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1875.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, January 23, 1875.

ORDERED, That the Secretary of the Senate publish the usual Journal of proceedings

Read and passed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

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STATE OF MAINE.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, January 6, 1875. }

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Maine, the Senators elect to the Fifty-Fourth Legislature convened in the Senate Chamber, and were called to order by SAMUEL W. LANE, Esq., Secretary of the Senate of 1874.

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

The following communication was read by the Secretary :

STATE OF MAINE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, January 6, 1875. }

To the Secretary of the Senate :

In compliance with section 21, chapter 2 of the revised statutes, I hereby certify that the following are the names and *residences of the Senators elect to the Fifty-Fourth Legislature, as appears by the report of the Governor and Council, under date of October 1, A. D. 1874. *2

[L. S.] In testimony whereof I have caused the seal of the State to be hereunto affixed at Augusta, this sixth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

GEORGE G. STACY,
Secretary of State.

*The figures in the margin marked * refer to the corresponding pages of the original Journal.

The roll of Senators elect accompanying the foregoing communication was called by the Secretary of the Senate, as follows :

FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT—YORK.

JOHN HALL, North Berwick,
BENJAMIN F. HANSON, Sanford,
IVORY LORD, Saco.

SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT—CUMBERLAND.

WILLIAM W. CROSS, Bridgton,
CHARLES H. HASKELL, Portland.

[NOTE.—The official roll shows two vacancies from this district. The Senate subsequently declared William Goold of Windham, and Samuel A. Holbrook of Freeport, to have been duly elected.]

THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT—OXFORD.

ENOCH FOSTER, JR., Bethel,
JOHN P. SWASEY, Canton.

FOURTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—ANDROSCOGGIN.

WILLIAM H. ROUNDS, Minot,
EDMUND RUSSELL, Lewiston.

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* FIFTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—FRANKLIN.

ALBION DYER, Strong.

SIXTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—SAGadahoc.

THOMAS W. HYDE, Bath.

SEVENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—KENNEBEC.

EDMUND F. WEBB, Waterville,
ALBERT G. FRENCH, Fayette.

EIGHTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—SOMERSET.

ABEL PRESCOTT, Canaan,
WILLIAM H. STEVENS, New Portland.

NINTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—PISCATAQUIS.

JAMES FOSS, Abbot.

TENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—PENOBSCOT.

JOAB W. PALMER, Bangor,
GEORGE CUTLER, Medway,
JOHN MORRISON, Corinth,
GEORGE R. THURLOUGH, Newburg.

ELEVENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—LINCOLN.

FREDERICK KENT, Bremen.

TWELFTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—KNOX.

EDWARD CUSHING, Camden.

THIRTEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—WALDO.

FRED ATWOOD, Winterport,
E. P. RICHARDSON, Knox.

FOURTEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—HANCOCK.

*LUCILIUS A. EMERY, Ellsworth,
JOSEPH T. HINCKLEY, Bluehill.

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FIFTEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—WASHINGTON.

WILLIAM J. CORTHELL, Calais,
SAMUEL N. CAMPBELL, Cherryfield.

SIXTEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT—AROOSTOOK.

JOHN P. DONWORTH, Houlton.

And a quorum of Senators elect responded to their names, the whole number named in the foregoing roll, twenty-nine Senators, being present.

On motion by Mr. RUSSELL,

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. Russell 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.

The Governor and suite then withdrew.

On motion by Mr. DYER,

*5 * Messrs. Dyer of Franklin,
 Cushing of Knox,
 Atwood of Waldo,

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
Edmund F. Webb has.....	25
Charles H. Haskell.....	3

The report was accepted, and Hon. Edmund F. Webb was declared duly elected President of the Senate for the current political year.

Mr. Webb was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Haskell of Cumberland and Mr. Foster of Oxford, and thereupon addressed the Senate as follows :

SENATORS,—Accept my thanks for the honor conferred by your favor. In entering upon the duties of this office, I ask your generous forbearance and coöperation, and I pledge to you a faithful and impartial administration of your rules. We are here to legislate for an intelligent people, living in a progressive age, who expect at our hands such laws as shall quicken their prosperity and advance the interests of the State. Legislative corruption, which hangs like clouds of gloom and darkness over the capitals of many of the States, has never entered our own; but it is our duty to guard against combinations and association, under whatever plausible character, that may become potent engines, in the hands of cunning men, to subvert the will of the people, and promote private instead of public interest.

Senators, I am ready to proceed with business.

* On motion by Mr. CROSS,

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Messrs. Cross of Cumberland,
Cutler of Penobscot,
Swasey of Oxford,

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	27
Necessary for a choice.....	14
Samuel W. Lane has	25
Thomas A. Carr.....	2

The report was accepted, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., 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 by Mr. EMERY,

That Senator was directed by the President to conduct the Secretary elect to the Council Chamber for the purpose of taking and subscribing the necessary oaths to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

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

Whereupon the Secretary, Mr. Lane, entered upon the discharge of his official duties.

SAMUEL W. LANE,
Secretary of the Senate of 1874.

* On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

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Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,
Hyde of Sagadahoc,
Richardson of Waldo,

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	27
Necessary for a choice	14
Gardner F. Danforth has	25
Henry Hudson, Jr	2

The report was accepted, and Gardner F. Danforth of Bangor was declared duly elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Danforth appeared and took and subscribed the oaths of office, before Samuel W. Lane, Esq., Secretary of the Senate, authorized by *dedimus potestatem*.

On motion by Mr. HANSON,
Messrs. Hanson of York,
Corthell of Washington,
Stevens of Somerset,

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	28
Necessary for a choice	15
James H. Banks has	25
John K. Hooper	3

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

*8 *On motion by Mr. FOSS,
Messrs. Foss of Piscataquis,
Hinckley of Hancock,
Thurlough of Penobscot,

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	26
Necessary for a choice	14
Benjamin F. Stevens has	26

The report was accepted, and Benjamin F. Stevens of Dixmont was declared duly elected Assistant Messenger of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. HALL,
Messrs. Hall of York,
French of Kennebec,
Donworth of Aroostook,

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

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

Whole number of votes is	23
Necessary for a choice	12
James Pattee has	23

The report was accepted, and James Pattee of Jackson was declared duly elected Folder of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

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. Edmund F. Webb as President and *Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary. *9

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

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. Edmund F. Webb as President and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Talbot of East Machias, informing the Senate that the House is duly organized by the choice of Hon. William W. Thomas, Jr., of Portland, as Speaker, and Sumner J. Chadbourne, Esq., of Dixmont, as Clerk.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Messenger be directed to have open wood fires kept in the two fire places in the Senate Chamber during the session.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

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 by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of 1874 be the Rules and Orders of this Senate until otherwise ordered.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare the usual

- *10 Senate Register, and that five hundred *copies be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. FOSS,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish to each Senator, and the officers of the Senate, and the Chaplains, one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal, and one other daily paper published in this State, such as each Senator or officer may select.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish each member and officer of the Senate one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1874.

On motion by Mr. FOSS,

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 by Mr. HANSON,

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Joint Rules and Orders of 1874 be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature until otherwise ordered

Sent down for concurrence.

Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to place in the hands of the Secretary of the Senate, for the use of the Senate, four copies of the Revised Statutes.

Mr. CUSHING presented the following:

- *11 **Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be requested to place in the hands of the Secretary of the Senate, for the use of the Senate, one copy of Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer, one copy each of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary and Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary, one copy of Cushing's Manual, and one copy of the Holy Bible.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by adding the following: "And that the same be returned to the

office of the Secretary of State at the close of the session of the Legislature."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

A communication was received from Hon. George G. Stacy, Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Senators for the current political year.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

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

And Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,
Foster of Oxford,
Hinckley of Hancock,
Cross of Cumberland,
Hall of York,
Kent of Lincoln,
Cushing of Knox,

were appointed said Committee.

A communication was received from Hon. George *G. *12 Stacy, Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Governor for the current political year, which was read and sent down.

The following order was received from the House :

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 one from each county, on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join.

This order came up read and passed, with

Messrs. Tefft of Brewer,
Wagg of Auburn,
Hoyt of Fort Fairfield,
McIntire of Pownal,
Butler of Avon,
Grindle of Mt. Desert,
Burpee of Rockland,
Mitchell of Gardiner,
Montgomery of Boothbay,

Messrs. Whitcomb of Norway,
Lane of Monson,
Purinton of Bowdoin,
Moody of New Portland,
Treat of Winterport,
Allan of Dennysville,
Shapleigh of Elliot,

appointed on the part of the House.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The following were joined on the part of the Senate :

Messrs. Haskell of Cumberland,
Dyer of Franklin,
Campbell of Washington,

*13 *Prescott of Somerset,
Atwood of Waldo,
Hyde of Sagadahoc,
Morrison of Penobscot.

On motion by Mr. DYER,

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

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate, at 8 minutes past 12 o'clock, meridian, adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1875. *14

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

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

The Committee to whom was referred the Gubernatorial Votes of 1874, for examination and report, having attended to that duty ask leave to report as follows:

Whole number of votes returned is.....	95,300
Necessary for a choice.....	47,651
Nelson Dingley, Jr., has.....	50,865
Nelson Dingley.....	2,093
Joseph Titcomb.....	41,898
Joseph Titcom.....	43
Joseph H. Williams.....	22
Scattering.....	379

And Nelson Dingley, Jr., having received a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the current political year.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

* *Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed on the *15 part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to wait upon Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

And Messrs. Hyde of Sagadahoc,

Emery of Hancock,

Cushing of Knox,

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. Wilson of Bangor,
Talbot of East Machias,
Barron of Topsham,
True of Portland,
Cobb of Lewiston,
North of Augusta,
Keegan of Madawaska.

Mr. HYDE, 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 by Mr. ROUNDS,

That Senator was charged with a message to the House of Representatives, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at 11 *16 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of *administering to Hon.

Nelson Dingley, Jr., Governor elect, the oaths of office, and receiving such communication as he may be pleased to make, and asking the concurrence of the House.

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. Nelson Dingley, Jr., Governor elect, the oaths of office, having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER of the Senate,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., 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 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. GEORGE G. STACY, 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 Nelson Dingley, Jr., and that he is duly elected, and he having, in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office, I therefore declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that NELSON DINGLEY, Jr., 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 *17 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 :

Standing at the threshold of a new year, and confronted with grave public responsibilities, it is fitting that we should seek Divine guidance in the discharge of the duties respectively imposed upon us. For the abundance of the necessities and comforts of life, the general health, the uninterrupted peace and

good order, and the intellectual and moral influences with which we, as a people, have been favored during the past year, there is occasion for devout gratitude and thankfulness.

In laying before you the information required by the Constitution, it affords me gratification to be able to present so favorable a report of the financial, educational and other important interests of the State. So far as I am aware, every department has been conducted with fidelity, integrity and prudence, and with the single purpose of promoting the public welfare. I need not remind you, upon whom devolves the responsibility of authorizing and directing public expenditures, that, in the present depression of business, there is special and urgent necessity that every appropriation should receive the most rigid scrutiny. So far as my limited authority may reach, I shall most earnestly endeavor to apply the same economy, fidelity and scrutiny to public expenditures that a prudent business man would apply to his own affairs.

THE STATE FINANCES.

Considering the gigantic burdens imposed upon the people of Maine, as well as of every other loyal State, by the war for the preservation of national existence, the financial condition of *18 this State is more favorable than could have been *reasonably expected. It appears by the report of the State Treasurer that the aggregate receipts of the treasury during the past year, including cash on hand at the beginning of the year, were \$1,853,904.38, and the disbursements during the same period \$1,537,718.54, leaving a balance of \$322,185.84 in the treasury January 1st, 1875.

Of the receipts, \$1,169,862 was from the State tax of five mills on the dollar, \$67,996 from public lands, \$142,258 from the tax on savings banks, (about \$72,000 of this tax being still unpaid,) \$13,828 from the tax on railroads, \$3,889 from interest on deposits, \$2,240 from duties on commissions, \$1,749 from licenses to peddlers, and \$1,422 from insurance department.

Of the disbursements, \$5,176 were on account of rents of shores belonging to the Penobscot Indians, and \$8,065 on account of taxes assessed on wild lands for the benefit of counties—sums which simply passed through the treasury—leaving the actual disbursements \$1,524,497. Of this amount, \$81,900 were paid on

account of special and exceptional appropriations for rebuilding the carriage shop in the State Prison, re-arranging and repairing the Reform School building, finishing the chapel building connected with the Insane Hospital, ventilating the State House, building roads and bridges mainly in Aroostook county, and in aid of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Maine General Hospital, and Industrial School for Girls.

Thus, after deducting these special appropriations, the expenditures of the past year appear to have been \$1,442,597. Of this amount, \$714,426 was on account of war debt, pensions to soldiers, and aid to soldiers' orphans, and \$407,477 on account of public and free high and normal schools, with a considerable sum still due on account of educational purposes. The ordinary expenditures, therefore, during the past year, have been \$320,694, or a little less than one and a half mills on the dollar of the State valuation. While this statement indicates that the expenditures of the State are controlled by considerations of economy to an extent rarely observed in public affairs, yet in my judgment there are some directions in which the expenditures authorized by law may be somewhat reduced without injury to the public interests. On this subject I shall communicate with the legislature at an early day.

THE STATE DEBT.

On the first of January, 1875, the State debt, after deducting the sinking funds, was \$5,561,076—a reduction of \$321,575 during the past year. The nominal public debt, however, as represented by uncanceled State bonds, was \$7,088,400—a reduction of \$50,000 during the same period, by the payment and cancellation of the loan to this amount which matured March 1st, 1874. The balance of the amount set apart for the reduction of the public debt (\$271,575,) has been paid to the sinking funds, which now amount to \$1,527,324. The aggregate payments from the treasury, on account of the State debt, during the past year, were \$679,558, of which \$352,959 was for interest, \$321,575 for maturing debt and sinking funds, and \$5,024 for premium on bonds purchased and expenses; although, under the sinking fund system a larger proportion than this is assigned to the interest account. As existing laws require a similar payment every year, on account of the public debt, an annual assessment of three mills on every

dollar of the State valuation is rendered necessary for this purpose. At the close of the present year, when the tax assessed for 1874 shall have been applied to the objects for which it was contemplated, the State debt will be reduced to about \$5,220,000.

Thus, in ten years nearly seven million dollars have been paid by the people of Maine on account of the State debt—nearly three millions being for reduction of principal and four millions on account of interest. Should the present rate of taxation be continued, the balance of this immense war debt would be extinguished in fourteen years from this date. Thus the same generation that met the personal responsibilities of the terrible contest to preserve the national existence, would also be called upon to bear all the financial burdens which it imposed upon the State, amounting in the aggregate to more than twenty millions of dollars, exclusive of burdens borne in contributions to the national treasury. Surely others, who are to share the fruits of a struggle which has scarcely a parallel in history, though they cannot participate in the terrible sacrifice of blood, will esteem it a privilege, as well as a duty, to aid in discharging the pecuniary liabilities which it entailed on the country.

So long as business was conducted on the speculative basis which it assumed during and immediately after the war, and profits were supposed to be unusually large, it was wise to take advantage of the opportunity to rapidly reduce the public debt. But in the present financial condition of the country, and indeed in the near future when business shall have resumed its normal state, so large an annual assessment as is required by existing laws, can but be severely felt. Should the legislature consider it advisable to reduce the assessment on account of the public debt to two mills, the proceeds would meet the interest on the outstanding debt, and extinguish the municipal war loan of 1868, which matures October 1, 1889, and which cannot be renewed without an amendment of the constitutional provision by which it was authorized.

The remainder of the outstanding loans, constituting about one-half of the public debt, mature mainly in 1880, 1883, and June, 1889, and as they are subject to no constitutional limits as to time of payment, they may be renewed by the legislature. Should it be deemed expedient to authorize such a renewal, I suggest that the new bonds be made payable in sums of \$200,000 annually,

commencing with 1890, in order that the necessity of a sinking fund may be avoided; and that they be issued only as, by exchange or sale and purchase, they can *be substituted for *21 bonds of at least an equal amount of the loans which they renew. As a long bond is a more desirable investment than one maturing earlier, the treasurer would undoubtedly have no difficulty in substituting the new for the old loans, long before the latter should mature.

THE SINKING FUNDS.

To provide for the payment of the war loans of nearly four millions, negotiated in 1863 and 1864, at their maturity in 1880, 1883, and June, 1889, the legislature in 1865 directed an annual assessment of three-fourths of a mill on every dollar of State valuation, and set apart the sum so paid and the income thereof, as a sinking fund, to be invested in bonds of this State or of the United States. This is known as the sinking fund of 1865, which now, including premium on United States bonds and cash amounts to \$1,047,087. Again, to provide for the payment of the municipal war debt loan of \$3,083,900, negotiated in 1868, at its maturity October 1, 1889, the legislature in 1868 directed another annual assessment to be made sufficient for that purpose, and set apart the sum so raised in a similar manner. This is known as the sinking fund of 1868, which now amounts to \$480,237. Both funds aggregate \$1,527,324, of which \$1,443,300 is invested in State bonds, and \$83,300, including premium, in bonds of the United States.

Obviously nothing is gained by a sinking fund, except so far as it may be rendered necessary where a public debt has been contracted so as to mature in larger sums than can be provided for by taxation in any one year. There is nothing in the machinery of a sinking fund which can add a single dollar to the amount paid by the people through taxation, on account of the public debt. On the contrary, it is a complicated and by no means economical financial device, having in it the elements of insecurity; and should be avoided whenever feasible. * By authority of an *22 act of the last legislature, this insecurity has been guarded against in the case of the sinking funds of this State, so far as possible; but experience shows that so long as such funds exist there is some danger of their misappropriation.

Under the acts creating the sinking funds of this State, by which investments can be made only in bonds of Maine and of the United States, another difficulty has manifested itself during the past year, and is likely to increase from year to year. Under the influence of frequent purchase of bonds of this State for the sinking funds, their market price has advanced so that it is now impossible to obtain our securities without paying from one to two per cent. premium. This may be a good thing for the holders of Maine bonds, but hardly just to the tax payers who faithfully discharge every obligation when they provide means for payment of State bonds at their par value. If either or both of the sinking funds are to be continued—and the sinking fund of 1868 cannot be entirely dispensed with without an amendment of the constitution that will admit of a renewal of the municipal war debt loan which it was created to meet,—I recommend that the last difficulty to which I have referred be obviated so far as possible by authorizing the treasurer to make investments also in the securities of other New England States.

Should the legislature concur with me in the advisability of renewing that part of the public debt maturing on or before June, 1889, the sinking fund of 1865 may be abolished, the State bonds in the same cancelled, and the small amount of U. S. bonds in the fund transferred to the sinking fund of 1868. All the State bonds in the latter sinking fund may also be cancelled, together with all the bonds of this State maturing in October, 1889, which may hereafter be purchased. Thus there will remain in the sinking fund of 1868 only \$83,300 in United States securities, to be increased hereafter by such purchases of similar securities or of bonds of other New England States as may be rendered necessary by the inability to obtain bonds of this State at par. The probability indeed is * that by such an arrangement not only the sinking fund of 1865 can be abolished, but also, by an exchange of securities which would be feasible when bonds of our State are no higher than of the other New England States, the maintenance of the sinking fund of 1868, in even a modified form, be rendered unnecessary.

THE RAILROAD TAX.

By requirement of an act of the last legislature, the governor and council have assessed a tax on the franchise of the following

railroad corporations, incorporated under the laws of this State or doing business therein :

Atlantic and St. Lawrence.....	\$30,078 84
Boston and Maine	26,342 25
Maine Central.....	23,416 47
Portland, Saco and Portsmouth.....	22,428 00
Dexter and Newport.....	1,189 50
Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway.....	510 00
St. Croix and Penobscot.....	210 27
Portland Horse Railroad.....	894 00

This tax aggregates \$105,069.33, and according to the terms of the act, has been assessed on railroad companies whose stock has a market value. That portion of the tax which represents stock held in this State—about two-fifths—goes to municipalities, and the remainder, representing non-resident stock, goes to the State.

By the terms of the act one-half of the tax was payable July 1st, 1874, and the balance January 1st, 1875. The St. Croix and Penobscot Company paid the whole of the tax assessed on this corporation before it became due. The Portland Horse Railroad Company also paid the assessment on this corporation in a satisfactory manner. The Boston and Maine Company also promptly paid that part of the tax on this corporation which fell due July 1st; and, in a note to the State Treasurer, the President of the company has indicated a readiness to also pay that part of the tax which fell due January 1st, as soon as the directors shall be assured that the tax on the other corporations assessed is to be enforced. The *Dexter and Newport Company appeared by *24 their attorney before the governor and council to urge a claim for exemption from taxation in consequence of a provision in their charter which will hereafter be referred to, and also by virtue of a special act of the legislature in 1867, exempting the shares of stock in the corporation from assessment.

Neither of the other companies has paid any part of the tax assessed upon them, or given any explanation for non-payment. From unofficial sources it has been ascertained that the Atlantic and St. Lawrence and Maine Central companies claim that a clause in their charters exempts them from all taxation, until the directors of the corporation shall report to the legislature that the net income of the company is "ten per cent. on the cost of the road

and its appendages, and incidental expenses," (which report has not been and is not likely to be made) and even then that the only assessment on the corporation shall be a limited tax on the net income of the road above said ten per cent. So far as the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth, and the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway companies are concerned, no reason has been even unofficially intimated for their refusal to pay the tax assessed.

The act relating to taxation of railroad companies provides that "if any corporation fails to pay the tax assessed, the State Treasurer may forthwith commence an action of contract in the name of the State for the recovery of the same, with interest." By advice of the attorney general, concurred in by the executive council and myself, the treasurer has deferred commencing actions against the delinquent companies for the taxes due the State, until the legislature can have an opportunity to provide a method of enforcement of a tax assessed by State authority as prompt and effective as is given to municipalities for the collection of local assessments, and as other States have authorized for the collection of a similar tax on railroads. The remedy provided by the act would necessarily postpone the payment of a single dollar of the tax assessed on the railroad companies, until the legal points raised *25 by those corporations *should be finally settled by the court of last resort, which might cause a delay of several years. As it is competent for the Legislature to enlarge the remedy without impairing the validity of the tax already assessed, I recommend the immediate passage of an act amendatory of section third of chapter 258 of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, which shall authorize the Supreme Judicial Court, on information by the Treasurer of State, to issue an injunction restraining the further prosecution of the business of any delinquent railroad corporation, after reasonable notice, until all taxes due under the act shall be paid, with interest and costs.

It is certainly surprising that any railroad company should refuse to pay so light a tax, when it is unquestionably in the power of the legislature to authorize municipalities to make the same assessment upon the real estate of the corporation that is made on other property, which in the case of all the companies assessed under the act of 1874, would be at least twice, and in the cases of several companies, from four to eight times as large as the tax whose payment is refused. And even such an assessment would

be just and equal, for taxation proceeds upon the principle of the well-settled maxim that he who receives the protection and advantages of a State, ought to sustain the burdens in proportion to his ability. Certainly railroad corporations created, protected and given extraordinary powers and privileges by the State, ought to willingly contribute to the public expenses in proportion to their property. To whatever extent they escape just and equal taxation, to that extent every other tax-payer must bear more than his share of the public burdens.

It is claimed, however, that several railroad corporations assessed under the act of the last legislature, are legally exempted from the just obligation to bear their proportion of public expenditures, by a provision of their charters, that is alleged to be in the nature of a contract. The character of this provision, and the circumstances under which it was introduced, conclusively show, as it seems to me, that there was no intention on the part of the legislature which *granted the charter, to more than tempo- *26 rarily exempt the corporations from taxation. If it had been supposed that the provision was so contrived as to exempt such corporations from all taxation for at least a quarter of a century, and practically for an indefinite period if not forever, no one believes that it would have received the least favor. There certainly can be no further equitable claim under so remarkable a charter exemption. Neither do I believe that there can be any substantial claim for exemption in law; for any provision in a charter which pretends to exempt a corporation from taxation, must be held to be void—first because it is not in the power of one legislature to bind successive legislatures not to exercise in behalf of the people so essential a sovereign power as the right to impose a tax, and secondly because such a provision is in contravention of the constitution of Maine, which declares that “all taxes upon real estate, assessed by authority of this State, shall be apportioned and assessed equally, according to the just value thereof.”

TAX ON INSURANCE COMPANIES.

An act of the last legislature requires the State Treasurer, between the first day of April and the first day of May annually, to assess a tax of two per cent. on the premiums received by insurance companies on contracts made in this State for the insurance of life or property during the year ending the 31st of December

next previous, after deducting the losses paid and certain other items; and in the case of life companies, after deducting also the legal reserve on policies issued in this State during the year. A careful examination of this act, the first assessment under which will be made in April next, will probably suggest the importance of amendments in order to remove all doubts as to the construction of certain provisions, and to more effectually accomplish the object which the legislature had in view. As the returns of insurance companies for the year ending December 31, 1874, have not yet *27 been received by the Insurance Commissioner, * and especially as some deductions of a very uncertain, and it seems to me unwise character, are allowed under the act, it is impossible at present to even approximately estimate the revenue which will accrue to the State from this source. For the year ending December 31st, 1873, the excess of premiums received over losses paid in this State, was a little more than one million dollars, about three-fifths of which was on account of life companies; but the returns for that year afford little light as to the probable amount of deductions to be made under the act.

Of the twenty-seven States which tax the business of life insurance, and of the thirty-two which tax the business of fire and marine insurance companies—on the just principle that whoever is protected by the State should contribute towards the public expenditures,—scarcely one of them imposes so light an assessment as that provided by this act. Undoubtedly so moderate an exercise of the just and necessary power of taxation, will lead to a corresponding moderation in claims for deductions, and to a prompt response to the requirements of the act. The license fees imposed by the statute on insurance brokers and on foreign insurance companies—and nearly nine-tenths of the insurance business of Maine is done by out-of-State companies—are so meagre as to fail to meet the expenditures of the insurance department and leave a fair balance to go into the State Treasury, as was intended; inasmuch as the balance now paid into the treasury fails to meet the payments by the State for the printing of the department. I recommend, therefore, that these fees be moderately increased.

EQUALIZING BURDENS OF TAXATION.

While it is incumbent on legislators to restrict the State expenditures within the narrowest limits consistent with a due regard

to the public welfare, it is at the same time their duty to seek to so distribute and equalize the heavy taxation growing *out of *28 the war for national existence, as to avoid making the burden fall in undue degree on those employments and productive industries on which the prosperity of the State so largely depends. Without such a radical reformation as will lead all men to be honest and truthful in rendering statements of their property, it is of course impossible to devise any system of taxation which will be absolutely equal; as capital which is represented by stocks, bonds, loans and currency, cannot be reached by the assessor as readily as that invested in farms, houses, stores, mills, work-shops, ships, and other visible property. At the same time, this liability to inequality should be corrected so far as it is possible. So far as capital is invested directly or indirectly in banking, railroad, telegraph, express and insurance business, it may be and should be reached. The last legislature inaugurated steps in the right direction with reference to a part of these interests. I earnestly hope that you will continue to press forward measures looking to such a system of taxation as will tend to equalize the public burdens. In my judgment, it is possible—certainly so with an amendment of the State constitution—to ultimately provide for all expenditures for State purposes by a just tax on national and savings banks, railroad, insurance, telegraph, and express companies, wild lands, and a few other interests, without assessing a single dollar on the several towns and cities.

REVENUE FOR THE PRESENT YEAR.

Under the practice which has always prevailed in the Treasury Department, of distributing the State funds in moderate sums in banks located at convenient points in the State, without charging or receiving anything for the use of the same, the State has received only the small revenue derived from deposits in Boston, where most of the interest on the State debt has been paid. I see no reason why the cash balances in the hands of the Treasurer, averaging \$250,000, should not all be deposited *in such *29 banks as are willing to pay a moderate interest for the use of the same; and I recommend legislation to this end.

Under existing laws the tax on shares in National Banks owned out of the State, goes to the municipalities where the banks are located. There seems to be eminent propriety in having the tax

on such non-resident shares go into the State treasury for the benefit of all the people of the State, as is the case in Massachusetts and Rhode Island; and I recommend legislation to this end. Should the legislature think it expedient to impose a tax on the receipts of express companies and on the property of telegraph companies, additional State revenue could be derived from these sources. It may be reasonably expected that the revenue derived from these sources, and from Savings Banks and public lands, during the current year, will be equivalent to the amount that will be required to meet the ordinary current State expenditures.

There will then remain to be provided for by taxation a sum equivalent to the appropriations on account of the public debt, and for public and free high school purposes—about two mills on the dollar of the State valuation for schools, and a similar assessment on account of the public debt in case it shall be decided to renew a portion of the loans, and otherwise three mills. Could reliance be placed on the prompt payment of the tax on railroads and insurance companies during the year, a State tax of three and a half mills on the dollar, instead of four, would be sufficient to meet all State expenditures,—a reduction of one and a half mills from that of last year, which would extend gratifying relief to the people of the State.

THE EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS OF THE STATE.

The statistics presented in the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, unmistakably indicate a gradual improvement in the educational interests of the State. Notwithstanding there has been no material change in the census number of scholars, yet the number of pupils registered during the past year, the average attendance, the average length of the schools, the number of *30 *school-houses in good condition, and the amount of school money voted by municipalities, as well as that distributed by the State, for school purposes, have all materially increased. During the past decade the amount of money appropriated per scholar for school purposes has been doubled, the compensation of male teachers increased fifty per cent., and of female teachers nearly one hundred per cent., and the length of schools ten per cent., while the quality of the instruction has greatly improved. Ten years since there was no normal school in the State; now there are two in successful operation. A decade since the permanent

school fund, now increased to \$361,893, was less than half that sum. Within that period the amount of money distributed to municipalities by the State for common school purposes has been increased from less than fifty thousand dollars to more than three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, and including the amount contributed by the State for free high schools and normal schools, to more than four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars; and will reach the present year more than four hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Of the aggregate expenditures for public school purposes, about three-fifths are paid by municipalities and two-fifths by the State,—whereas ten or fifteen years since nearly all was paid by municipalities.

The free high school system adopted two years since, has been more successful than its most ardent friends dared to hope, and promises to exert a still greater influence for good in the future. During the past year 161 towns have maintained 340 terms of free high schools, giving instruction to about 14,000 pupils, at a cost of not far from \$100,000, of which a little less than \$40,000 will be contributed by the State.

Probably the legislature will not consider it prudent, under existing circumstances, to take any steps at the present session looking to the establishment of a system of school supervision intermediate between the State Superintendent and the several School Committees. The best interests of the State, however, * unquestionably demand the early inauguration of such a *31 system of school supervision and inspection as will give increased efficiency to our public schools. It is not so much more school money that is needed, as it is a more systematic and profitable use of the means now devoted to this vital interest. Our Normal Schools are doing most valuable service for the State in furnishing the common schools with trained teachers; and these institutions should receive generous consideration at the hands of the legislature. A proposition from the Trustees of Bridgton Academy, offering to transfer to the State the property of that institution, on condition that it be used for Normal School purposes, I am informed, will be presented for your consideration.

In the judgment of many of our best educators, the time has arrived for this State to enact a law making attendance upon some school a certain portion of the year obligatory upon children between the ages of eight and fourteen years. In my annual

address one year since, in view of the dangerous increase of illiteracy among certain classes of the population, I urged the justice and importance of an enactment of this character whenever public sentiment should be advanced sufficiently to secure its enforcement to any considerable extent. The discussions which have taken place on this question within a year or two, have certainly aroused public attention to the danger which threatens free institutions from the increasing ranks of ignorance; and the indications are so hopeful that such an enactment would not be suffered to remain a dead letter, but would on the contrary prove in many cases an instrument for good, that I commend the important subject to your favorable consideration.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS.

The report of the Trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts represents that institution as rapidly increasing its number of students and its usefulness; and my own observation confirms these conclusions. The trustees ask for an appropriation of twenty-seven thousand dollars to meet current expenses *32 and outstanding liabilities, purchase apparatus, *erect a farm-house, and make preparation for the construction of another college building. There is no doubt that this sum is much needed the present year to put the institution in a condition of the highest usefulness, and that large sums beyond the interest of the fund derived from the national grant, will always be required from year to year, from some sources, in order to effectually carry out the object for which this college was established. When the legislature accepted the national grant, and thus became the sponsor of the new institution, it deviated from the wise and well-established policy of leaving the interests of the higher education to private liberality and care, supplemented by such occasional incidental State aid as might be needed to encourage individual effort. The reasons for this departure from a traditional policy, had their basis in a desire to take advantage of the liberal national grant, and more particularly in the belief of many eminent men that a new class of higher institutions of learning was needed, which should so direct their educational work as to turn out young men to be better farmers, carpenters, blacksmiths and artisans generally, instead of so generally graduating them for professional life.

While these considerations undoubtedly controlled the legislature, yet none of the most ardent advocates of the new departure imagined that they were establishing an institution which was to depend entirely on public appropriations for its support. It was supposed that while the new college would be an especial object of public regard, its principal support would come from private citizens. I regret, therefore, to observe a growing tendency to regard this institution as a child of the State, which needs no private aid or care. I regret this not simply from the fact that it will necessarily entail a large annual expenditure on the State Treasury, but also because I believe that it would be better for the college to bring itself into such close sympathy with the people as can only be secured by relying largely on private contributions to further its work.

*STATE INSTITUTIONS.

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The reports of the Trustees of the Insane Hospital and Reform School, and of the Inspectors of the State Prison, show that these State institutions are in an unusually favorable condition.

THE INSANE HOSPITAL.

The Hospital continues to be in a very crowded condition, over 400 names appearing on the roll, notwithstanding the discharge of 47 incurable and imbecile patients, as directed by law. In accordance with a resolve of the last Legislature, the Governor and Council have finished the uncompleted and unused chapel building erected several years since, so as to furnish excellent accommodations for about forty patients, at an expense of \$4,200. The balance of the appropriation of \$5,000 has been turned over to the Trustees, for the purpose of aiding in furnishing the rooms. The Trustees ask for an appropriation of \$1,700 to complete the furnishing; and also one of \$2,000 for an additional boiler for heating purposes, and \$25,000 for a needed chapel, hall and culinary department, in the rear of the present hospital buildings.

The additional accommodations provided for patients will only temporarily meet the demand, and measures should be at once inaugurated looking to the early erection of another and separate hospital, either on the present grounds or at some other point in the State. Long before new buildings could be completed, addi-

tional accommodations will be imperative. It has been suggested that the United States Marine Hospital at Cape Elizabeth might be purchased by the State on very advantageous terms, and easily converted into a hospital for the treatment of the insane. It should be borne in mind that within twenty years the number of insane patients in our hospital has doubled—not because of an increase of insanity, but because of the constantly increasing disposition to place persons suffering from a diseased mind in some public hospital for treatment. The current expenditures of the hospital for the past year have been about \$100,000, about two-³⁴ fifths * of which are paid by the State and the balance by individuals and towns. Formerly towns and individuals paid nearly all the expense of patients, but within ten or fifteen years the laws have been gradually modified so as to throw a large proportion on the State.

THE REFORM SCHOOL.

In accordance with authority given by the last legislature, the Trustees have thoroughly re-arranged and repaired the south wing of the Reform School building, at a cost of about \$6,000, so as to admit of grading the boys into three sections. By this arrangement the better class of boys are not in danger of being corrupted by others of vicious tendencies, and an opportunity is given to encourage good conduct by promotions to a higher class and by allowing no discharges to be made except from the highest grade. Already has the healthy influence of this system been felt in the school, and inspired a well-founded hope that, by carrying out and extending the policy inaugurated, all the good results hoped for in such an institution will be attained. The Trustees ask for an appropriation of \$4,000 to re-arrange and repair the north wing, and thus complete the system inaugurated. The current annual expenditures of the Reform School are about \$14,000 in excess of receipts from the labor of the boys.

THE STATE PRISON.

The Inspectors report that the current expenses of the State Prison for 1874 have been \$30,904, and the net income from the manufacturing operations carried on by convict labor, \$28,019, leaving a balance of \$2,885 against the prison. This showing is hardly so favorable as for several previous years, but the Inspec-

tors think that it is as well as could have been reasonably expected considering the business depression and the fact that the fire in the prison one year since, and the building operations during a large part of the past year, have seriously interfered with the industrial operations of the prison. A new brick carriage shop, 180 feet long and 38 wide, with two stories wholly above ground, and three basement stories—to replace the old building destroyed by fire—* has been completed the past season at a cost of *\$35 \$22,000. The Inspectors ask for an appropriation of \$10,000 to meet the balance due on the cost of this building and the expenditures for the erection of a carpenter shop, and for repairs during the year. The prison is now in excellent condition, and for the first time fully prepared to advantageously carry on the industrial operations in which the convict labor is employed.

HOME FOR SOLDIERS' ORPHANS.

The Bath Home for orphan children of soldiers and sailors, to which an annual appropriation of \$10,000 has been made for several years, has fifty-five children under its care, and is deserving the continued assistance of the State.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The Industrial School for Girls, to which an appropriation of \$12,000 was made by the last legislature, is about to open with flattering prospects. The importance of such an institution, whose object it is to provide a home and healthy training for girls in danger of falling into evil ways, can hardly be overestimated; and it will doubtless receive from time to time such encouragement and substantial assistance as it may deserve.

MAINE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The Maine General Hospital at Portland, which the State has aided by large appropriations, has been opened for the reception of patients, and can but prove of great public service.

STATE CHARITIES.

The expenditures of the State for charitable and reformatory purposes have largely increased during the past twenty years, and afford evidence of the humane character of our people. About

\$38,000 have been expended in supporting the insane poor, about \$6,000 for support of paupers in unincorporated places, \$15,314 for education of deaf, dumb and blind children, \$12,553 for aid to the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians, (a part of which, however, is the interest of a trust fund guaranteed by the State,) \$14,000 for Reform School, \$12,500 for Industrial School for *36 Girls, *\$5,000 for increased accommodations for insane, \$6,000 for improvements in Reform School building, and \$25,000 for Maine General Hospital—an aggregate of \$114,367. In addition to this, \$12,000 has been expended to provide a home for children of deceased soldiers.

THE FISH COMMISSIONERS.

The report of the Fish Commissioners gives a valuable and interesting account of the efforts to re-stock our rivers and ponds with valuable fish. The expenditures of the Commissioners have been \$4,458.

STATE INSPECTORS OF STEAMBOATS.

Under the provisions of an act of the last legislature, the gentlemen who were acting as U. S. inspectors of steam vessels in Maine waters outside of the jurisdiction of this State, have been also appointed State inspectors; and have discharged their duties with fidelity and success. By an oversight of the last legislature, no appropriation was made for the compensation of these officers, and consequently they have not been paid.

THE STATE CENTENNIAL BOARD.

By authority of a resolve of the last legislature, a board of directors has been appointed to look after the interests of the State with reference to the proposed Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia in 1876, and to aid in promoting the success of the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the nation's existence.

THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The report of the Adjutant General shows that the Volunteer Militia of the State, comprising ten assigned and two unassigned companies of infantry and one battery of artillery, all having 918 enlisted men and 55 officers,—is generally in a good condition. The aggregate cost of supporting the military arm of the State,

has been nearly \$12,000, of which about one-half was for the State encampment at Bangor in September last.

The Adjutant General has also administered the pension department with rare fidelity and prudence. The payments from the State treasury to 632 pensioners, aggregate \$22,294.

* THE LAND DEPARTMENT.

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The report of the Land Agent gives a detailed account of the progress made in closing up the affairs of the land office. By authority of a resolve of the last legislature, such timber lands and rights to cut timber and grass as were not involved in the claims set up by the European and North American Railroad Company, were sold at public auction for the sum of \$145,553, a little more than one-third of which was paid in cash, and for the balance notes were given payable in one and two years. It was not thought expedient to sell any portion of the lands set apart for settlement until all questions affecting the title of the State to them should be finally settled. Most of these questions have been settled in favor of the State by a decision of the court rendered during the past year; and agreement has been entered into by the State authorities and the European and North American Railroad Company, by which the remaining controverted questions are to be immediately submitted to the court for settlement.

This will open the way for such a disposition of the 146,000 acres of vacant public lands set apart for settlement as may seem wise. It is estimated that not over 40,000 acres of the lands thus set apart are suitable for settlement, and that the remaining 100,000 acres are mainly valuable for timber. I recommend that these lands be examined early next season, and that such portions as are unfit for settlement, together with such other inconsiderable tracts of timber lands as may prove to be owned by the State, be sold. Whatever disposition may be made of the vacant State lands suitable for settlement, it seems to me highly important that nothing should be done to retard their conversion into cultivated farms. Indeed, it is desirable that you should inquire whether any measures can be devised to further encourage the settlement of wild lands held by proprietors, of which about 9,000,000 acres are owned by individuals, and 734,000 acres by the European and North American Railroad Company. It may be well to bear in mind

that most of these lands are located in unincorporated town-
*38 ships, and are * subject to only about one-fourth of the assessment imposed on capital invested in improved lands and other property in incorporated places, in consequence of being taxed only for State and county purposes, and on a valuation, too, of only about five millions of dollars. This alone, it will be seen, is practically an indirect encouragement for capitalists to hold these lands as a permanent investment and discourage the opening of them to settlers.

A resolve of the last legislature provided for the abolition of the office of Land Agent and also for a discontinuance of the land office at Bangor and a removal of the books and papers to Augusta at the close of the year just passed. The Bangor office has been discontinued and the books and papers removed, as contemplated by the resolve. But as the office of Land Agent is thought by some to be created by the constitution, it is questioned whether its abolition can be effected only by an amendment of that instrument.

SWEDISH AND FRENCH SETTLERS.

The Land Agent makes a favorable report of the conditions and prospects of the Swedish colony. About \$1,000 have been expended by the State in supporting a school in the colony, and in aiding several needy families of Swedes under the law relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated places. It is believed that their condition has improved so much the past year that they will hereafter require little assistance. There are several families of Swedes which by some oversight were located by the State authorities in Woodland and Perham, where they have of course been assessed the same as other persons for the past two years, notwithstanding the pledge that they should be exempt from taxation till January, 1876. The amount of this tax is small; but as the faith of the State is pledged, I recommend an appropriation sufficient to cover the assessment.

The attention of the legislature is also directed to the unfortunate *39 condition of a large number of citizens of French descent in the Madawaska territory, who occupy humble homes which they have made for themselves on lands that prove to be owned by proprietors instead of the State. Whatever relief can be afforded by the judicious intervention of the legislature, ought not to be withheld.

THE LAW DEPARTMENT.

The report of the Attorney General presents a valuable and interesting record of the success which has attended the administration of the criminal laws of the State during the past year. The suggestions which he makes relative to certain amendments of these laws, will doubtless receive that consideration which their importance demands.

ENFORCEMENT OF PROHIBITORY LAWS.

The Attorney General embodies in his report communications from the several county attorneys, furnishing important official statements and statistics relating to the enforcement of the laws prohibiting drinking-houses and tippling-shops. The statistics show that during the past year, in the Supreme Court alone, there have been 276 convictions, 41 commitments to jail and \$30,898 collected in fines under these laws—more of each than in any other year, and four times as many convictions and ten times as much in fines as in 1866, when the general enforcement of these laws was resumed after the close of the war, which had engrossed the public attention and energies. It is significant also that during these nine or ten years of gradually increasing efficiency in the enforcement of the laws against dram-shops, the number of convicts in the State Prison has fallen off more than one-fourth.

The report of the Attorney General and the statistics accompanying, conclusively show that the laws prohibiting drinking-houses and tippling-shops have for the most part been enforced during the past year more generally and effectively than ever before, and with corresponding satisfactory results in the diminution of dram-shops and intemperance. These results are due, to a considerable extent, to the increased efficiency given *to these *40 laws by the sheriff enforcement act, but more especially to the improved temperance sentiment which has been created by the active moral efforts put forth in this State within a few years. Experience has shown that however faithful officers may strive to be, their permanent success in the enforcement of any laws, and particularly laws opposed by unprincipled avarice and debased appetite, will largely depend on the strength and activity of the public sentiment which supports the object they have in view, in the several counties and municipalities. It is gratifying to know

that this sentiment has become so predominant as to secure the very general suppression of known dram-shops, and the consequent marked mitigation of the evils of intemperance in four-fifths of the State. In the remainder of the State, comprising some of the larger cities and villages, the results are not so satisfactory, although even there, as compared with the condition thirty years since, there has been an improvement.

I am happy to bear witness to the fidelity and efficiency with which most of the sheriffs and county attorneys—for the latter officers are as important in this work as the former—have labored to enforce the laws against dram-shops, as well as other laws of the State, as required by the act of 1872, and as directed by special orders of the Executive. No case has been presented to me involving such a “wilful refusal or neglect” on the part of any officer, as would probably afford ground for the legislature to cite him before that body for trial with a view to removal by address; although it has seemed to me that on the part of a few officers there has been a failure to do all in their power to secure the enforcement of the law in their respective counties. As sheriffs and county attorneys are not appointed or removable by the Executive—as they formerly were, and as it seems to me they should now be, in order to secure the highest efficiency in the execution of the laws,—but are elected by the people of the several counties,

it is of the utmost importance that those voters who believe
*41 that the public interests will be *promoted by a suppression of dram-shops, should endeavor to secure the election of officers who will efficiently discharge all the duties imposed upon them by law. At the same time it should be borne in mind that the primary duty of enforcing the laws against dram-shops, gambling-saloons and houses of ill-fame, rests on the officers of municipalities. It is of the highest importance that the large police force which is constantly maintained in cities, and which can enforce the laws much more efficiently than the smaller number of local deputy sheriffs, should be held by the people of those cities to the faithful discharge of the duty which the law and their oath of office impose upon them.

We should not, however, fall into the error of expecting too much of enactments against drinking-houses and tippling-shops. Laws prohibiting adultery, fornication, slander, fraud, gambling and Sabbath breaking, have always been on our statute book; but

no one has ever on the one hand denounced these statutes as a failure, or on the other hand concluded that their frequent non-enforcement proved official incapacity and dishonesty, because adultery, fornication, slander, fraud, gambling and Sabbath breaking still exist. And yet take the State as a whole, especially if two or three of our larger cities are omitted, and it is very questionable whether the laws against these crimes are much more effectively enforced than the laws against tippling-houses. Again, it should be remembered that laws against dram-shops are only subsidiary to moral efforts in the promotion of temperance, in the same manner as laws prohibiting gambling-places and houses of ill-fame are supplementary to moral inculcations in the promotion of virtue. Law will accomplish but little alone; but sustained and applied by a public sentiment which brings vividly home to a large majority of citizens the magnitude of the evils of intemperance, it has proved in this State to be an important and indispensable adjunct in the promotion of temperance.

*THE LAWS FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF MURDER.

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I renew the recommendation made in my annual address one year since, that the statute relating to the crime of wilful murder, be so modified as to establish such a penalty as legislators are ready to be held responsible for, and expect to have uniformly enforced. For the law-makers to avoid their proper responsibility in so important a matter, by imposing upon the Executive Department the duty of reviewing every case, and thereby creating in the minds of a large number of citizens the impression that the latter, rather than the former department, is responsible for the penalty enforced,—is a violation of that fundamental principle of our political system which assigns to the several departments distinct functions, subversive of the well settled doctrine that ours is a government of laws and not of men, contrary to the rule uniformly recognized in all other criminal laws of the State, and productive of mischievous consequences.

It is almost inevitable that, under a statute which seems to shift the responsibility of determining the penalty for the crime of wilful murder, from the law-making power where it belongs, to a majority of the Executive Council where it does not belong, there should be such a want of uniformity in the decisions of different

councils, made without the guidance of any rule of law, as to lead to irritating public discussions, tending to divert public attention from the consequences of crime, and even to create sympathy for the criminal. Such a state of things can but seriously weaken the wholesome influence of whatever penalty may be finally imposed, and thus to a certain extent defeat the object for which punishment is inflicted, viz: the protection of society.

Every consideration demands that the legislature should no longer treat this important question in an evasive and uncertain manner. If it is your conviction that the death penalty should be imposed and enforced in all or in any class of cases of wilful murder, *43 let the law be so framed as to clearly *require this, without any provision for its evasion. The constitution provides for rare exceptional cases where the intervention of the pardoning power may be wise and just. If legislators are not ready, so far as the statute goes, to unequivocally and finally provide that the penalty for murder of any degree shall be death, then there can remain but one consistent course, and that is to establish imprisonment for life as the penalty, and provide for its prompt, sure and uniform enforcement. No principle of criminal law is better settled than that the certainty of punishment is more important than its severity.

OUR DIVORCE LAWS.

Under the existing laws of this State, a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed whenever any justice of the Supreme Court deems it reasonable and proper, conducive to domestic harmony and consistent with the peace and morality of society; and the court is required to grant a divorce when it appears that there has been three years' wilful desertion or abandonment without reasonable cause, and may do so for a less period. As hearings on libels may be and usually are held under circumstances which render it almost impossible for the court to reach all the facts—the libellant being usually the only person represented and publicity being avoided so far as possible,—and as decrees for divorce take effect at once and release the guilty as well as the innocent, it is by no means surprising that under so liberal, not to say loose a statute, divorces are rapidly multiplying, until it has been ascertained from official sources, that 487

have been decreed in this State during the past year, nearly half of them for desertion.

Thus the alarming fact confronts us that under the operation of our divorce laws very nearly one marriage out of every thirteen consummated in this State, is subsequently judicially dissolved. The knowledge of so grave a fact will undoubtedly give you, as it has myself, serious concern, and lead to an inquiry as to whether our divorce *laws do not require amendment. Surely, every *44 good citizen can but recognize the vital importance of cherishing the deepest convictions of the inestimable value and sacredness of the marriage bond. This is demanded not simply for the reason that in the family relation there are found the healthiest influences and purest happiness which this life affords, but also and especially from the fact that here is the home of the children and the hope of the State. When the sacredness of the family is lost sight of, the life of society is in danger of being corrupted in its source. It has been truly said that government so depends on the life of home, that for a homeless community anarchy or despotism would be the only alternative.

If our divorce laws are to leave so absolute a discretion to a single judge,—which seems to me very questionable—provision should be made to secure a more satisfactory presentation of the facts and arguments bearing against the application for a dissolution of the marriage contract. The present statute leaves out of sight the fact that in addition to the libellant and libellee, there is a third party, viz., the public, deeply interested in every divorce case. I suggest whether it would not be wise to require the County Attorney to represent the State at the hearing of a libel for divorce, and to resist the granting of a decree. I also suggest that instead of having decrees for divorce take effect when made, all such judgments be simply interlocutory, to take effect one year after being made, unless dissolved in the meantime by the court.

This mode of proceeding would serve to guard against fraudulent representations, and give opportunity for affection and reason to resume their rightful sway. It can be hardly otherwise than that supposed grievances which, under less accommodating laws of divorce, would be patiently and even cheerfully borne, and differences which time would reconcile to mutual advantage, are under our existing statutes often made the occasion for the hasty and unwise sundering of what should be the most sacred and en-

during tie on earth. Nothing is better settled than the fact
*45 *that laws which make divorces easy to be obtained, encourage hasty and ill-considered marriages. And nothing conduces more to that mutual deference and forbearance on which "domestic harmony" so much depends, as the conviction of the parties to the marital contract that they have taken each other for better or for worse until death doth them part.

IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT.

Although our laws authorizing imprisonment for debt were long since modified so as to largely mitigate the evils of so extreme a remedy for the enforcement of the rights of creditors, yet they seem to me unjust and unwise. Practically they rarely aid in the collection of claims against a dishonest debtor; it is only the honest but unfortunate debtor that is reached by them. Our criminal laws are already sufficient, or may be made so, to reach dishonest debtors guilty of fraudulent acts. But statutes which authorize the imprisonment of a penniless debtor who cannot secure the means to pay the costs of a disclosure, where no fraudulent practice or intent is alleged, operate injuriously to the interests of industry and trade, foster an unwise use of the credit system to the ultimate disadvantage of the creditor and the not unfrequent oppression of the debtor and his unoffending family, and are contrary to a sound public policy and the spirit of the age.

RIGHT OF WOMEN TO HOLD OFFICE.

In response to questions propounded by the Governor and Council, a majority of the Justices of the Supreme Court have given an opinion that, under the constitution of Maine, women cannot act as Justices of the Peace, nor hold any other office mentioned in that instrument; but that it is competent for the legislature to authorize persons of either sex to hold any ministerial office created by statute. As there can be no valid objection to, but on the contrary great convenience in having women who may be acting as clerks in public or private offices, authorized
*46 to administer oaths and take acknowledgment of *deeds, I recommend the passage of an act providing for the appointment of persons of either sex to perform such official duties. Indeed, if further legislation be necessary to establish that principle, I sug-

gest the justice and expediency of an enabling act recognizing the eligibility of women to office, in the same manner as men ; for I know of no sufficient reason why a woman, otherwise qualified, should be excluded from any position adapted to her tastes and acquirements, which the people may desire she should fill.

REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION.

As it may be found necessary for the legislature to provide for the submission to the people at the annual State election in September next, of an amendment of the constitution abolishing the office of Land Agent, I suggest whether it would not be wise to unite with this proposition such other amendments of the fundamental law of the State as may be found necessary. Indeed, it seems to me that no more favorable opportunity could be had to secure such a careful revision of many features of the constitution of the State, as has for some time appeared to many thoughtful citizens to be desirable.

Fifty-five years have passed since the constitution was framed ; almost two generations have come and gone ; and the conditions of life and demands on social and political organization have so changed as to require important modifications in the fundamental law of this, as well as other States. At different times within the past thirty-five years, we have endeavored to meet these demands by disconnected amendments, until our State constitution has become a piece of legal patch-work, in which the patches and out-of-date shreds cover half of the thirty-two pages which the revised statutes devote to the instrument, and the casual reader often finds it difficult to understand what is the fundamental law of the State. But aside from these difficulties, not to mention the ambiguity of some provisions, many vital questions are untouched which ought to be put at rest.

* The constitution provides only one way to secure a modification of any of its provisions. Two-thirds of both houses of the legislature must first agree on amendments to be proposed, and then such amendments must be ratified by the people at the next annual election in September. It is obvious, however, that amid the pressure of the ordinary legislative business during the brief period allotted to the session, no committee of the legislature can give that prolonged and exclusive attention requisite to the care-

ful consideration of the various important constitutional questions which are claiming public attention. At first thought, there might seem to be a propriety in summoning a constitutional convention; but the doubt which exists in some minds as to the propriety of doing this without first submitting the question to the people; the delay which would necessarily ensue; the great expense of such a convention; the unsatisfactory manner in which so large bodies, composed in great part of men having no special qualifications for such labor, have done their work; and the fact that the present constitution needs only partial rather than general revision, suggests the propriety and wisdom of imitating the plan recently so successfully adopted in New York, where a commission consisting of a small number of eminent men of both political parties, was authorized to consider and frame such amendments as seemed desirable, for the action and approval of the legislature, and then for submission to the people.

If such a course should be thought advisable in this State, it would be entirely feasible for the legislature, in the early part of the present session, to authorize such a commission, to consist of perhaps ten members, who, with the aid of the suggestions of the committee on the Judiciary and of the members of the legislature, and especially with the light afforded by the recent constitutions of other States, could wisely and satisfactorily agree upon needed amendments, in season for the action of the two houses before the adjournment, and thus secure the decision of the people upon
*48 them at an opportune time, next September. . *The whole subject is commended to your considerate attention.

OUR RAILROAD INTERESTS.

The report of the Railroad Commissions furnishes interesting and important statistics relative to the condition of the several railroad corporations in the State, and makes recommendations which should receive your careful consideration. The anomalous condition of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad can but engage your attention. Two new railroads have been opened during the year—the Bucksport and Bangor and the Lewiston and Auburn; and two old railroads have extended their lines—the Bangor and Piscataquis, from Guilford to Abbot, and the Somerset, from Norridgewock to Madison. Other railroads are in contemplation which will supply much needed facilities for freight

and passenger traffic. The entire State can but take a deep interest in any movements looking to the opening of direct railroad communication with that extensive and fertile and in large part as yet unsettled portion of our State, included mainly within the county of Aroostook.

Without repeating the considerations and arguments urged in my address to the legislature one year since, I renew the recommendations then made for legislation that will impose upon railroad corporations such just responsibilities and restraints as will properly secure those public interests which they were created to promote. Railroads should be compelled to connect at such points as in the judgment of the Railroad Commissioners the public interests require; and, if the roads cannot agree on the conditions, then on such terms as the Commissioners may adjudge equitable. Authority should be given the Commissioners to require a railroad to furnish any town on its line such station and transportation facilities as they may judge necessary for the public convenience. Railroad corporations should be forbidden to issue stock or bonds except for a consideration of *money, *49 labor or property; or to expend money or purchase or hold real and personal property for other purposes than those necessary to carry on the business for which they are incorporated. A prompt, easy and practicable remedy should also be provided by law for the enforcement of the right of every citizen to be served by a railroad corporation on terms which shall be just and reasonable, without distinction and unjust discrimination.

OUR SAVINGS BANKS.

The annual report of the Bank Examiner shows that on the second day of November, the fifty-eight institutions for savings in this State, had deposits aggregating the large sum of \$31,051,963—an increase of \$1,495,439 over the deposits at the same date the previous year. This gratifying increase of deposits, notwithstanding the financial depression which has prevailed during the year; the marked improvement in the character of the securities held; and the satisfactory condition in which all our Savings Banks have been found by the Examiner, are calculated to increase the public confidence in institutions whose deposits are two and a half times as large as the deposits and circulation of all the national banks in the State. It is to be regretted, however, that

the trustees of our savings institutions have thought it necessary or advisable to invest out of the State eleven and a half million dollars, or more than one-third of the deposits of the people of Maine—capital which is needed at home for the development of the abundant resources of the State. It is claimed, however, that so long as the law forbids Savings Banks to loan on names alone, it is impossible for them to find opportunities at home for the investment of all their deposits. The Examiner presents some important facts bearing on this point, which will claim your considerate attention. The act of the last legislature, relating to Savings Banks, has been found defective in some particulars, and *50 will require amendment. It is believed, *however, that the State tax of one per cent. intended to be imposed on the deposits of savings institutions by the existing law, will be considered a finality, as it undoubtedly is the maximum assessment which could be made without causing deposits to be withdrawn and the revenue to the State to fall off, and at the same time is the minimum tax to which popular opinion would be likely to permanently assent.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL INTERESTS.

Notwithstanding the shadow of the great financial disaster which more than a twelvemonth since palsied the industries and business of the country, has rested on this State during the entire year just closed, yet there is reason to believe that our material interests have suffered less than those of a majority of sister States. So far as the increase of deposits in our Savings Banks is an index, it would seem as if the savings of labor and the profits of industry have not been so injuriously affected as might have been expected. The harvest of 1874 has been for the most part abundant in this State, and even above the average of the past five years, although hardly up to that of 1873. Our agricultural interests, whose overshadowing importance demands a just and favorable consideration in the distribution of the burdens and benefits of government, have mainly been affected by the depreciation in the prices of farm products, for which, however, there has been a compensation in the general reduction of prices of merchandise.

While ship building in Maine has largely increased in tonnage the past year, yet our lumbering, commercial, manufacturing and other industrial interests have been more or less depressed, in

common with similar industries in all parts of the country, and indeed in much of the civilized world. It is believed, however, that the worst is past; and that early in the year business will begin to revive on a healthier basis. The country is simply paying the penalty for indulging in a decade of unparalleled extravagance and *speculation, growing out of the gigantic expenditures imposed and the feverish business habits engendered by the war to preserve the national existence, and aggravated by an excessive and depreciated currency to which the necessities of the crisis obliged us to resort. The financial panic fifteen months since, exposed the delusive character of a prosperity measured by a false money standard and resting largely on credit, and convinced a whole people that they were living too fast.

The past year, therefore, has been a period of contraction in expenditures and payment of debts, resulting naturally in a decreased demand for merchandise of all kinds and a consequent depression of business. The operation has been a painful but inevitable one, and it can but result in ultimate good. To be sure the primary causes of the financial difficulties which we are encountering, are deeper than any questions of legislation. They cannot be remedied simply by acts of Congress, but rather by the slow and painful operation of business and social laws. And yet so far as a depreciated currency has aggravated, and in the absence of any steps looking to a change of policy must continue to aggravate these causes, the obvious remedy lies in an ultimate restoration of the currency to the basis recognized by the civilized world.

CONCLUSION.

Gentlemen of the Legislature! to you, who have been selected by your several constituencies, and who immediately represent the people of Maine, is committed the care of the varied interests of this State, so far as they may be affected by legislation. I doubt not that these interests will receive at your hands that considerate attention which their importance demands. And in whatever measures you may devise that may seem calculated to promote the welfare of our beloved State, it will afford me pleasure to earnestly co-operate.

*At the conclusion of the foregoing address the Governor *52 and suite retired, and the Convention dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the Governor's Message be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

The Senate, at 25 minutes past 12 o'clock M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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*FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Order:

The Senate concurring, that when this Legislature adjourns it be to meet on Monday next, January 11th, at two o'clock P. M., was read and passed in concurrence.

No. 1, H. "Resolve providing for a Constitutional Commission," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

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

Your Committee find some irregularities, many towns failing to return the whole number of ballots, while some make the number equal to the whole number of votes cast.

In fifteen districts there can be no doubt as to the result of the election, each Senator having received a clear majority of either votes or ballots.

IN THE FIRST DISTRICT,

* The whole number of votes was.....	11,142	*54
Necessary for a choice.....	5,572	
John Hall had.....	6,022	
Benjamin F. Hanson.....	5,975	
Ivory Lord.....	5,967	
John N. Goodwin.....	5,127	
John Johnson.....	5,065	
Chase Boothby.....	5,031	
Scattering.....	9	

And John Hall, Benjamin F. Hanson and Ivory Lord, having a majority of all the votes cast,, are elected.

IN THE SECOND DISTRICT,

Alone was there any question as to the election. As reported to your Committee, the vote from this county was as follows, as appears from the returns made to the Secretary of State, viz :

Whole number of ballots cast.....	12,145	
William W. Cross had.....	6,090	votes.
William Goold.....	6,020	
Samuel A. Holbrook.....	5,869	
Frederick N. Dow.....	5,373	
Charles H. Haskell.....	6,442	
Nathaniel S. Littlefield.....	5,826	
Isaac S. Brown.....	5,824	
Benjamin M. Baker.....	5,660	
Samuel Holbrook.....	276	
Benjamin S. Baker.....	163	
Scattering.....	11	

And your Committee was presented with an affidavit of the selectmen and the town clerk of the town of Westbrook, subscribed and sworn to, in which they state that 276 votes returned by them as for Samuel Holbrook were actually for Samuel A. Holbrook, and that such appears upon the records of said town, and that the return sent to the Secretary of State was incorrect and not in accordance with the fact or record of said *town, but that *55 said return should have been such as to show that the name of Samuel Holbrook was Samuel A. Holbrook, and that said 276 votes were actually thrown for Samuel A. Holbrook ; therefore

the Committee have counted said 276 votes for Samuel A. Holbrook, and which will give Samuel A. Holbrook 6,145 votes, and as corrected the vote for said county will stand as follows, viz :

Whole number of ballots cast.....	12,145
William W. Cross had.....	6,090 votes.
William Goold.....	6,020
Samuel A. Holbrook.....	6,145
Frederick N. Dow.....	5,373
Charles H. Haskell.....	6,442
Nathaniel S. Littlefield.....	5,826
Isaac S. Brown.....	5,824
Benjamin M. Baker.....	5,660
Benjamin S. Baker.....	163
Scattering.....	11

By referring to the Constitution, we find that "The Senate shall determine who are elected by a majority of *votes* to be Senators in each district." A ballot and a vote are not necessarily the same; a *vote* is not always equal to a *ballot*; and while a person may receive a majority of *votes*, he may not receive a majority of ballots, or pieces of paper thrown—for the number of *ballots* shows the whole number of persons who voted, and the number of *votes* those for whom they voted. The Constitution does not require that a person should receive a majority of the ballots, but a majority of the *votes* thrown in the district, to entitle him to an election. Now the question comes, What candidates of those voted for received a majority of the *votes* cast in this district, as expressed upon the ballots thrown? We find the whole number of *ballots* 12,145; and we readily ascertain the whole number

of *votes* for different persons to be the aggregate amount *56 * thrown for each person, which is 47,554, cast on 12,145 ballots. The district is entitled to four Senators, and the only way to arrive at the approximate number of *votes* is to divide the aggregate number by four, the number of Senators the district is entitled to, which gives the number at 11,888, a majority of which number is necessary to elect. The result then is as follows :

Whole number of votes.....	11,888
Necessary for a choice.....	5,945
William W. Cross had.....	6,090
William Goold.....	6,020
Samuel A. Holbrook.....	6,145

Frederick N. Dow	5,373 votes.
Charles H. Haskell	6,442
Nathaniel S. Littlefield	5,826
Isaac S. Brown	5,824
Benjamin M. Baker	5,660
Benjamin S. Baker	163
Scattering	11

And William W. Cross, William Goold, Samuel A. Holbrook and Charles H. Haskell, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

IN THE THIRD DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	6,306
Necessary for a choice	3,154
Enoch Foster, Jr., had	3,375
John P. Swasey	3,383
George S. Holman	2,801
Barnes Walker	2,803
Scattering	109

And Enoch Foster, Jr., and John P. Swasey, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes	5,041	
* Necessary for a choice	2,521	*57
William H. Rounds had	2,700	
Edmund Russell	2,701	
Benjamin Keen	1,896	
Albion Pierce	1,904	
Scattering	8	

And William H. Rounds and Edmund Russell, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	3,256
* Necessary for a choice	1,629
Albion Dyer had	1,894
James P. Russell	1,352
Scattering	7

And Albion Dyer, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

IN THE SIXTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	1,852
Necessary for a choice.....	927
Thomas W. Hyde had.....	1,217
William A. Potter.....	633
Scattering.....	2

And Thomas W. Hyde, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

IN THE SEVENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	8,444
Necessary for a choice.....	4,223
Edmund F. Webb had.....	5,216
Albert G. French.....	5,105
Albion T. Snow.....	3,226
Solymon Heath.....	3,226
Scattering.....	132

And Edmund F. Webb and Albert G. French, having received a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

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*IN THE EIGHTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was.....	6,241
Necessary for a choice.....	3,121
Abel Prescott had.....	3,260
William H. Stevens.....	3,275
John Robins, Jr.....	2,920
Ivory Low.....	2,951

And Abel Prescott and William H. Stevens, having received a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

IN THE NINTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	2,242
Necessary for a choice.....	1,122
James Foss had.....	1,398
Andrew Wiggin.....	844

And James Foss, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

IN THE TENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	11,565
Necessary for a choice.....	5,783
Joab W. Palmer.....	5,970
George Cutler	6,062
John Morrison.....	6,071
George R. Thurlough.....	5,872
John S. Ricker	4,851
Samuel W. Hoskins.....	4,419
George W. Whitney.....	4,486
Philip C. Jones.....	4,500
Scattering.....	406

And Joab W. Palmer, George Cutler, John Morrison and George R. Thurlough, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected..

IN THE ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	3,684
Necessary for a choice.....	1,843
* Frederick Kent had	1,999
John Ryan	1,596
Scattering.....	85

And Frederick Kent, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

IN THE TWELFTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	5,205
Necessary for a choice.....	2,603
Moses Webster had	2,585
Edward Cushing	2,619
Scattering.....	1

And Edward Cushing, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

IN THE THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	5,657
Necessary for a choice.....	2,829
Fred Atwood had	3,130
E. P. Richardson.....	3,051
Joseph H. Kaler.....	2,500
Jason Estes	2,514
Scattering.....	13

And Fred Atwood and E. P. Richardson, having received a majority of the votes cast, are elected.

IN THE FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	5,005
Necessary for a choice	2,503
Lucilius A. Emery had	2,710
Joseph T. Hinckley	2,726
Isaac Partridge	2,140
William W. A. Heath	2,134
Scattering	2

And Lucilius A. Emery and Joseph T. Hinckley, having received a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

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* IN THE FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	5,500
Necessary for a choice	2,751
William J. Corthell had	2,818
Samuel N. Campbell	3,030
James R. Talbot	2,454
Giles M. Wentworth	2,526
Scattering	90

And William J. Corthell and Samuel N. Campbell, having received a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

IN THE SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

The whole number of votes was	3,712
Necessary for a choice	1,862
John P. Donworth had	1,992
Charles F. A. Johnson	1,541
Scattering	189

And John P. Donworth, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE CUTLER, *Chairman.*

The report was accepted.

Mr. FOSTER submitted the following :

WHEREAS, It appears that agreeably to chapter 258 of the public laws of 1874, a tax was duly assessed upon the several railroad companies doing business in this State, amounting to the sum of \$105,069.33, and that only \$14,275.39 of that sum has been paid by said railroad companies, leaving a balance of \$90,793.94 still unpaid, thus imposing unjust burdens upon the citizens and tax-payers of this State, therefore

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be required to determine forthwith what further legislation is necessary to compel the payment of taxes *assessed as aforesaid on the *61 several railroad corporations of this State.

The preamble was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HASKELL announced the attendance of Hons. Samuel A. Holbrook and William Goold, Senators elect from the Second Senatorial District, and that they were ready to be qualified.

Mr. Haskell was directed by the President to conduct Messrs. Holbrook and Goold to the Governor and Council for that purpose; who subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Messrs. Holbrook and Goold had, before the Governor and Council, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Messrs. Holbrook and Goold thereupon appeared and took their seats at the Senate Board.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

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 11 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, 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.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER of the Senate,

Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,

Hyde of Sagadahoc, of the Senate,

Messrs. Wheelwright of Bangor,

Reed of Bath,

Stevens of West Waterville,

Cleaves of Portland,

Nadeau of Fort Kent, 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.....	144
Necessary for a choice	73
George G. Stacy has.....	101
T. J. Goodwin.....	43

The report was accepted, and Hon. George G. Stacy was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion by Mr. HALL of the Senate,

Messrs. Hall of York,

Russell of Androscoggin, of the Senate,

Messrs. Tapley of Saco,

Lyman of Machias,

McIntire of Pownal,

Mason of Biddeford,

Pillsbury of Farmington, of the House,

were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of votes is.....	149
Necessary for a choice	75
Harris M. Plaisted has	102
S. C. Strout.....	47

The report was accepted, and Hon. Harris M. Plaisted of Bangor was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion by Mr. FOSS of the Senate,
 Messrs. Foss of Piscataquis,
 Foster of Oxford, of the Senate,
 Messrs. Webster of Orono,
 Vose of Augusta,
 Johnson of Waterboro',
 Anderson of Gray,
 Martin of Camden, 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	145
Necessary for a choice	73
Benjamin B. Murray, jr., has....	97
A. W. Bradbury	48

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

On motion by Mr. DYER of the Senate,
 Messrs. Dyer of Franklin,
 Stevens of Somerset, of the Senate,
 Messrs. Shepherd of Skowhegan,
 * Mitchell of Gardiner,
 Hall of Ellsworth,
 Davis of Portland,
 Weed of Veazie, of the House,

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were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

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

Whole number of votes is	142
Necessary for a choice	72
J. M. Mason has	96
George Warren	96
William Grindle	96

Henry Williamson	96
Fred E. Richards	97
Charles Buffum	96
Fred C. Perkins	97
Edwin Stone	46
P. G. Blanchard	46
J. F. Stetson	46
A. P. McMaster	46
E. B. Averill	46
S. C. Belcher	45
Charles A. Spofford	45

The report was accepted, and J. M. Mason, George Warren, William Grindle, Henry Williamson, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum, and Fred C. Perkins, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion by Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, of the House,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to inform George G. Stacy of his election as Secretary of State, Harris M. Plaisted of his election as Attorney General, Benjamin B. Murray, jr., *65 of his election as Adjutant General, * and J. M. Mason, George Warren, William Grindle, Henry Williamson, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum, and Fred C. Perkins, of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate, at 11 o'clock and 42 minutes A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 1875. *66

Senate met according to adjournment, 2, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. QUINBY of Augusta.

The Journal of Friday was read.

A communication was received from the Hon. George G. Stacy, Secretary of State elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

A communication was received from Hon. B. B. Murray, Jr., Adjutant General elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

A communication was received from Hon. S. C. Hatch, Treasurer of State, transmitting an annual statement and account of the receipts and disbursements of the Treasury Department for the year ending December 31, 1874, which was read and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER.

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the report of the State Treasurer be printed for the use of the Senate.

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

** On Bills in the Second Reading.*

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Messrs. Cross of Cumberland,
Kent of Lincoln,
Morrison of Penobscot,
Russell of Androscoggin,
Swasey of Oxford,
Hanson of York,
Donworth of Aroostook,
Hinckley of Hancock,

Messrs. French of Kennebec,
Thurlough of Penobscot,
Foss of Piscataquis,
Prescott of Somerset.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Rounds of Androscoggin,
Haskell of Cumberland,
Hall of York,
Dyer of Franklin,
Hyde of Sagadahoc,
Stevens of Somerset,
Richardson of Waldo,
Campbell of Washington,
Hanson of York,
Cutler of Penobscot,
Cushing of Knox,
Goold of Cumberland.

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 :

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**On the Judiciary.*

Messrs. Emery of Hancock,
Foster of Oxford,
Swasey of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Wilson of Bangor,
Tapley of Saco,
North of Augusta,
Talbot of East Machias,
Stevens of West Waterville,
Cleaves of Portland,
Keegan of Madawaska, *of the House.*

On Legal Affairs.

Messrs. Donworth of Aroostook,
 Hinckley of Hancock,
 Prescott of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Powers of Houlton,
 Barron of Topsham,
 Clark of Lincoln,
 Vose of Augusta,
 Leavitt of Eastport,
 Mason of Biddeford,
 Anderson of Gray, *of the House.*

On Financial Affairs.

Messrs. Holbrook of Cumberland,
 Palmer of Penobscot,
 Russell of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Reed of Bath,
 Cobb of Lewiston,
 Hall of Ellsworth,
 Hawes of Deering,
 Shepherd of Skowhegan,
 White of Bucksport,
 Davis of Portland, *of the House.*

**On Federal Relations.*

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Messrs. Prescott of Somerset,
 Hanson of York,
 Hyde of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. North of Augusta,
 Wilson of Bangor,
 Talbot of East Machias,
 Tefft of Brewer,
 Lyman of Machias,
 Buck of Orland,
 True of Portland, *of the House.*

On Education.

Messrs. Foster of Oxford,
Corthell of Washington,
• Lord of York, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Tefft of Brewer,
Shepherd of Skowhegan,
Stone of Bridgton,
Gile of Alfred,
Moulton of Scarboro',
Grindle of Mt. Desert,
Ferguson of Shapleigh, *of the House*.

On Railroads.

Messrs. Hall of York,
Palmer of Penobscot,
Haskell of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. McGilvery of Searsport,
Snow of Hallowell,
Wentworth of Kittery,
Leavitt of Eastport,
Walden of Portland,
Morse of Bangor,
Dutton of Lewiston, *of the House*.

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**On Commerce.*

Messrs. Hyde of Sagadahoc,
Goold of Cumberland,
Kent of Lincoln, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Wheelwright of Bangor,
Allan of Dennysville,
Allen of Brooklyn,
Sawyer of Millbridge,
Simpson of Sullivan,
Welt of Waldoboro'
Blanchard of Yarmouth, *of the House*,

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Campbell of Washington,
Goold of Cumberland,
Hall of York, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Buck of Orland,
Lyman of Machias,
Folsom of Lyman,
Whitney of Dixmont,
Locke of Paris,
Brackett of Cornish,
Martin of Camden, *of the House*.

On Banks and Banking.

- Messrs. Rounds of Androscoggin,
Hyde of Sagadahoc,
Cushing of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Denison of Poland,
Reed of Bath,
Wheelwright of Bangor,
Barnard of Calais,
Pinkham of Chesterville,
True of Portland,
Watts of Thomaston, *of the House*.

** On Manufactures.*

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- Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,
Rounds of Androscoggin,
Morrison of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Cobb of Lewiston,
Walden of Portland,
Fernald of Wilton,
Mitchell of Gardiner,
Dodge of Freedom,
Burpee of Rockland,
Haines of Biddeford, *of the House*.

On Agriculture.

- Messrs. Atwood of Waldo,
Cushing of Knox,
Lord of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Rogers of Windham,
Hubbard of Berwick,
Wheeler of Winthrop,
Whitney of Dixmont,
Fogg of Readfield,
Stanley of Levant,
Little of Brunswick, *of the House.*

On Military Affairs.

- Messrs. Swasey of Oxford,
Hall of York,
Dyer of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wentworth of Kittery,
Snow of Hallowell,
Fernald of Wilton,
Johnson of Waterboro',
Montgomery of Boothbay,
Lane of Monson,
Hoyt of Fort Fairfield, *of the House.*

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**On Interior Waters.*

- Messrs. Morrison of Penobscot,
Cross of Cumberland,
Atwood of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Webster of Orono,
Rogers of Windham,
Johnson of Waterboro',
McGilvery of Searsport,
Denison of Poland,
McKenney of Hollis,
Weed of Veazie, *of the House.*

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Hinckley of Hancock,
Cutler of Penobscot,
Donworth of Aroostook, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Randall of Island Falls,
Burnham of Bethel,
Gilpatrick of Somerville,
Oak of Garland,
Macomber of Durham,
Barker of Weston,
Milliken of Baldwin, *of the House*.

On Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Palmer of Penobscot,
Holbrook of Cumberland,
Stevens of Somerset, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Judd of Presque Isle,
Nutter of Corinna,
Merrill of West Gardiner,
Wagg of Auburn,
Lamb of Harrison,
Harmon of Thorndike,
Clark of Wiscasset, *of the House*.

** On Fisheries.*

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- Messrs. Kent of Lincoln,
Haskell of Cumberland,
Morrison of Penobscot, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Davis of Portland,
Park of Mexico,
Parker of Lincolnville,
Wade of Sangerville,
Tolman of Deer Isle,
Wakefield of Lewiston,
Kiff of Vinalhaven, *of the House*.

On Counties.

Messrs. Foss of Piscataquis,
Richardson of Waldo,
Thurlough of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Butler of Hancock,
Taylor of Windsor,
Shapleigh of Elliot,
Stowe of Sumner,
Merrill of Cumberland,
Baker of Sidney,
Trott of Alton, *of the House.*

On Towns.

Messrs. Cross of Cumberland,
Foss of Piscataquis,
Thurlough of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Pitcher of Belfast,
Cunningham of Washington,
Randall of Island Falls,
Tuttle of Perry,
Harris of Brownfield,
Woodbury of Litchfield,
Trickey of Cape Elizabeth, *of the House.*

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**On Indian Affairs.*

Messrs. Thurlough of Penobscot,
Rounds of Androscoggin,
Campbell of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Tuttle of Perry,
Page of China,
Moulton of Lagrange,
Sanders of Livermore,
Lawler of Baileyville,
Whitcomb of Norway,
Moody of New Portland, *of the House.*

On Claims.

Messrs. Corthell of Washington,
 Richardson of Waldo,
 Dyer of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Treat of Winterport,
 Gilmore of Dedham,
 Jones of Mercer,
 Edes of Burlington,
 Whitney of Friendship,
 Bray of Naples,
 Doten of Cooper, *of the House*.

On Pensions.

Messrs. Stevens of Somerset,
 Hanson of York,
 Prescott of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Mitchell of Gardiner,
 Sturgis of Auburn,
 Evans of Waldo,
 Haley of Dayton,
 Brawn of Oldtown,
 Tinkham of Anson,
 Stratton of Mattawamkeag, *of the House*.

**On Insane Hospital.*

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Messrs. French of Kennebec,
 Stevens of Somerset,
 Russell of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Sturgis of Auburn,
 Porter of Newport,
 Smith of Whitefield,
 Colson of Monroe,
 Durell of Oxford,
 Pillsbury of Farmington,
 Roberts of Westbrook, *of the House*.

On Reform School.

Messrs. Dyer of Franklin,
French of Kennebec,
Campbell of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. McIntire of Pownal,
Folsom of Lyman,
Frost of Sweden,
Eaton of Livermore,
Hanson of Sanford,
Anderson of Gray,
Vickery of Pittsfield, *of the House*.

On State Prison.

Messrs. Russell of Androscoggin,
Cross of Cumberland,
Prescott of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Stone of Bridgton,
Allan of Dennysville,
Gile of Alfred,
Warren of Orneville,
Lyford of St. Albans,
Butler of Avon,
Berry of Damariscotta, *of the House*.

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** On Public Buildings.*

Messrs. Hanson of York,
Kent of Lincoln,
Cutler of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hubbard of Berwick,
Wiggin of Rockland,
Smith of Jonesport,
Pease of Lexington,
Eastman of Gorham,
Bearce of Eddington,
Gleason of Union, *of the House*.

On Library.

Messrs. Goold of Cumberland,
Emery of Hancock,
Holbrook of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Purinton of Bowdoin,
Heald of Harmony,
Withee of Winslow,
Crosby of Arrowsic,
Payne of York,
Nadeau of Fort Kent,
Conant of Madrid, *of the House*.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of abolishing imprisonment for debt and providing other means for obtaining a disclosure of a debtor's affairs.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

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 *77 its several subjects to appropriate committees.

And Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,
Goold of Cumberland,
Cushing of Knox,

were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

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. Palmer of Penobscot,
Emery of Hancock,
French of Kennebec,

were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

Ordered, The House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may

join, be appointed to negotiate for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book.

And Messrs. Cross of Cumberland,
Corthell of Washington,
Foss of Piscataquis,
were appointed on the part of the Senate.

The foregoing orders were sent down for concurrence.

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

No. 1, H. "Resolve providing for a constitutional commission," which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion by Mr. GOOLD,

The Senate at 3.20 P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SANDERSON of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

A communication was received from the Hon. George G. Stacy, Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Attorney General for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The report was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Commissioners of Fisheries for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. KENT,

The report was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

A communication was received from the Secretary of
*State, transmitting the annual report of the Insurance *79
Commissioner for the year 1873, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

The report was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs
and Insurance.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State
transmitting the annual report of the Trustees and Superintend-
ent of the State Reform School for the year 1874, which was read,
and

On motion by Mr. DYER,

The report was referred to the Committee on Reform School.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Communications were received from Hons. J. M. Mason, Geo.
Warren, William Grindle, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum, and
Fred C. Perkins, Executive Councillors elect, signifying their ac-
ceptance, which were severally read and sent down.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representa-
tives, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature
in the Representatives' Hall, this day at 11 o'clock, A. M. for the
purpose of administering to Hons. J. M. Mason, George Warren,
William Grindle, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum, and Fred C.
Perkins, 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. CUTLER presented bill (S. 1,) "an act to abolish the
*death penalty," which was referred to the Committee on *80
the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. KENT presented the petition of Joseph Church and Com-
pany, for authority to extend their wharf into tide waters in
Bristol, with bill (S. 2) "an act to authorize Joseph Church and

Company to extend a wharf into tide water in the town of Bristol," which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Sent down for concurrence.

The hour assigned for the Convention for the purpose of administering to J. M. Mason, George Warren, William Grindle, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum, and Fred C. Perkins, Councillors elect, the oaths of office, having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion by Mr. REED of Bath, of the House,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hons. J. M. Mason, George Warren, William Grindle, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum and Fred C. Perkins, 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 were pleased to say that they would attend upon the Convention forthwith for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon J. M. Mason, George Warren, William Grindle,
*81 * Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum, and Fred C. Perkins,

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 by 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 J. M. Mason, George Warren, William Grindle, Fred E. Richards, Charles Buffum and Fred C. Perkins, as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

The order providing for the appointment of a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, on the Governor's Message, for the purpose of recommending 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. Snow of Hallowell,
Shepherd of Skowhegan,
Tefft of Brewer,
Pitcher of Belfast,
Vose of Augusta,
Brawn of Oldtown,
Smith of Jonesport.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee to contract * with some suitable person or persons to do the State *82 Printing and Binding for the current year, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence with the Committee joined by that branch as follows :

Messrs. Denison of Poland,
Montgomery of Boothbay,
Hubbard of Berwick,
Tefft of Brewer,
North of Augusta,
Wheelwright of Bangor,
Mitchell of Gardiner.

The order providing for the appointment of a Joint Select Committee to contract for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence with the Committee joined by that branch as follows :

Messrs. Walden of Portland,
Allan of Dennysville,
Purington of Bowdoin,
Barnard of Calais,
Hawes of Deering,
Pillsbury of Farmington,
Moody of New Portland.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The Senate at 11.20 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

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* WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House : Orders :

That, the Senate concurring, all petitions for legislation, except those for redress of wrongs and grievances, which may be presented to this Legislature after Wednesday the 27th inst., be referred to the next Legislature, and that this order be published in the Daily Kennebec Journal, Daily Eastern Argus, Portland Press, Bangor Daily Whig, Bangor Daily Commercial, and the Lewiston Evening Journal until that date ;

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of so amending the revised statutes as to abolish the office of Inspector General of Fish ;

That the same Committee inquire what further legislation, if any, is required in relation to the inspection of fish ;

That the Committees on State Prison, Insane Hospital, Reform School, Agriculture, Education and Military Affairs, be authorized to visit the various institutions they represent ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

*84 * That all business of the last Legislature referred to this, be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate committees, was read and passed in concurrence.

Under the foregoing order the papers of PACKAGE NUMBER FIVE, are taken from the files of 1874 and referred to the respective committees as follows :

To the Committee on Agriculture :

- No. 1. Order relating to standard of weights and measures ;
- No. 2. Order relating to sale of eggs by weight ;
- No. 3. Petition of W. H. Vinal and others, for cattle to run at large in Vinalhaven ;
- No. 4. Petition of Thomas Herbert and others, for an act to incorporate the Bristol Agricultural Society ;

- No. 5. Petition of Frank Ingals and others, for cattle to run at large in Passadumkeag village.

To the Committee on Commerce :

- No. 6. Petition of T. L. Roberts, wharf in Eden ;
No. 40. An act to authorize Charles B. Paine to extend a wharf into tide waters in Eastport.

To the Committee on Counties.

- No. 7. Petition of citizens of Lincoln and others, incorporation of the county of Appleton.

To the Committee on Education.

- No. 8. Order relating to distribution of school money on basis of average attendance ;
No. 9. Petition of M. Gould and others, change of Bridgton Academy to State Normal School.

To the Committee on Financial Affairs.

- No. 10. Account of the Railroad Commissioners.

To the Committee on Fisheries.

- No. 11. An act to amend an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal ;
No. 12. Petition of Joseph Card and others, change of porgie law ;
* No. 13. Petition of Franklin Teague and others, protection *85 of eels in Damariscotta river ;
No. 14. Petition of C. H. Phipps and others, repeal of chapter 379, laws of 1846, relating to migratory fishes ;
No. 45. Petition of R. D. Cummings and others, for protection of trout in Prospect and Stockton ;
No. 48. Petition of D. T. Sanders and others, for protection of trout in Wilson's pond ;
Remonstrance of D. S. Harrington and others against the same.

To the Committee on Interior Waters.

- No. 15. Petition of Mellen Gilmore and others, wharves and piers in Brewer and Eddington ;

No. 16. Petition of M. S. Drummond and others, incorporation of the Allegash Dam Company;

No. 17. Petition of Barak Maxwell and others, bridge and highway in Wells.

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

No. 18. An act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company;

No. 19. An act to promote the efficiency of police in the city of Portland;

No. 20. Memorial of George M. Weston.

To the Committee on Legal Affairs.

No. 21. An act respecting school district No. 7 in the town of Westbrook.

To the Committee on Manufactures.

No. 41. H. R. 107. An act to incorporate the Leeds Manufacturing Company;

No. 42. Petition of D. Wellington and others, incorporation of State of Maine Mineral and Stone Company.

To the Oxford County Delegation.

No. 22. Petition of inhabitants of Newry, reduction of State valuation.

To the Committee on Railroads.

No. 23. Petition of Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company for bridge in Verona.

*86 * *To the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.*

No. 24. Petition of Silas Colburn and others, aid on road from Patten to Golden Ridge;

Petition of Ole Hanson and others;

No. 25. Resolve relating to settlers' lots under the treaty of Washington;

No. 44. Petition of William P. Ball and others, for deed of land waiving settling duties;

No. 46. Petition of heirs of Samuel Emery for certificate of land.

To the Committee on Temperance.

No. 26. Petition of inhabitants of Dexter, sale of domestic wines.

To the Committee on Towns.

- No. 27. Petition of Alpheus Packard, set off, Peru to Canton ;
 No. 28. Petition of John A. Green and others, set off, Bluehill to Surry ;
 No. 29. Petition of Nason Ingalls and others, Woodville and Mat-tawamkeag, set off ;
 No. 30. Petition of William Emery and others, set off, Berwick to North Berwick ;
 No. 43. Petition of inhabitants of Crystal plantation, to be set off from said plantation and annexed to Sherman.

To the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

- No. 31. Order relating to requiring counties to maintain bridges ;
 No. 32. Petition of William B. Hayford, aid for bridge at Medway ;
 No. 33. Petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, repeal of law authorizing toll at Barker's ferry.

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

(House Committee.)

- No. 34. Order relating to taxation of houses of religious workshop ;
 No. 35. Petition of municipal officers of West Waterville, adjustment of valuation and taxes ;
 * No. 36. Petition of inhabitants of Macwahoc plantation ; *87
 No. 37. Petition of F. Shaw and Brothers ;
 No. 38. Resolve abating part of the State tax of Perkins plantation and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage.

To the York County Delegation.

- No. 39. An act to establish a superior court in and for the county of York.

H. R. 1. Bill "an act to amend chapter 124, section 28 of the revised statutes," (additional for the prevention of cruelty to animals) ;

Communication from Hon. S. C. Hatch, Treasurer of State, transmitting certain claims for bounty on wild animals ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Eastern Bank of Bangor for renewal charter ;

Petition of the President, Directors and Company of the Mercantile Bank of Bangor for renewal of charter;

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

Petition of Samuel Beals and others of Arrowsic, for reduction of valuation of said town, was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Wheelwright, President of the Bangor Water Company, for extension of time for completing the works of said Company;

Petition of Selectmen of Brewer, for authority to establish wharf lines along the river front in said town, with bill (H. R. 2,) "an act to empower the town of Brewer to establish wharf limits;"

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

H. R. 3. Bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages and liens;"

H. R. 4. Bill "an act providing for the regulating of judicial proceedings in criminal causes;"

Petition of Selectmen of Chelsea, for the exemption of said town from liability for the support of certain persons residing therein;

Petition of Jason Weeks for limitation of actions relating to stolen bonds;

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

Petition of F. R. Webber and others, for amendment of the pauper laws relating to the time for acquiring settlement, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of E. S. Coe and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 5) "an act to incorporate the Stedman Slate Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of E. S. Coe and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 6) "an act to incorporate the Stedman Railroad Company;"

H. R. 7. Bill "an act repealing the act contained in chapter 218 of the laws of 1871, relating to fencing railroads;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

H. R. 8. Bill "an act to regulate the salary of the judge of * probate for the County of Sagadahoc," was referred to *89 the Sagadahoc County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Castle Hill, for an appropriation to open a road in said township ;

Petition of Hugh Jamison of Presque Isle, for land, waiving certain settling duties ;

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

Petition of William Ayer and others of Montville, to be set off from said town and annexed to the town of Liberty ;

Petition of A. D. Matthews and others of Liberty, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of East Hampden village, to be set off from Hampden and annexed to the city of Bangor ;

Petition of B. L. Townsend and others, for a division of the city of Auburn ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of S. J. Burgess and others, for an act to make free the Livermore and Livermore Falls toll bridge, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Henry Williamson, Executive Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down."

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

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 *10.30 *90 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of administering to Henry Williamson, 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 having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY of the Senate,

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

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

Thereupon Hon. Henry Williamson, 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 by Mr. FOSTER of the Senate,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the
*91 *Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of Hon. Henry Williamson, as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be empowered to procure such printing done, as may be necessary in the transaction of Committee business.

Mr. STEVENS presented the petition of A. J. Lane and others, for a bounty on bears, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. ATWOOD presented bill (S. 3) "an act to amend chapter 135 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings, in capital cases," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Same Senator presented (No. 2 S.) "resolve abolishing the office of Deputy Commissioner of the Sinking Funds," which was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

The petition, bill and resolve were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The Senate at 10.47 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

*THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1875. *92

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Order:

The Senate concurring, that a message be sent to the Governor requesting him to postpone the execution of Louis H. F. Wagner, now confined in the State Prison under sentence of death, until the close of the present session of the Legislature, came from the House amended per sheet "A" by striking out the words "close of the present session of the Legislature," and inserting instead the words, "third Friday of March," and passed.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The order was laid on the table.

Subsequently on motion by the same Senator,

The order was taken from the table.

The House amendment "A" was agreed to.

On the question of giving the order a passage,

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas 9
Nays 18

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

*93 * Messrs. Campbell,	Cutler,	Foss,
Haskell,	Kent,	Morrison,
Prescott,	Rounds,	Stevens—9.

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Cross,	Cushing,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Emery,
French,	Goold,	Hall,
Hanson,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Russell,	Thurlough,	Webb—18.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Corthell,	Foster,	Lord,
Swasey—4.		

So the order was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Ryder for authority to construct a wharf in the town of Islesboro' ;

Petition of citizens of Sullivan for a charter for a Steam Ferry between Sullivan and Hancock ;

Petition of inhabitants of Vinalhaven for amendment of the charter of the Ferry Company, from North Haven to Vinalhaven ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Milbridge for the protection of herring fisheries, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Alexander Martin and others for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in Rockport harbor, came from the House referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

*94 *On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the petition lie on the table.

Subsequently on motion by Mr. CUSHING,

The petition was taken from the table.

The Senate non-concurred with the House, and referred the petition to the Committee on Commerce.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of J. G. Archer, for authority to drain and flow Blunt's pond, in Lamoine, and to stock the same with trout;

Petition of N. E. Carpenter and others, for authority to build a dam at the foot of Wytovitlock lake;

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

H. R. 9. Bill "an act relating to the schools in the city of Portland;"

H. R. 10. Bill "an act to revive the charter of the Ticonic Bank of Waterville for certain purposes;"

Petition of Selectmen of Verona, for an act to legalize the doings of said town;

Petition of C. Yates and others, for an act providing a lien on bark;

Petition of S. B. Swazy and others, for an amendment of the law relating to liens, so as to provide for a lien on vessels placed in dry docks and upon marine railways;

Petition of D. W. Dyer and others, for the same;

Petition of Nickerson and Rideout and others, for the same;

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

Petition of William F. Haskell and others, for an act to make valid the doings of School District No, 2, in Monroe, was

*referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence. *95

Petition of J. H. Bigelow and others, for an act to incorporate the Centre Livermore Cheese Company;

Petition of Isaac H. Esty and others, for an act to incorporate the Trescott Cheese Association;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

No. 3, H. "Resolve in favor of roads passing through Indian Township;"

Petition of Richard D. Porter, for conveyance of land waiving certain settling duties ;

Petition of Shephard I. Higgins, for conveyance of State land waiving settling duties ;

Petition of C. C. and G. F. Sampson, for conveyance of land ;

Petition of J. S. Arnold and others in aid of the same ;

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

Petition of B. H. Bachelder and others, for the division of the town of Montville, and the incorporation of the town of Richland, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Trustees, President, Farm Superintendent and Treasurer of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That the reports be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

*96 * A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Commissioner on Claims of Settlers on Proprietors' Lands in the County of Aroostook, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. HINCKLEY,

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the fifty-eighth annual report of the Directors and Officers of the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb at Hartford, Connecticut, which was read.

Mr. HASKELL presented bill (S. 4) "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to confer certain powers upon the city of Portland,' approved March 24, 1863," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. ATWOOD presented bill (S. 5) "an act relating to Insurance and the office of Insurance Examiner," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. CUTLER presented the petition of W. B. Hayford and

others, for the incorporation of the town of Medway, which was referred to the Committee on Towns.

The bills and petition were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The Senate at 10.45 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1875. *97

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11, section 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the abolition of school districts, so as to give larger powers to towns, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of County Commissioners of Aroostook county, for reimbursement of money expended by said county on road in township No. 8, range 5;

Petition of Warren Frederic and others, for a bounty on bears;

Petition of John Allen of Maysville, for payment of claim against the State;

Petition of Charles W. and Mary A. Tibbetts, for pay for caring for small pox patients;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Sullivan, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in said town, * was referred to the *98 Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

H. R. 11. Bill "an act to incorporate St. Omer Commandery Knights Templars,"

Petition of Continental Mills of Lewiston, for reduction of capital stock;

Memorial of George M. Weston, for repeal of resolve of 1860, relating to his accounts ;

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

H. R. 12. Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterville Slate Company ;"

Petition of Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company, for extension of time for completion of its works ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Managers of the Bangor Children's Home, for aid from the State, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Eli Goss, for increase of pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Carleton and others, for conveyance of land waiving settling duties, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of the European and North American Railway
*99 *Company, to have certain territory set off from Hampden and annexed to Bangor ;

Petition of C. G. Stevens and others, to be set off from Hampden and annexed to Bangor ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, praying that authority be granted to the county commissioners of Cumberland County to lay out an highway into tide waters of Portland harbor for a ferry landing, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

H. R. 13. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, abolishing the office of land agent," came from the House read three times, the Rules being suspended, amended per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read once, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Hon. H. M. Plaisted, Attorney General elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Legislature adjourn it be to meet on Monday next at 2 o'clock P. M.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to vote for *United *100 States Senator on Tuesday, the 19th day of January, instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Mr. EMERY presented the petition of Michael Hurley, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in Union river in Ellsworth, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The same Senator presented the petition of Joseph T. Grant and others, for an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Woodbine Cemetery Association ;

Also the memorial of the National Board of Trade relating to partnerships, requesting legislation requiring the registry of names of members of firms with county clerks ;

Also the memorial of the National Board of Trade in relation to railway legislation ;

Also the memorial of the National Board of Trade respecting corporations, to be formed by the association of five or more persons complying with all the requirements of law ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The same Senator presented bill (S. 6) "an act to incorporate the Cranberry Isles Mutual Fish Company," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The same Senator presented the petition of Molbry Kingman and others, for an act to compel the use of wide rimmed wheels on certain roads in Ellsworth, Otis, Mariaville and Waltham, which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Mr. HASKELL presented the petition of the Cumberland Bone Company, for authority to erect a wharf in tide waters in the town of Boothbay, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

*101 *The foregoing petitions, bill and memorials were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FOSS presented bill (S. 7) "an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis;" which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on the communication from the Treasurer of State relating to claims for bounties on wild animals, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order of the Legislature of 1874, relating to the sale of eggs by weight, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of W. H. Vinal and others, for cattle to go at large in Vinalhaven, presented to the Legislature of 1874, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. KENT, from the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of Joseph Church and Company, with accompanying bill, reported the same (S. 2) "an act to authorize Joseph Church and Company to extend a wharf into tide water, in the town of Bristol."

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

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

*102 *The Senate at 10.36 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 2, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ALLEN of Farmington.

The Journal of Friday was read.

Mr. EMERY moved a call of Senate.

The roll was called with the following result:

PRESENT—15.

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Donworth,	Emery,	Foss,
Goold,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Kent,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Stevens,	Thurlough,	Webb.

ABSENT—16.

Messrs. Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Foster,	French,
Hall,	Hanson,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Rounds,	Russell,
Swasey.		

And there was not a quorum present.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

* The Senate at 2.10 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

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SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STRATTON of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House : Orders :

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of amending section 52 of chapter 224 of the acts of 1874, relating to pressed hay, so as to more definitely determine the manner of branding or marking the same ;

That the Committee on Education be instructed to report a bill, with a view of bringing about a uniformity of text books in our public schools ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if any legislation is necessary relative to the appointment of an administrator upon the death of an administrator before he has completed his administration ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 45 of the revised statutes, in relation to interest, so as to better secure the equitable rights of creditors ;

That the same Committee inquire what, if any, legislation *104 is necessary, explanatory of chapter 225 of the laws *of 1868, entitled " an act to equalize the municipal war debt ; "

That the Committee on Insane Hospital inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 187 of the public laws of 1874, relating to idiotic persons in the Insane Hospital ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William L. Prince and others, for an act to incorporate the Cumberland Farmers' Club, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of A. J. Fisher and others, for bounty on bears ;

Petition of Hartly Green and others, for the same ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of the School Committee of Chester, for the establishment of a normal school in northern Maine;

Petition of John Treat and others, of Enfield for the same;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of William S. Young and others, for amendment of the charter of the Auburn Aqueduct, with bill (H. R. 14) "an act additional to the acts establishing the Auburn Aqueduct Company;"

Petition of Fayette Shaw and others, for "an act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Boat Company;

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

Petition of the Directors of the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company, to be relieved from the taxation of 1874;

Also remonstrance of the same parties, against the remedy by injunction, etc.;

*Petition of H. A. DeWitt and others, for an act prohibiting the killing of moose for five years; *105

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

H. R. 15. Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the assessors and collector of the town of Naples;"

Petition of E. C. Gates and others, for an act of incorporation with bill (H. R. 16) "an act to incorporate the Calais Trotting Park Association;"

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

Petition of Edson C. Buker and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 17) "an act to incorporate the Elliottsville Star Slate Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

H. R. 18. Bill "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad;"

Petition of A. F. Wight and others, for amendment of the law for the protection of baggage on railroads;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of John Tucker, for deed of a lot of land ;

Petition of James L. Cunningham and others, for a grant of land to John A. Row of Crystal plantation ;

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

Petition of Samuel Randall and others, for the incorporation *106 of Talmage plantation into a town, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Andrew J. Whiting and another, for authority to extend a wharf in tide waters in Mt. Desert ;

Petition of Fountaine Rodick and others, that authority be granted to T. L. Roberts to extend a wharf into tide waters in Bar Harbor ;

Petition of David Rodick, in aid of the same ;

Petition of Augustus C. Savage and others, for authority to construct a weir in tide waters between Mt. Desert and Bear island ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of George B. Barrows and others, in aid of the petitions presented to the Legislature of 1874, and referred to this, for the establishment of a State Normal School at Bridgton, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of the Bangor Water Power Company, for extension of time to complete their works ;

Petition of the city of Bangor, for authority to build or purchase dams or water rights necessary to obtain a supply of pure water from Penobscot river ;

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

Petition of the Kennebec Agricultural Society, for an act making sections 17 and 18 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes applicable to the annual show and fairs of incorporated agricultural societies ;

Petition of Henry Ingalls and others, for the revival of *107 * charter of the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society, with bill (H. R. 19) " an act to revive and amend an act to in-

corporate the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society, and an act additional thereto."

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

Petition of Joseph Nash and others, for repeal of act of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of John Allen and others, for a charter for a railroad from Presque Isle to the east line of the State, with bill (H. R. 20) "an act to incorporate the Presque Isle and St. John River Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of Sarah J. Vance, for conveyance of lot of land by the State;

Petition of E. W. Sprague of Easton, for deed of land;

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Committee on Investigation of the Affairs of the State Prison, in 1874, which was read and sent down.

Mr. HASKELL presented bill (S. 8) "an act to amend the charter of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*The same Senator presented bill (S. 9) "an act to *108 amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Presumptscot Park Association,' approved March 23, 1870," which was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Mr. ATWOOD presented bill (S. 10) "an act to incorporate the Winterport Cheese and Butter Factory," which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. CORTHELL presented bill (S. 11) "an act to legalize the acts of Joshua A. Lamb as a justice of the peace."

The same Senator presented the petition of Eli Jones and others, for the abolition of the death penalty.

Mr. ATWOOD presented the remonstrance of R. A. Treat and others, against the abolition of the death penalty.

The bill, petition and remonstrance were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HASKELL presented the petition of the Presumpscot Park Association, for amendment of charter, which was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Mr. EMERY presented the petition of David Bugbee and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (S. 12) "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Ellsworth Steamboat Company," which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The same Senator presented the petition of Joseph T. Grant and others, for repeal of so much of chapter 191 of the private and special laws of 1869 as relates to taking water from Hat-case pond in Hancock county, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. DONWORTH presented the petition of Amos P. Cook and others, for payment for property sold them by the State without title, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

*109 * The same Senator presented the petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county, for authority to organize townships 16 and 17, range 10, into one plantation, and townships 16 and 17, range 11, into one plantation, which was referred to the Committee on Towns.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill (S. 7) "an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis."

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was agreed to.

The bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the use of the Senate Chamber on Wednesday evening, January 20th, and on Thursday afternoon, January 21st,

instant, be tendered to the Maine Editors' and Publishers' Association for the purpose of holding their annual meeting.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish the Senate with a full statement of the receipts and expenses, including printing, of the Insurance Department.

On motion by Mr. GOOLD,

Ordered, The House concurring, that the two branches of the Legislature assemble in joint convention on *Wednes- *110 day, the twentieth day of January, instant, at twelve o'clock meridian, for the purpose of comparing the Journals of the two Houses, and performing all the acts necessary and proper in joint convention to be performed in relation to the election of a person to represent this State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March, 1875, in accordance with the act of Congress to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GOOLD, from the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message, submitted the following report:

The Joint Select Committee, to whom was referred the Governor's Message, having attended to their duty, report as follows:

That so much of the Governor's message as relates to enforcement of taxes on railroads, so much as relates to divorce, so much as relates to the laws for the punishment of the crime of murder, so much as relates to imprisonment for debt, so much as relates to amendments of the constitution, so much as relates to the right of women to hold offices, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That so much as relates to public debt and sinking fund, so much as relates to taxation of telegraph companies, insurance companies, receipts of express companies, wild lands, non-resident bank shares, and to taxation in general, so much as relates to interest on State deposits, so much as relates to a reduction of appropriations and expenditures, be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

That so much as relates to railroads, so much *as re- *111 lates to further legislation to protect the public interest, be referred to the Committee on Railroads.

That so much as relates to public schools, free high schools, normal schools, Industrial School for Girls, and making attendance upon some school obligatory, be referred to the Committee on Education.

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

That so much as relates to agriculture, and to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

That so much as relates to militia, and Soldiers' Orphan Asylum at Bath, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

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

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

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

That so much as relates to Fish Commissioners, be referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

That so much as relates to inspection of steamboats, be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

That so much as relates to public lands, Swedish and French settlers, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

That so much as relates to the enforcement of the prohibitory law, be referred to a Joint Special Committee of three on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*112 Mr. Emery, at his request, was excused from serving *on the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, and Mr. Atwood of Waldo was appointed to the vacancy.

VOTE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

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. Hannibal Hamlin, having arrived, and this being the second Tuesday after the meeting and organization of the Legislature of this State, the day

assigned by sections 14 and 15 of chapter 1 of Title II. of an act of Congress approved June 22, 1874, entitled "an act to revise and consolidate the Statutes of the United States, in force on the first day of December, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three," and being in relation to the election of Senators, 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. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cutler,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foss,	Foster,	French,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Thurlough,	Webb,

voted for Hannibal Hamlin.

The following Senators, to wit :

Messrs. Cushing,	Donworth,	Haskell,
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voted for John C. Talbot.

The whole number of votes was..... 30

Hannibal Hamlin had 27

* John C. Talbot had 3 *113

And Hannibal Hamlin had a majority of the whole number of votes.

The following Senator, to wit : Mr. Cross, was absent.

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

S. 2. "An act to authorize Joseph Church and Company to extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Bristol," 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 :

S. 8. "An act to amend the charter of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,
The Senate at 11.35 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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* WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ALLEN of Farmington.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of amending section 16 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to the time of killing birds;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law for a record of all the arrivals and departures of persons in the towns and cities of this State, to the end that a saving may be made to said towns and cities as regards the pauper law;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of legalizing the acts of School District No. 4 in the town of Lamoine;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of N. R. Pike and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 21) "an act to incorporate the Maine State Pure Blood Jersey Stock Association," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county,
*115 for increase of pay, was referred to the *Aroostook County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Deering, for authority to extend a wharf in tide waters in Bar harbor in East Eden ;

Petition of Albert S. Eells, with bill (H. R. 22) "an act to authorize Albert S. Eells to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor ;"

Were severally referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of the city of Bangor, for an amendment of the revised statutes, so as to authorize cities and large towns to elect school committees of more than three ;

Petition of the Superintending School Committee of Lincoln, for the establishment of a normal school in northern Maine ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of John A. French and others, for change in the law relating to the time for fishing in the Androscoggin river, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

H. R. 23. Bill "an act to prevent the casting of edgings and other refuse into Salmon Falls river and tributaries in the towns of Berwick and Lebanon ;"

H. R. 24. Bill "an act to amend an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water ;"

Petition of Stephen D. Jellson and others, for authority to take water from Moose pond in Otisfield to the outlet of Saturday pond ;

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

H. R. 25. Bill "an act to secure the payment of laborers * upon railroads ;"

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Petition of N. T. Talbot and others, with bill (H. R. 26) "an act to incorporate the Rockport Ice Company ;"

Petition of James L. Tuell and others, for an act to incorporate the East Machias Camp Meeting Association ;

Petition of William Johnson and others ;

Petition of I. L. Higgins and others ;

Petition of H. W. Daggett and others ;

Petition of Josiah Merrell and others ;

Petition of W. W. Clark and others ;

Petition of S. H. Boswith and others ;

Petition of John E. Haley and others ;—severally for a lien on bark ;

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

H. R. 27. Bill “an act to legalize the doings of L. M. Partidge as a justice of the peace and quorum ;”

Petition of John H. Kimball and others, with bill (H. R. 28) “an act to incorporate the Maine State Association for protection of fish ;”

Petition of Harrison Piper and others, with bill (H. R. 29) “an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Lincoln Masonic Fraternity ;”

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

Petition of A. D. Morse and others ;

Petition of William B. Elwell and others ;

Petition of John H. Gray and others ;

Petition of C. H. Haskell and others ;—severally for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, came from the House severally referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

*117 *The Senate non-concurred, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the several petitions be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

H. R. 30. Bill “an act to incorporate the North Wales Slate Company ;”

Petition of Ezra Staples and others, with bill (H. R. 31) “an act to incorporate the Mammoth Silver Mining Company ;”

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of the Biddeford Light Infantry, for reimbursement of money paid for uniforms, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of the city of Bangor, with bill (H. R. 32) “an act additional to an act entitled ‘an act to enable the city of Bangor

to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad, approved February 22, 1871;”

Petition of the Cumberland County Central Railroad Company, with bill (H. R. 33) “an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Cumberland County Central Railroad;”

Petition of city of Bangor, with bill (H. R. 34) “an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county;”

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of B. R. Blackstone, for deed of land;

*Petition of Dennis Getchell and others, to be reimbursed *118 for stumpage;

Petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook County, in aid of the petition of Silas Colburn, for aid on a road from Patten to Golden Ridge;

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

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Hampden, against setting off a portion of said town to the city of Bangor, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Investigation of Affairs of the Maine State Prison, was referred to the Committee on State Prison in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 10) “an act to revive the charter of the Ticonic Bank of Waterville for certain purposes,” that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on the petition of E. S. Coe and others, with bill (H. R. 6) “an act to incorporate the Stedman Railroad Company;”

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual reports of the Trustees and Resident Officers of the Maine Insane Hospital, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the reports be referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

*119 * Mr. DONWORTH presented bill (S. 13) "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. CUSHING presented bill (S. 14) "an act to incorporate the Peoples' Savings Bank," which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. PALMER presented the petition of J. C. Towle and others, for an act of incorporation for improving the navigation of Olamon stream, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. FOSTER presented the petition of Mary E. Webb for pension for minor child, which was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. DONWORTH presented the petition of Jenne M. Strickland, for a lot of land, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing bills and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, to whom was referred the report of the State Treasurer for the year ending December 31, 1874, submitted the following report:

That they have examined the books in the Treasurer's office and find the accounts correctly cast, properly vouched and agreeing with his report presented to the Legislature. They find cash on hand \$322,185.84; of this amount \$52,771.72 in State of Maine bonds and \$4,583.33 in bank bills in the Treasurer's office; \$198,687.01 deposited in National banks of this State, and \$66,143.78 in the Suffolk National Bank, Boston, their respective cashiers certifying to the amount in each, agreeable to the accompanying schedule. The bonds and coupons paid during the past

*120 year, *coupons bonds received in exchange for registered bonds, and registered bonds surrendered by holders, like amount being re-issued to other parties, have been destroyed by burning and due record made of the fact.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of John A. Green and others, to be set off from the town of Bluehill and annexed to the town of Surry, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Crystal plantation to be set off from said plantation and annexed to Sherman, presented to the Legislature of 1874, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HYDE, from the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of the Cumberland Bone Company, reported bill (S. 15) "an act authorizing the Cumberland Bone Company to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Boothbay."

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

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of T. L. Roberts, reported bill (S. 16) "an act authorizing T. L. Roberts to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Eden."

The report was accepted, and

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

*The hour of twelve o'clock, meridian, having arrived, *121 the time fixed by an act of Congress, approved June 22, 1874, for the two Houses of the Legislature to convene in Joint Assembly for the purposes mentioned in section 15 of chapter 1, Title II. of said act, 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 Hannibal Hamlin 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 by Mr. HASKELL of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor that Hannibal Hamlin 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 by Mr. CAMPBELL,

The Senate at 19 minutes past 12 o'clock M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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*THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STANLEY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire what, if any, legislation is necessary for the protection of the lives and property of persons residing below the artificial reservoirs which have been erected in this State for manufacturing purposes;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 3, chapter 198 of the public laws of 1874, that the provisions of said act shall not apply to any island in this State which is connected with the main land by a bridge or bridges;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of changing the laws relating to the sale of non-resident proprietor's land for unpaid taxes, so that under possible contingencies other than the town treasurer may complete the sale;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of further legislation in relation to damages to land holders on the location of town roads;

That the Secretary of State be requested to inform the Legislature whether any corporations chartered by the laws of this State have failed to make the returns of stock, together with the names of stockholders, to his office, as now required by law, and to report their names, if any such there be;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of J. R. Mears and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 35) "an act to incorporate the Morrill Cheese and Butter Factory Company," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of A. W. Watts and others of Thomaston, for remuneration on account of property destroyed by the burning of the carriage shop at the State Prison, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Edmund N. Goodwin, for authority to build a wharf in York river ;

Remonstrance of S. Y. Crockett and others of North Haven, against changing the ferry landing in Vinalhaven ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

H. R. 36. Bill "an act to amend, so far as the county of Cumberland is concerned, the 6th section of chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, entitled 'an act to improve the jail system of the State,' " was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation in concurrence.

H. R. 37. Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of St. Augustine School for Boys at Topsham ;"

Petition of the School Committee of Winn ;

Petition of School Committee of Lowell ;

* Petition of the Supervisor of Schools of Burlington ; *124

Petition of Thomas W. Porter and others ;

Petition of M. B. Pinkham and others ;

Petition of H. H. Fiske and 49 others ;

Petition of Alexander Webb and others ;

Petition of J. F. Robinson and others ;

Petition of the School Committee of Passadumkeag ;—severally for the establishment of a normal school in northern Maine ;

Were each referred to Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of E. G. Willard and others, for the abolition of the office of Inspector General of Fish, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of A. L. Burbank, for improvement of Cedar brook in Grafton, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of A. J. Nelson and others, for the abolition of the death penalty ;

H. R. 38. Bill "an act to incorporate the Hubbard and Blake Manufacturing Company ;"

H. R. 39. Bill "an act to authorize the Cobb Lime Company to increase its capital stock ;"

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

Petition of George W. Ayer, for State aid, came from the House referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The Senate non-concurred and referred the petition to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

*125 *Petition of James Wood and others, for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of Francis A. Reed and others, for reduction of price of stumpage ;

Petition of Samuel W. Coombs and others, for an appropriation for repair of Mattawamkeag bridge ;

Petition of William Shaw and others, for the same ;

Petition of Henry Poor and Sons and others, for the same ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 4) "an act providing for the regulation of judicial proceedings in criminal causes," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the memorial of the National Board of Trade, in relation to railway legislation, that the same be referred to the Committee on Railroads ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

S. 7. Bill "an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis," which had been amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

The following order was received from the Constitutional Commission :

CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION,
Augusta, Jan. 21, 1875. }

* *Ordered*, That the Governor, the members of the Executive Council, the Judiciary Committee and the members of the Legislature generally, are invited to make to this Commission, from time to time, such suggestions as they may deem proper in aid of the work for which we are assembled, and that any citizen of the State who desires to propose any amendments to the constitution of this State, or to submit any proposition in relation thereto, is requested to present his views to us by written communication, and that a copy of this order be furnished to the Governor and Council, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. *126

A true copy.

Attest:—

WILLIAM K. KIMBALL, *Secretary*.

Mr. HOLBROOK presented (No. 4, S.) "resolve in favor of the Maine Centennial Board," which was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Mr. KENT presented the petition of Eliphalet Thorp and others, for the abolition of the office of Inspector General of Fish, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. FOSTER presented the petition of A. S. Bean, with bill (S. 17) "an act conferring additional powers upon the Supreme Judicial Court," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The same Senator presented bill (S. 18) "an act to amend section 12 of chapter 3, of revised statutes, relating to highway surveyors;"

Also bill (S. 19) "an act to incorporate the National Temperance Camp-Meeting Association.

Mr. CAMPBELL presented the petition of D. W. *Campbell and others, with bill (S. 20) "an act to protect the rights of the owners of Petit Menan Point in the town of Steuben." *127

The bills and petition were each referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The same Senator presented the petition of D. W. Campbell

and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (S. 21) "an act to incorporate the Petit Menan Cranberry Company," which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HOLBROOK,

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 a quarter before 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 by Mr. HOLBROOK of the Senate,

Messrs. Holbrook of Cumberland,

Rounds of Androscoggin, of the Senate,

Messrs. Vose of Augusta,

Sturgis of Auburn,

Stevens of West Waterville,

Mason of Biddeford,

Tolman of Deer Isle, of the House,

*128 *were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State.

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

The whole number of votes is.....	149
Necessary for a choice	75
S. C. Hatch has	*103
S. W. Hoskins	40
Franklin J. Rollins.....	1
Samuel W. Hoskins.....	5

The report was accepted, and Hon. S. C. Hatch was declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

On motion by Mr. WILSON of Bangor, of the House,

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

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of allowing the Maine Poultry Association a representation upon the Maine Board of Agriculture.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSS,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve in favor of aid to repair the road from Abbot to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

S. 16. Bill "an act authorizing T. L. Roberts to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Eden," was taken from the table.

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

* second reading.

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Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 4) "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to confer certain powers upon the city of Portland,' approved March 24, 1863," reported the same subject in a new draft, under title of "an act additional to an act approved March 24, 1863, entitled 'an act to confer certain powers on the city of Portland.'"

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

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

H. R. 10. "An act to revive the charter of the Ticonic Bank of Waterville for certain purposes;"

H. R. 6. "An act to incorporate the Stedman Railroad Company;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 15. "An act authorizing the Cumberland Bone Company to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Boothbay," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The Senate at 11.10 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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*FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ALLEN of Farmington.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House :

- Remonstrance of H. W. Briant and others, against the petition of William Wilson and others for an act for the prevention of cruelty to animals, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Luther Maddocks, for authority to extend a wharf in Boothbay harbor, was referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of Frederic E. Nute and others ;

Petition of David S. Plumley and others ;—severally for a normal school in Northern Maine ;

Petition of William Gilchrist and others, for an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 3 in St. George ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Brunswick, for authority to erect a memorial town hall in said town, was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence.

* H. R. 40. Bill "an act for the protection of fish in Chase's pond, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence. *131

Petition of Sopetis Newell and others, Penobscot Indians, for unexpended balance of appropriation of 1874 for agricultural purposes ;

Petition of Joseph Socabeson, for an appropriation from the Indian fund for the purchase of seed for the spring of 1875 ;

Petition of Sebatis Dana and others, of the Penobscot Indians, for repeal of part of section 1 of chapter 103 of the resolves of 1867 ;

Petition of Sebatis Dana and others, of the Penobscot Indians, for increase of allowance per week to widows ;

Remonstrance of Sebatis Dana and others, against an appropriation to build a watch-house on Oldtown island ;

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

Petition of the county commissioners of Knox, for reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the trial of Charles T. Robbins ;

Remonstrance of Frank Gilman and others, against a lien on bark ;

H. R. 41. Bill "an act relating to the meeting of the Grand Jury of Oxford county at the December term of the Supreme Judicial Court ;"

H. R. 42. Bill "an act relating to the supervision of schools in the city of Portland ;"

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

Petition of S. H. Bradbury and others, for repeal * of act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence. *132

H. R. 43. Bill "an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Paper Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Luther Maddocks and others, with bill (H. R. 44) "an act to incorporate the Menhaden Fire and Marine Insurance

Company," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of T. H. Getchell, for allowance of claims for supplying troops at the encampment of 1874, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of David L. Kelly, for conveyance of lot of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Moro plantation, to be incorporated into a town;

Rémonstrance of E. F. Bradford and others, against the foregoing petition;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph B. Fletcher and others, for authority to build a bridge from Kittery to Badger's island;

Petition of D. M. Mortland and others;

Petition of William Percival and others;—severally for the payment of the claim of Bickford C. Mathews;

*133 * Were each referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of Alexander Martin and others, with bill (H. R. 45) "an act authorizing A. Martin and Sons to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Rockport harbor;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 11) "an act to incorporate St. Omer Commandery of Knights Templar;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Verona, with bill (H. R. 46) "an act to make valid the assessment of taxes in the town of Verona for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four;"

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 Jason Weeks, with bill (H. R. 47) "an act for the protection of owners of stolen bonds," was accepted in concurrence, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and be printed as amended per House amendments "A" and "B."

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 19) "an act to revive and amend an act to incorporate the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society, and an act additional thereto," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Isaac H. Esty and others, with bill (H. R. 48) "an act to incorporate the Trescott Cheese Association;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each *read once, and to morrow assigned for their second *134 reading

No. 5, H. "Resolve to authorize the county of Knox to procure a 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.

The following petitions :

Petition of A. D. Morse and others ;

Petition of William B. Elwell and others ;

Petition of John H. Gray and others ;

Petition of C. H. Haskell and others ;—severally for the repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington, which had been referred by the House to the Committee on Legal Affairs, and by the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the House, and that branch adheres to its former votes.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

The following communication was received from the Governor :

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
Augusta, January 22, 1875. }

To the President of the Senate :

In response to your order requesting a statement of the receipts and expenses of the Insurance Department, I have the honor to lay before the Senate the accompanying accounts.

(Signed)

NELSON DINGLEY, JR.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE INSURANCE DE-
PARTMENT, 1873 AND 1874.

(Senate Printed Document No. 2.)

1873.	<i>Insurance Department to Joshua Nye,</i>	Dr.
May 20.	For paid expenses at Bangor after Insurance Department	\$3 50
" 21.	For cash paid for trucking boxes B	50
" 22.	" " trucking boxes A	50
	" " express	5 00
" 28.	" " bottle ink	75
	" " blotting paper	60
	" " bottle mucilage	75
July 1.	" " bill postage	51 80
Sept. 22.	" " company envelopes	4 50
" 28.	" " three boxes seals	1 12
Oct. 1.	" " bill postage	42 40
" 10.	" " bottle ink	1 00
" 20.	" " box pens	1 50
	" " six pencils	42
Nov. 8.	" " paper	75
1874.		
Jan. 1.	" " bill postage	22 00
" 3.	" " telegram	40
Mar. 20.	" " telegram to Boston	1 08
	" " telegram from Boston	1 35
" 21.	" " telegram to New York	1 15
April 1.	" " bill postage	19 68
	" " box at post-office, 12 mos.	3 00
	" " rule	75
May 4.	" " two boxes gold seals	1 00
	" " bottle ink	75
June 28.	" " Portland Press, 12 mos.	7 00
	" " Bangor Whig, "	8 00
	" " Kennebec Journal, "	7 00
	" " Boston Globe, "	10 00
	" " wrapping paper	3 00
	" " expenses counter in office.	8 00
June 30.	" " bill postage	49 31

June 30. Salary one year self, including office rent and clerk hire	\$2,500 00
Cash paid State to balance.....	1,422 44
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	\$4,181 00

1873 and 1874, to July 1.

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By cash received for license fee of 129 companies, at \$20.....	\$2,580 00
By cash received for license fee of 43 brokers, at \$5 ...	215 00
By cash received for license fee of 1,386 agents, at \$1..	1,386 00
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	\$4,181 00

A true copy of account of Insurance Commissioner, as audited
by Governor and Council, October 30, 1874.

Attest: G. G. STACY, *Secretary of State.*

Expense of printing for the Insurance Department for the year 1874	\$1,914 62
Expenses of binding for the Insurance Department for the year 1874	220 70

*The communication and accompanying statement were *135
read, and,

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That they lie on the table and be printed.

The PRESIDENT announced the Joint Select Committee on
Temperance, on the part of the Senate, which was appointed as
follows:

Messrs. Emery of Hancock,
Russell of Androscoggin,
Palmer of Penobscot.

Mr. HYDE presented bill (S. 22) "an act to incorporate the
Peoples' Loan and Building Association," which was referred to
the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. FOSTER presented the petition of James Brown and others,
for bounty on bears, which was referred to the Committee on
Claims.

Mr. MORRISON presented bill (S. 23) "an act to authorize
Charles W. Howard, to dredge a bar in Rangely lake and navigate

said lake by steam," which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. CAMPBELL presented the petition of C. L. Small and others, for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing bills and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSS,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of so amending section 7, chapter 166 of the acts and resolves of 1874, that in the third line it shall read, "shall annually appropriate twenty per cent."

*136 * On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of increasing the powers of port wardens in relation to the position of vessels in port.

These orders were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Frank Ingals for cattle to run at large in Passadumkeag village, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order of the Legislature of 1874, relating to fixing the standard of weights and measures, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of the National Board of Trade in relation to the formation of corporations, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. FOSTER, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the appointment of administrators to complete the business of a deceased administrator, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill (H. R. 35) "an act to incorporate the Morrill Cheese and Butter Factory Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 10)

“an act to incorporate the Winterport Cheese and Butter Factory,” reported that the same ought to pass.

* These reports were severally accepted, the bills each *137 read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

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

S. 16. “An act authorizing T. L. Roberts to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Eden;”

S. 4. “An act additional to an act approved March 24, 1863, entitled ‘an act to confer certain powers on the city of Portland;’”

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

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The Senate at 11.02 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 1875. *138

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Miss HAINES of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 59, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, by striking from said section the following words: “and all necessary travelling expenses;”

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire if any further legislation is necessary in order that contested election cases may be more speedily determined;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

H. R. 49. Bill “an act to incorporate the Topsham and Brunswick Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank,” was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of J. H. Fisk and others ;

Petition of D. A. Murray and others ;—severally for a normal school in northern Maine, were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

*139 * Petition of D. R. Davis and others, for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for authority to raise an additional loan, was referred to the Penobscot County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Lovely for correction of error in chapter 257 of resolves of 1874, relating to a conveyance of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of John Pond and others of Woodville plantation, to be incorporated as a town, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of H. A. DeWitt and others, for an act prohibiting the killing of moose, that the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to promote efficiency of police in the city of Portland," referred from the Legislature of 1874, that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to requiring a record of arrivals and departures by cities and towns, for the purpose of enforcing the pauper law, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Towns, on the petition of Nason Ingalls and others, to have certain territory set off from Woodville plantation and annexed to Mattawamkeag,* referred from
*140 the Legislature of 1874, *that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of William B. Hayford and others, for aid to build a bridge across the Penobscot river at Medway, presented to the Legislature of 1874, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to requiring certain bridges exceeding the cost of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be maintained at the expense of the county where located, presented to the Legislature of 1874, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of citizens of Sullivan, with bill (H. R. 50) "an act authorizing George C. Lyman, Newton C. White and associates, to build a wharf in tide waters at Sullivan;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of citizens of Sullivan, with bill (H. R. 51) "an act to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Augustus C. Savage and others, with bill (H. R. 52) "an act authorizing Augustus C. Savage and others to construct weirs between Mt. Desert and Bears island;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (H. R. 15) "an act to make valid certain doings of the assessors and collector of the town of Naples," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Harrison Piper and others, with bill (H. R. 29) "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Lincoln Masonic Fraternity;"

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the *petition of J. H. Bigelow and others, with bill (H. R. 53) "an act to incorporate the Centre Livermore Cheese Company;" *141

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 12) "an act to incorporate the Waterville Slate Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Edson C. Baker and others, with bill (H. R. 17) "an act to incorporate the Elliottsville Star Slate Company;"

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 32) "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company,'" that the same ought to pass;

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

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 6) "an act to incorporate the Cranberry Isles Mutual Fish Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the petition of the Presumpscot Park Association, reported bill (S. 9) "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association,' approved March 23, 1870."

Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 7) "an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis," 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.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on an order, reported bill (S. 24) "an act to amend chapter 209, *142 section 4 of the special laws of 1873, in relation to *the Maine Poultry Association," and that the same ought to pass.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider in what manner the expenses of the State can be reduced.

And Messrs. Atwood of Waldo,

Cushing of Knox,

Foster of Oxford,

were appointed on the part the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HOLBROOK,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate publish the usual Journal of proceedings.

The following are joined on the part of the House on the Joint Select Committee on Temperance :

Messrs. Wheelwright of Bangor,

Cobb of Lewiston,

Mitchell of Gardiner,

Messrs. Barnard of Calais,
Butler of Hancock,
Haines of Biddeford,
Eastman of Gorham.

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

H. R. 45. "An act authorizing A. Martin and Sons to
* build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Rockport *143
harbor;

H. R. 11. "An act to incorporate St. Omer Commandery of
Knights Templar;"

H. R. 46. "An act to make valid the assessment of taxes in
the town of Verona for the year one thousand eight hundred and
seventy-four;"

H. R. 19. "An act to revive and amend an act to incorporate
the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society, and an act additional
thereto;"

H. R. 48. "An act to incorporate the Trescott Cheese Asso-
ciation;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

H. R. 35. "An act to incorporate the Morrill Cheese and But-
ter Factory Company;"

S. 10. "An act to incorporate the Winterport Cheese and
Butter Factory;"

Which were each read a second time and passed to be en-
grossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSS,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet at two
o'clock P. M. on Monday next.

On motion by Mr. KENT,

The Senate at 10.15 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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*MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 2, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. JAMES of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read.

Papers from the House : Orders :

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of further legislation in regard to the laws of public schools ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 148 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, so as to fix a rate of per cent. which towns shall not exceed in making abatements under said section ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of providing for a lien on pressed hay in favor of laborers who perform labor in pressing the same ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Peter L. Hill and others, for the repeal of the law authorizing cattle to run at large in the town of Gouldsboro, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Magolire Michaud, for reimbursement for timber cut on his land ;

*145 *Communication from the Governor in response to an order of the House, relating to certain claims of towns against the State, which had been referred by a resolve of 1873, to the Adjutant General and the Governor and Council ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Farnsworth and others ;

Petition of C. S. Leighton and others ;

Petition of B. L. Smalley and others ;—severally for the repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington ;

Remonstrance of David B. Randall and others, against the petition of William F. Haskell and others, for an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 2 in Monroe ;

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

Memorial of the Female Orphan Asylum of Portland, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Leonard Hilton and others, for an appropriation on State road in the town of Kingsbury ;

Petition of inhabitants of Frenchville, for an appropriation in aid of a bridge over Lagnon stream ;

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

The following communication from the Governor, relating to State expenditures, was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence :

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
Augusta, January 19, 1875. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I have the honor to lay before you a detailed statement of the expenditures of the State during the year 1874, in order that you may have a full understanding of the nature and extent of the disbursements for every public object, and thereby be able to reduce the appropriations wherever, in your judgment, it may be done without injury to the public interests. Inasmuch as this State has never had an Auditor or Comptroller charged with the special duty of auditing bills and claims, and keeping a thorough system of accounts with a view of reporting to the Legislature the expenditures in detail, it has been found difficult to analyze the disbursements entirely satisfactorily.

It will be seen, as indicated in my recent address to the Legislature, that the expenditures of the State are controlled by considerations of economy to an extent rarely observed in public affairs, and that the opportunities for retrenchment are comparatively few. So far as there may be a reduction of expenditures in any direction without injury to the public interests, I earnestly recommend legislative action to that end.

It will be seen from the accompanying statement that the aggregate expenditures of the State during the last year, after

deducting sums which simply passed through the treasury, was \$1,529,259. Of this amount \$1,142,073 was on account of debt, and for educational purposes, and \$60,394 for special and exceptional appropriations, leaving about \$326,792 as the current ordinary expenses of the State.

I have already indicated my judgment that the annual expenditures on account of the public debt, should be reduced from about \$670,000 to \$450,000, and I need not repeat my views here. Justice to the brave men who perilled their lives in defence of the country, requires a continuance of aid to soldiers' families. I suggest that whatever appropriations may be hereafter made to the Bath Home and the Bangor, or any other Orphan Asylum, shall be a fixed sum for each orphan of a soldier admitted to either institution on recommendation of the Governor and Council. In this manner, the aid extended will be confined to the soldiers' orphans, as intended. I suggest that the resolves providing for miscellaneous pensions, which have been passed from time to time be carefully examined for the purpose of ascertaining if some of them should not be repealed.

Of the expenditures for educational purposes, nearly \$400,000 is divided among the several towns and cities, and reduces municipal appropriations for public schools to that extent. In my judgment, the attendance upon teachers' institutes has been so small for the past few years, that the State is not justified in further continuing the appropriation of \$4,000 for this purpose. I suggest that, instead of this, the State Superintendent visit each county, hold meetings of school committees, confer with friends of education, address the people at various points on educational topics, and by every means in his power endeavor to awaken new interest in our public schools. A small appropriation for expenses will be all that is necessary to carry out this plan.

I simply direct your attention to the expenses of the Legislature, and doubt not that you will give them the attention they deserve. I suggest that the full compensation of the subordinate officers of the Senate and House be established by law, in the same manner as that of the members and of the presiding officers. I suggest, also, that the amount of stationery to be annually distributed to each member of the Legislature by the Secretary of State, be determined by law, and not be left to a doubtful custom which calls for an annual expenditure of about \$3,700 for that purpose.

As the laws are promulgated by means of "extras" distributed by all the newspapers of the State, soon after the close of each session, there would seem to be no necessity for longer continuing in force the resolve which requires them to be advertised also in the State paper.

For several years the Messenger of the Council has also served as Private Secretary of the Governor, in addition to performing other miscellaneous duties. I recommend that a Messenger be hereafter employed only when the Council is in session, and that the appropriation for this purpose be reduced accordingly. I also recommend that the compensation of Councillors, both when acting in Council and when acting on committees in recess, be made definite by law, instead of being made to depend upon the construction which has so long been given by custom.

If County Attorneys are to continue beyond the control of the State authorities, there would seem to be a propriety in having their salaries paid by counties instead of the State. I suggest that the expense of arresting fugitives from justice ought not to be borne by the State, but by the counties, as in the State of New York. I also direct your attention to the practical workings of the law authorizing justices of the Supreme Court to allow compensation from the State Treasury to counsel for prisoners.

Attention is directed to the expenditures of the several departments. Undoubtedly, care will be taken to restrict the appropriations for deputies, clerks, postage, printing, binding, &c., within the narrowest limits consistent with the public interests. I am assured that the heads of the several departments, and the State Librarian and Superintendent of the Public Buildings, will heartily coöperate with the Legislature in every measure to this end.

I suggest the propriety of discontinuing the appropriations for transportation of public documents. Towns and individuals which desire documents printed at the public expense ought not to ask the State to also pay for transporting them.

The appropriations for the State Volunteer Militia, and an Annual Military Encampment, as well as those for re-stocking our rivers with food fishes, will undoubtedly be carefully considered. A little more than half of the \$18,000 expended for objects relating to the encouragement of agriculture, is appropriated for the voluminous and valuable report of the Secretary, embodying not

only the proceedings of the Board of Agriculture, but also all the papers read in full, in two volumes containing about seven hundred pages. If a smaller number of copies of a pamphlet in paper covers, of less than half the size, embodying only the proceedings and a brief abstract of the papers, could be substituted for the present report, several thousands of dollars might be saved, should the Legislature consider such a course advisable.

The expenditures on account of the Insane Hospital (including about \$8,000 on account of expenditures of Hospital in 1873,) Reform School, State Prison, support of paupers in unincorporated places, education of deaf, dumb and blind, and aid to Indians, have nearly reached \$130,000. I invite special attention to the appropriations for these objects. The expenditures of the several State institutions are made by the several Boards which have them in charge.

I have already recommended such legislation as will not only make the office of Commissioner of Insurance self-sustaining, but also will secure a revenue to the State. Inasmuch as it was intended that all expenditures on account of the Railroad Commissioners should be paid by the several railroad corporations, I suggest legislation providing that the expense of their annual report be included in the assessment.

The expenditures for printing and binding during the past year were about \$33,000 ; of which a little more than \$7,000 was for binding, and a little less than \$26,000 for printing. At least half the expense of printing, however, consists in the paper used. The large expense for printing and binding is not due to excessive contract rates—for so far as the contracts apply to most of the classes of printing and binding the prices are very low,—but to the large amount of printing and binding ordered by the Legislature, or required by existing laws. The printing contract should establish a definite rate per page for each engrossed bill or resolve. It will be seen that the printing and binding of the Legislature, the Agricultural Report, and the Reports of the Superintendent of Common Schools, and of the Insurance Commissioner,—all of which may be reduced—comprise more than three-fourths of all the expenditures for these purposes. Probably you will find it expedient to so modify existing laws as to reduce the amount of printing and binding to a very considerable extent. As the expense of printing and engrossing the numerous acts of incorpo-

ration, which are for the benefit of private parties, is large, it might be wise to impose a charter fee on such private legislation, as is done in many other States.

I suggest legislation providing that all the stationery and other supplies required for the several State officers and the Legislature, be purchased by some State officer under the direction of the Governor and Council, and accounts be kept of the distribution of the same. Also that the public documents distributed to towns be placed in the hands of the Librarian or Superintendent of Public Buildings, to be forwarded by him in one package. Should it be deemed advisable, a considerable sum might be saved by distributing only those documents which will be likely to be of advantage to the public generally.

Without indicating further appropriations which may be reduced if it shall seem advisable, I submit the accompanying detailed statement of expenditures for your careful consideration.

NELSON DINGLEY, Jr.

STATE EXPENDITURES FOR 1874.

WAR EXPENDITURES.

On account of war debt.....	\$671,100 86	
Pensions to soldiers	22,838 44	
Aid to Bath Soldiers' Orphans' Home ..	10,000 00	
Aid to Bangor Asylum.....	2,000 00	
Miscellaneous pensions	2,104 30	
		<u>\$708,043 60</u>

EDUCATIONAL.

On account of schools—mill tax.....	\$213,365 84	
bank tax	134,830 06	
On account of schools—interest school fund.....	19,793 93	
On account of schools—resolves of Legislature	575 02	
Free high schools, (including warrants unpaid)	38,584 83	
Interest Madawaska school fund.....	258 25	
Teachers' institutes	3,108 24	
Normal schools	12,682 44	

EDUCATIONAL—*Concluded.*

Interest on appropriations to literary in-		
stitutions	\$2,220	00
Superintendent of Schools, salary	1,800	00
Superintendent of Schools, expenses	349	29
Clerk in Educational Department	1,200	00
Printing and binding for Educational De-		
partment.....	4,549	62
Postage	311	29
Stationery, (about)	400	00
		<u>\$434,029 41</u>

SPECIAL AND EXCEPTIONAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Agricultural College (appropriation)	\$12,500	00
Agricultural College, printing and bind-		
ing.....	284	00
Industrial School for Girls, (appropriation)	12,500	00
Maine General Hospital, (appropriation).	25,000	00
Appropriations for roads and bridges,		
mainly in Aroostook county.....	8,285	00
Bounties on wild animals... ..	1,825	00
		<u>60,394 00</u>

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Pay Roll of members and officers of the		
Legislature.....	\$40,677	00
Pay Roll of Indian delegates.....	190	00
Printing of Legislature.....	5,652	60
Binding of Legislature.....	903	97
Engrossing of Legislature, (in print)....	3,402	52
Maine State Year Book of Legislature...	1,000	00
Stationery of Legislature.....	3,700	00
Clerk of House and Secretary of Senate		
for making up Journals.....	500	00
Expenses of State Prison investigation..	2,407	29
Expenses of legislative committees	720	18
Promulgating laws in newspapers	2,751	52
Advertising laws in State paper.....	617	74
Newspapers for Legislature.....	1,414	33
		<u>63,937 15</u>

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Salary and expenses of Governor.....	\$2,500 00	
Pay Roll of Council.....	3,855 70	
Contingent expenses of Council	2,891 44	
Messenger.....	1,200 00	
Printing and binding.....	444 76	
Stationery (about).....	200 00	
Postage	200 00	
	<u> </u>	\$11,291 90

JUDICIARY AND LAW DEPARTMENT.

Salary of eight Justices Supreme Court..	\$24,000 00	
Salary of Judge of Superior Court, Cum- berland.....	2,500 00	
Salary of Attorney General.....	1,000 00	
Expenses of Attorney General.....	545 88	
Printing and binding.....	261 17	
Stationery	30 00	
Salaries of County Attorneys	7,200 00	
Extra compensation in capital cases, as allowed by Justices Supreme Court ...	1,972 50	
Paid Sheriffs and Coroners.....	422 64	
Cost of arresting fugitives from justice..	846 06	
	<u> </u>	38,778 25

DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES.

Secretary of State—salary.....	\$1,500 00	
Secretary of State—making Journal of Council.....	300 00	
Secretary of State—consolidating laws..	150 00	
Deputy Secretary—salary.....	1,500 00	
Clerks in Secretary's office	3,431 00	
Stationery in Secretary's office (about)..	300 00	
Postage, including newspaper postage ..	983 65	
Printing for Secretary's office	545 50	
	<u> </u>	8,710 15
State Treasurer—salary	2,000 00	
Deputy Commissioner, sinking fund.....	1,800 00	
Clerks.....	2,800 00	

DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES—*Concluded.*

Printing and binding.....	\$337 52	
Expenses in office.....	199 20	
Stationery (about):.....	200 00	
Postage	244 77	
		\$7,581 49
Adjutant General—salary.....	1,600 00	
Clerk in Pension Department.....	1,200 00	
Clerk in Military Department.....	1,300 00	
Printing and binding for both Depart- ments.....	1,659 67	
Stationery (about).....	300 00	
Postage.....	236 20	
		6,295 87
Land Agent—salary	1,500 00	
Clerks.....	1,600 00	
Printing and binding.....	316 82	
Stationery.....	20 00	
Compensation to commission on claims of settlers in 1873.....	373 35	
		3,810 17

STATE HOUSE EXPENDITURES.

Library—salary librarian.....	\$1,000 00	
Librarian for distributing documents	200 00	
Librarian assistant.....	350 00	
Printing and binding.....	638 65	
Stationery and postage.....	77 55	
Purchase of books	500 00	
		2,766 20
Superintendent Public Buildings, (salary)	1,000 00	
Furniture and repairs.....	3,533 00	
Fuel, lights and labor	3,000 00	
Pay of two night watchmen.....	1,826 53	
Ventilation of State House.....	2,350 00	
		11,709 53
Paid express for transporting documents to the several towns.....		1,527 04
Military purposes.....		11,315 88

STATE HOUSE EXPENDITURES—*Concluded.*

Fish Commissioner's salary	\$1,000 00	
Fish Commissioner and Warden's expenses	2,420 19	
Paid for propagation of fish	2,038 50	
Paid for printing	217 67	
		\$5,676 36
Agricultural societies	5,853 33	
Board of Agriculture	1,334 34	
Salary of Secretary of Board	1,000 00	
Expenses	387 94	
Printing	6,003 08	
Binding	3,300 10	
Stationery	170 00	
		18,049 79
The expense of transporting the Agricultural Report is about \$400 additional.		

STATE INSTITUTIONS AND CHARITIES.

INSANE HOSPITAL.

Salary of Superintendent and officers....	\$4,200 00	
Trustees of Hospital	1,191 50	
State support of insane paupers, (five quarters)	43,970 49	
Fitting up Chapel for patients	5,000 00	
Commissioners on New Insane Hospital.	385 25	
Printing and binding	236 25	
Plans for New Insane Hospital	80 25	
		\$55,063 74

REFORM SCHOOL.

Current expenses exclusive of receipts from labor of boys		
	\$14,000 00	
Interest on Sanford legacy	42 00	
Repairing and re-arranging building....	6,000 00	
Printing and binding	166 82	
		20,208 82

STATE PRISON.

Salary of warden.....	\$4,000 00	
Printing and binding.....	245 14	
Inspectors	704 53	
Appropriation for library	100 00	
Delegates to Prison Congress	290 00	
All other current expenses are paid from receipts for labor of convicts.		
Rebuilding workshop and repairing losses by fire.....	17,000 00	
		\$22,339 67
Paid for support of paupers in unincorpo- rated places.....	4,215 88	
Paid for education of deaf, dumb and blind	15,314 05	
Miscellaneous pensions and services	233 00	
Penobscot Indians	8,379 70	
Passamaquoddy Indians.....	4,173 56	
		32,316 19

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

Tax Commissioner.....	\$500 00	
Printing report.....	121 30	
Bank Examiner (salary).....	915 00	
Printing and binding ..	1,591 08	
Printing and binding for R. R. Commis- sioners	348 69	
Stationery	30 00	
Paid for printing for Insurance Depart- ment \$2,135.32, less amount paid into Treasury \$1,423.00.....	713 00	
Telegraphing for various departments ...	304 69	
Paid for diseased cattle killed by municipal officers.....	242 40	
Paid for miscellaneous advertising.....	220 08	
Paid for advertising State tax.....	265 00	
Paid for legal services.....	162 69	
		5,413 93

RECAPITULATION.

War debt and aid to soldiers' families...	\$708,043	60
Education expenses.....	434,029	41
Total war and educational.....	\$1,142,073	01
Special and exceptional appropriations for College of Agriculture, General Hospital, Industrial School for Girls, Roads, &c		60,394 00
Legislative department	63,937	15
Governor and Council	11,291	90
Law department.....	38,778	25
Secretary's office.....	8,710	15
Treasurer's office	7,581	49
Adjutant General's office	6,295	87
Land Agent's office.....	3,810	17
Library.....	2,766	20
State House	11,709	53
Transportation documents	1,527	04
State institutions and charities .	129,928	42
Re-stocking rivers with fish.....	5,676	36
Military purposes.....	11,315	88
Agricultural.....	13,049	79
Miscellaneous expenditures.....	5,413	93
		<u>326,792 13</u>
Total expenditures	\$1,529,259	13

* Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill *146 (H. R. 54) "an act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of F. R. Webber and others, for amendment of the pauper laws, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 38) "an act to incorporate the Hubbard and Blake Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (H. R. 5) "and act to incorporate the Stedman Slate Company," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass;

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

Mr. FOSTER presented bill (S. 25) "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," which was ordered to be printed and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education consider the subject of compulsory education, or the most desirable means to secure a larger attendance upon the public schools.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire
*147 *into the expediency of so amending the pauper laws, that the State shall reimburse towns for all necessary expenditures on account of poor who have no legal settlement in this State.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 50. "An act authorizing George C. Lyman, Newton C. White and associates to build a wharf in tide waters at Sullivan;"

H. R. 51. "An act to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company;"

H. R. 52. "An act authorizing Augustus C. Savage and others to construct weirs between Mt. Desert and Bears island;"

H. R. 15. "An act to make valid certain doings of the assessors and collector of the town of Naples;"

H. R. 29. "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Lincoln Masonic Fraternity;"

H. R. 53. "An act to incorporate the Centre Livermore Cheese Company;"

H. R. 12. "An act to incorporate the Waterville Slate Company;"

H. R. 17. "An act to incorporate the Elliottsville Star Slate Company;"

H. R. 32. "An act additional to an act entitled 'an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company;'"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

S. 6. "An act to incorporate the Cranberry Isles Mutual Fish Company ;"

*S. 9. "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to in- *148
corporate the Presumpscot Park Association,' approved
March 23, 1870 ;"

S. 7. "An act additional to the several acts establishing the
county of Piscataquis ;"

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 :

H. R. 6. "An act to incorporate Stedman Railroad Company ;"

H. R. 10. "An act to revive the charter of the Ticonic Bank
of Waterville for certain purposes ;"

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 by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at 2.48 P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

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* TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. JAKES of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House : Orders :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by statute, that the evidence in equity suits may be taken at the trial courts before the presiding justice, and reported by the official reporter ;

That the same Committee inquire whether legislation is necessary to protect the rights of parties in courts against the misconduct of jurors ;

That the same Committee inquire whether legislation is necessary to prevent the judges of courts from expressing their opinion on the facts in cases on trial before juries ;

That the same Committee inquire whether legislation is necessary in relation to the pay of stenographic reporters of the court, for writing out their short hand reports ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 65, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, and acts additional thereto, relating to damages on highways ;

*150 That the same Committee be instructed to report a * bill to so amend the laws as regards damages on highways, that no person can maintain an action for damages unless the selectment or road commissioners, or at least one of their number, be previously notified of the defect in said way ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire if any legislation is necessary for the protection of pedestrians on highways, and for the prevention of fast driving of horses within the limits of cities and villages ;

That the Committee on Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of recommending the passage of a law, providing that all bridges now existing, and hereafter required for public travel in this State on any county road whose cost shall be \$200 or

more, shall hereafter be built, maintained and kept in repair at the expense of the county in which said bridge or bridges are located ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

H. R. 55. Bill "an act to incorporate the Dexter Park Association," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

H. R. 56. Bill "an act to incorporate the Saccarappa Savings Bank ;"

H. R. 57. Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Safe Deposit Company ;"

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

Petition of Putnam Rolf and others, for bounty on bears ;

Petition of Leonard C. Foster, for the same ;

Petition of Augustus Howard and others, for the same ;

No. 6, H. "Resolve in favor of the towns of Lubec, Harrington, * Alexander, Marshfield, Northfield and Marion ;" *151

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Henry B. Cleaves and others, with bill (H. R. 58) "an act authorizing Nathan Cleaves and Henry B. Cleaves to extend a wharf into tide waters of Casco bay ;

Petition of D. C. N. Webster, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in Eastport ;

Petition of C. H. Haskell and others, for authority to enlarge and maintain a wharf in Steuben ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of E. H. Treat and others, for the establishment of a normal school in northern Maine ;

Petition of Joseph Starrel and others, for repeal of the law establishing free high schools ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Alonzo Hayward and others, for modification of the law relating to taking lobsters, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of John McIntire and others, for amendment of sections 28 and 31 of chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to meeting-houses, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

H. R. 59. Bill "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Martha's Grove Camp-meeting Association;'"

Petition of S. E. Bryant and others, with bill (H. R. 60) "an act to incorporate the Arundel Mutual Relief Society;"

*152 *Petition of J. K. Ames and others, of Machias, for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Washington;

Petition of Selectmen of Amity for an act to legalize the doings of said town;

Petition of J. D. Parker and others;

Petition of Henry Clark and others;—severally for an act for the protection of deer on the island of Mt. Desert;

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

Petition of Henry A. Wood and others, with bill (H. R. 61) "an act to incorporate the Wood and Bishop Foundry Company;"

Petition of M. E. Rice and others, for an act to incorporate the Bridgewater Cheese Manufacturing Company;

Petition of Edward Partridge and others, for an act incorporating the Prospect and Stockton Cheese Company;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

H. R. 62. Bill "an act to prevent fraud in certain cases;"

Petition of Portland Stone Ware Company, with bill (H. R. 63) "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Stone Ware Company;"

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

Petition of James Johnstone, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

*153 Remonstrance of citizens of Caribou and vicinity, *against granting a charter for a railroad from Presque Isle to the east line of the State;

Petition of John Wasson and others ;

Petition of Luke Sawyer and others ;—severally for a charter for a railroad from Augusta to Lewiston ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

No. 17, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls ;"

Petition of citizens of Fort Fairfield, for a grant of land to aid the Aroostook River Railroad ;

Petition of citizens of Caribou for the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Crystal plantation ;

Petition of S. E. Benjamin and others ;—severally for aid on road from Patten to Golden Ridge ;

Petition of James Timoney and others, for aid to build a bridge over the East Branch of the Mattawamkeag river in Oakfield plantation ;

Petition of John Sterling for compensation for labor performed on highway ;

Petition of Sabine F. Berry and another, for deed of lot No. 11 in township 5 range 3 ;

Petitions of A. F. Owens and others, for conveyance of land ;

Petition of Andrew K. Higgins of Oakfield plantation, for deed of lot No. 38 in said plantation ;

Petition of Fernando F. Smith and others, for deed of land ;

Petition of J. W. Ambrose, for conveyance of land to James Farmer and others ;

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

* Petition of Joshua M. Leighton, to be set off from *154 Steuben and annexed to Milbridge ;

Petition of A. M. Young and others, to be set off from Hampden and annexed to Bangor ;

Petition of John F. Clifford and others, for division of city of Auburn ;

Remonstrance of Lucius Packard and others, against the division of the city of Auburn ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of D. W. Kincaid and others, for an act of incorporation for a steam ferry company between Portland and Cape Eliza-

beth, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

H. R. 64. Bill "an act relating to savings banks," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of S. B. Swasey and others, with bill (H. R. 65) "an act to amend section 7, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on vessels ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James L. Tuell and others, with bill (H. R. 66) "an act to incorporate the East Machias Camp-Meeting Association ;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of E. C. Gates and others, with bill (H. R. 16) "an act to incorporate the Calais Trotting Park Association ;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 28) "an *155 act to incorporate the Maine State Association *for protection of fish," that the same ought to pass ;

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools, which was read.

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 26) "an act to provide for the taxation of dogs, and the preservation of sheep," which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. PALMER presented the petition of Simon F. Walker, for pay for services.

Mr. STEVENS presented (No. 7 S.) "resolve in favor of the towns of Anson, Solon and Lexington.

Mr. MORRISON proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the title by adding the words: "and Milford and Bradley," and to amend the resolve by adding, "and the towns of Milford and Bradley in Penobscot county, Milford twelve hundred dollars, Bradley one thousand dollars," which was adopted.

Mr. FOSTER presented the petition of Orin Foster and others, for bounty on bears.

Mr. EMERY presented the petition of John T. Crippin and others, for reimbursement on account of failure of State to give title to land.

The resolve and petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

The same Senator presented the petition of William F. Desisles and others, for authority to extend a wharf *into *156 tide waters in Lamoine, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The same Senator presented bill (S. 27) "an act to incorporate the New York and Maine Granite Company."

Mr. PRESCOTT presented the petition of George W. Johnson and others, for an act to incorporate the Carrabasset Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Canaan.

The bill and petition were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. FOSTER presented bill (S. 28) "an act relating to the Maine Central Institute," which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. HASKELL presented bill (S. 29) "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Fish Company," which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The same Senator presented the petition of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, with bill (S. 30) "an act additional to an act establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. EMERY presented the petition of David B. Ricker and others, for an act of incorporation for a granite company, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. PRESCOTT presented bill (S. 31) "an act to incorporate the Forest Slate Company," which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing bills and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the

expediency of granting pecuniary aid to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

*157 * On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the school mill tax that the municipal officers of the several towns in this State may be notified of the amount due the several towns as soon as the tax is apportioned to the towns, so that the same may be divided by said towns with the other school moneys raised by vote of the towns.

These orders were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the use of the Senate Chamber be tendered to the officers of the several savings banks in this State on Thursday afternoon next.

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

H. R. 38. "An act to incorporate the Hubbard and Blake Manufacturing Company;"

H. R. 5. "An act to incorporate the Stedman Slate Company;"

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

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at 11.05 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1875. *158

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PECKHAM of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Claims be instructed to investigate the claim of the town of Ft. Fairfield against the State, for money paid the State under the call of 1863, for soldiers;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 124 of the public laws of 1873, in relation to Free High Schools, by inserting immediately before the word "December" in the 12th line, the words "June and;" also of amending section 2, by striking out the word "decline," in the 8th line, and inserting the words "neglect or refuse at its annual meeting;" also of amending section 5 by inserting after the word "supervision" in the 12th line, the words "of a supervisor chosen by such district or districts; but if such district or districts neglect or decline to choose a supervisor, then such school shall be under the supervision of the supperintending school committee of such town;" also of amending section 8 by inserting immediately before the word "December," in the third line, the words "June and;"

* That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of *159 so amending chapter 124 of the public laws of 1873, relating to Free High Schools, as to authorize the State Treasurer to deduct from the school fund before it is apportioned, the amount annually expended by the State for the high schools;

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 220 of the private and special laws of 1869;

That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire into the expediency of amending the law so that the owners of small water powers which do a business of less than \$300 per year, shall not be allowed the right of flowage only for the time that is actually required for manufacturing purposes;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of further legislation to facilitate and simplify the proceedings in appeals from the decision of commissioners upon insolvent estates ;

That the same Committee inquire what further legislation, if any, is needed to secure the speedy construction of roads in case of urgent public necessity ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending our laws in relation to divorce, as to discourage the growing frequency of divorces granted by our courts ;

The Senate concurring, that the Committees of the Legislature be instructed to make their final report on or before the fifth day of February next ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of C. I. Barker and others, for a charter for a savings bank, with bill (H. R. 67) "an act to incorporate the Peoples' Savings Bank of Lewiston," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

*160 *Petition of O. B. Quinby and others, for change of ferry landing in Vinalhaven ;

Remonstrance of Joel Philbrook and others, against the same ;
Were referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Bluehill, for the repeal of the act of 1874, entitled "an act for the better protection of lobsters ;"

Petition of inhabitants of Mt. Desert ;

Petition of William Babbidge and others ;

Petition of J. T. R. Freeman and others ;

Petition of N. H. Carver and others ;

Petition of inhabitants of Swan's Island ;

Petition of inhabitants of St. George ;

Petition of William Rumery and others ;

Petition of R. L. Bowman and others ;

Petition of inhabitants of Isle au Haut ;

Petition of D. C. Stinson and others ;

Petition of R. J. Colby and others ;

Petition of inhabitants of Deer Isle ;—severally in aid of petition of inhabitants of Bluehill ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of the Assessors of Deer Isle, for adjustment of State valuation with the town of Isle au Haut, was referred to the Hancock County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of H. A. Lucas and others, for the abolition of the death penalty ;

H. R. 68. Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 32 of the revised statutes, relating to days of grace ;"

* Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence. *161

H. R. 69. Bill "an act to amend section 15 of chapter 72 of the revised statutes, relating to probate courts ;"

Petition of Joseph Farwell and others of Rockland, for change of law in relation to meeting-houses ;

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

Petition of William H. Brown and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill "an act to incorporate the Bald Hill Brick and Manufacturing Company ;"

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of J. W. Toward and others, for a pension for G. W. Ladd, was referred to Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

H. R. 71. Bill "an act additional to chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to damages for lands taken for railroad purposes ;"

H. R. 72. Bill "an act to extend the time for the location of the Georges Valley Railroad ;"

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

No. 8. H. "Resolve in favor of Rufus S. Coffin," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Harrison Berry and others, to have certain territory set off from Palermo and annexed *to the town of *162 Liberty, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of the town of Baldwin, for reimbursement of moneys expended on county road and bridge in said

town, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 7) "an act repealing the act contained in chapter 218 of the laws of 1871, relating to fencing railroads," with the same in a new draft, under title of "an act relating to fencing railroads," came from the House accepted and the bill read three times, amended per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

S. 24. Bill "an act to amend chapter 209, section 4 of the special laws of 1873, in relation to the Maine Poultry Association," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

The order providing for the appointment of a Joint Select Committee, "to consider in what manner the expenses of the State can be reduced," passed by the Senate, came from the House refused a passage.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

A communication was received from Hon. Silas C. Hatch, *163 State Treasurer elect, signifying his *acceptance of the trust, and transmitting his official bond.

The communication was read, and

On motion by Mr. HOLBROOK,

Ordered, That the bond be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 47. Bill "an act for the protection of owners of stolen bonds," was taken from the table.

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

Mr. KENT presented the petition of F. J. Brookings and others, for legislative action relating to national taxation;

Also the petition of Joseph D. Grover and others;

Also the petition of John Smith and others ;

Also the petition of Benj. L. Blagdon and others ;—severally in aid of the petition of F. J. Brookings and others, which were each referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. HASKELL presented the memorial of John T. Gilman, for an appropriation in aid of the Maine General Hospital, which was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

The same Senator presented the petition of the International Steamship Company, for the repeal of sections 39, 40 and 41 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to immigrants, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. ATWOOD presented bill (S. 32) "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The same Senator presented the petition of Nathaniel French, * with bill (S. 33) "an act to amend section 49 of *164 chapter 49 of the revised statutes," relating to insurance, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. HINCKLEY presented the petition of the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company, for extension of charter to Calais and Eastport.

Mr. HASKELL presented bill (S. 34) "an act to increase the capital stock of the Dirigo Slate Quarry Company and authorize the construction of a Tramway railroad."

The same Senator presented the petition of the Dirigo Slate Company, for increase of capital stock.

The bill and petitions were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. EMERY presented the petition of H. D. Coombs, for the division of the town of Gouldsboro' into voting districts, which was referred to the Committee on Towns.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of changing the close-time for taking trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary examine section

1, chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to judges of probate, and report what, if any amendments of the same are necessary.

On motion by Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 215 of the public laws of 1874, relating to damages on highways, so as to read after the words, "or *165 person," (sec. 65 chap. * 18, R. S.) "six months" instead of "sixty days."

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of B. L. Townsend and others, for the division of the city of Auburn, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill (H. R. 21) "an act to incorporate the Maine State Pure Blood Jersey Stock Association," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 21) "an act to incorporate the Petit Menan Cranberry Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. GOOLD, from the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of David Bugbee and others, reported bill (S. 12) "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Ellsworth Steamboat Company."

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of William B. Hayford and others, reported bill (S. 37) "an act to incorporate the town of Medway."

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Joint Select Committee on Maine State Year Book, on an order, reported (No. 9, S.) "resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual."

The 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:

*166 *H. R. 65. "An act to amend section 7, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on vessels;"

H. R. 66. "An act to incorporate the East Machias Camp-Meeting Association;"

H. R. 16: "An act to incorporate the Calais Trotting Park Association;"

H. R. 28. "An act to incorporate the Maine State Association for protection of fish;"

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:

S. 2. "An act authorizing Joseph Church and Company to extend a wharf into tide water in the town of Bristol;"

S. 15. "An act authorizing the Cumberland Bone Company to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Boothbay;"

H. R. 11. "An act to incorporate St. Omer Commandery, of Knights Templar;"

H. R. 45. "An act authorizing A. Martin and Sons to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Rockport harbor;"

H. R. 48. "An act to incorporate the Trescott Cheese Company;"

H. R. 46. "An act to make valid the assessment of taxes in the town of Verona for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

No. 5. H. "Resolve authorizing the county of Knox to procure a loan," which was finally passed in concurrence.

*And these several bills and resolve, having been signed *167 by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The Senate at 11 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HARDING of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House : Orders :

The Senate concurring, that the time for the reception and reference of all matters for legislation, except petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances, be and is hereby extended to January 30th; and that all matters presented after that date be referred to the next legislature without debate ;

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire whether any legislation is needed to secure uniformity in the weight of grain ;

That the Committee on Commerce inquire into the expediency of amending the act of 1874, establishing a ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven, so as to allow the town of Vinalhaven the privilege of establishing the ferry landing in said town ;

*168 * That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of enacting a law allowing towns and plantations in this State that do not and cannot receive any practical benefit from the free high school law, on account of the sparsity of their population and other reasons, and shall raise and expend for the education of their youth any sum not to exceed \$200 in excess of the amount now required by law, shall receive a like sum from the State Treasurer, to be appropriated among the several school districts of such towns and plantations, the same as all other school money is appropriated ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 215 of the laws of 1874, relating to notice and actions for damages on highways ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of legalizing the doings of the Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Lyndon in 1874 ;

That the same Committee report a bill to so amend sections 60 and 61 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, as to give the owners of a house on the land of another in the actual possession of the

owner, the benefits of the homestead exemption granted in said section ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing the "sheriff act," so called ; or if its repeal is regarded impracticable, of so amending the law that the fees and costs under the same may be less burdensome and oppressive ;

That the Committee on Railroads inquire if any legislation is needed for the better protection of life on mixed trains ;

That the Committee on Temperance inquire into the expediency of amending section 34, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, by the enactment of a provision * similar to the provisions *169 of the United States law for the prevention of smuggling ; that if in transit, the teams conveying liquors for illegal sale, known by their owners or employes to be such, shall also be declared contraband and forfeited ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That the State Superintendent of Schools cause to be printed 5,000 copies of the school laws of Maine, to include the laws of this legislature, and to send one copy of the same to every city and town in the State, came from the House read and passed, and was read.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by inserting after the word "town;" the words "town clerk, municipal officer and school committee."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of C. H. Whitney and others, for an act of incorporation as the Carmel, Hermon, Hampden and North Newburg Cheese Factory ;

Petition of Jos. C. Paine and others, for the incorporation of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Club of Edgecomb and Newcastle ;

Petition of D. S. Parker and others, for a law for the protection of moose ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of the President and Directors of the North Bank of Rockland, for extension of charter, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

*170 *Petition of William Rice and others, for enlargement of the draw in Arrowsic bridge;

H. R. 73. Bill "an act to authorize W. R. Sawyer to build, maintain and extend a wharf into the tide water in the town of Millbridge;"

Were severally referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

H. R. 74 Bill "an act to repeal sections 81 and 82 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in relation to teachers' institutes," was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Silas Hawes and others, against the recommendation of the Governor "for the practical discontinuance of the publication of the annual State Agricultural Report," was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Deer Isle, for the repeal of the act of March 3, 1874, relating to the taking of lobsters, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Jotham S. Works, for an act to incorporate the Piper Pond Dam Company of Abbot;

Petition of Richard Winslow and another, for a law regulating pilotage in Penobscot river;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

H. R. 75. Bill "an act to incorporate Mystic Tie Lodge No 7, Knights of Pythias of Saco, Maine;"

*171 Petition of L. H. Hutchinson and others, for an act *establishing a Municipal Court in the city of Auburn;

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

H. R. 76. Bill "an act to prevent the double taxation of mortgaged real estate;"

Petition of Simon Stevens and others, for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington;

Petition of Jonathan Darling and others, for change in the game laws;

Petition of inhabitants of Eastport, for authority to loan the credit of said town to aid in building a railroad, with bill (H. R. 77) "an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to vote aid towards building a railroad from tide waters within said town to connect with any shore line railroad ;"

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

H. R. 78. Bill "an act to incorporate the Monson Pearl Slate Company ;"

H. R. 79. Bill "an act to incorporate the North Windham Manufacturing Company ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of J. H. Bigelow and others, for the incorporation of the Livermore Mutual Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of Frank Straing, for pay for wood used at the encampment of troops at Bangor, was *referred to the *172 Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of John U. Hubbard and others, for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Augusta ;

Petition of O. W. Davis, Jr., and others, for a charter for a railroad from Milo to Brownville, with branch to Sebec village ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

No. 10, H. "Resolve in favor of Avis W. Young ;"

No. 11, H. "Resolve in favor of Sumner P. Bradford ;"

Petition of inhabitants of Perham plantation, for a grant of land in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad ;

Petition of Thomas Mathison of Oakfield, for lot of land ;

Petition of inhabitants of Oakfield, in aid of the same ;

Petition of G. P. Smith and others, for relief of expense of opening a road in township 6, range 4, west east line of the State ;

Petition of George H. Freeman, for deed of land ;

Petition of Otis J. Witham, for conveyance of land ;

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

Petition of J. H. Macomber, Jr., and others, for a law fixing the width of wheels on the roads in the town of Milo ;

Petition of M. L. Durgin and others of Milo, for an amendment of section 10, chapter 19 of the revised statutes, relating to the width of wheels used on certain roads;

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

*173 * Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to amending section 16 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to the time of killing birds, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill (H. R. 106) "an act to amend an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Corporation," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Card and others, for change in the porgie law, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. T. Saunders and others, for protection of trout in Wilson's pond, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of R. D. Cummings and others, for the protection of trout in certain streams in Prospect and Stockton, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Franklin Teague and others, for protection of eels in Damariscotta river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Warren Leighton and others, for a law for the protection of herring, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John A. French and others, for change of close-time for fishing in the Androscoggin river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (S. 5) "an act relating to insurance and the office of Insurance Examiner," that *the same ought not to pass, came from the House accepted, and pending its acceptance by the Senate,

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That the report lie on the table.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Ole Hanson and others, with (No. 12, H.) "resolve in favor of Bant Hanson;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Tucker, with (No. 13, H.) "resolve in favor of John Tucker;"

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Bath for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the report be printed, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, to whom was referred the official bond of Hon. S. C. Hatch, 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.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the bond came from the House approved in concurrence, and was by the Secretary lodged *in the *175 office of the Secretary of State.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Stephen D. Jillson and others, for authority to take water from Moose pond in Otisfield to the outlet of Saturday pond, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD presented bill (S. 38) "an act to incorporate the Unity Park Association," which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The same Senator presented bill (S. 39) "an act to incorporate the Winterport Savings Bank," which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The same Senator presented the petition of Thomas Kennedy, for payment of expenses incurred in taking care of State paupers.

Mr. DONWORTH presented (No. 14, S.) "Resolve in favor of the town of Smyrna."

The petition and resolve were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. HINCKLEY presented the remonstrance of David Brown and others, against any reduction of the reports of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture.

Mr. STEVENS presented the remonstrance of B. M. Hight and others, against the same, which were each referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

*176 *Ordered*, That the Committee on Education inquire * what, if any, change is needed in the course of study prescribed for the normal schools.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether legislation is necessary to protect purchasers from the State of lands in unincorporated places, sold for non-payment of State taxes.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. GOOLD,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to devise some legislation which will compel a better observance of the statute defining the duties of town officers, relating to recording births, deaths and marriages, as set forth in chapter 59 of the revised statutes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Education, on bill (S. 25) "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. LORD, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 28) "an act relating to the Maine Central Institute," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the peti-

tion of Joseph T. Grant and others, reported bill (S. 40) "an act to incorporate the Woodbine Cemetery Association."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of David B. Ricker and others, reported bill (S. 41) "an act to incorporate the Bluehill Granite Company."

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 34) * "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid *177 the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

H. R. 47. "An act for the protection of owners of stolen bonds," which was read a second time, and pending the adoption of House amendments "A" and "B,"

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

H. R. 21. "An act to incorporate the Maine State Pure Blood Jersey Stock Association;" which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 21. "An act to incorporate the Petit Menan Cranberry Company;" which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve:

S. 12. "An act to incorporate the Bangor and Ellsworth Steamboat Company;"

S. 37. "An act to incorporate the town of Medway;"

No. 9, S. "Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual;"

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

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 12. "An act to incorporate the Waterville Slate Company;"

H. R. 15. "An act to make valid certain doings of the assessors and collector of the town of Naples;"

H. R. 17. "An act to incorporate the Elliottsville Star Slate Company;"

H. R. 19. "An act to revive and amend an act to incorporate the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society, and an act additional thereto;"

H. R. 29. "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Lincoln Masonic Fraternity;"

H. R. 32. "An act additional to an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company;"

H. R. 50. "An act authorizing George C. Lyman, Newton C. White and associates to build a wharf in tide waters at Sullivan;"

H. R. 51. "An act to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company;"

H. R. 52. "An act authorizing Augustus C. Savage and others to construct weirs between Mt. Desert and Bears island;"

H. R. 53. "An act to incorporate the Centre Livermore Cheese 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 by Mr. HOLBROOK,

The Senate at 11.10 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

* FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1875. *179

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Order:

That the Committee on Claims be directed to investigate the claim of the town of Mt. Desert against the State, for money paid the State under the call for soldiers of October, 1863, was read and passed in concurrence.

H. R. 80. Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Red Granite Company ;"

H. R. 81. Bill "an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Mutual Relief Association of Portland ;"

Petition of Reuben T. Jones and others, for an act of incorporation by the name of "The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England ;"

Petition of C. R. Whidden and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 82) "an act to incorporate the Calais Publishing Company ;"

Petition of Charles Rolf and others, for a lien on bark ;

Remonstrance of S. G. Cushman and others, against the abolition of the death penalty ;

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

*Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation of *180 one thousand dollars for furnishing seed and ploughing ;

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for salary of Priest, Governor and Lieut. Governor ;

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for completing school-houses ;

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for support of schools ;

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for the purchase of certain field notes of a survey of the lands of said tribe ;

Remonstrance of Penobscot Indians, against any change in the treaties between the State of Maine and said tribe ;

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

Petition of H. D. Coombs and others, citizens of Gouldsboro', for a division of said town into voting districts ;

Remonstrance of citizens of Hampden, against setting off a part of Hampden to the city of Bangor ;

Remonstrance of Selectmen of Montville and others, against the division of said town ;

Remonstrance of T. P. Thompson and others, against the division of Montville ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on an order relating to restricting the owners of certain small water powers as to the time of flowing lands, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition *181 of John E. Haley and others, for a lien *on bark, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John McIntire and others, for an amendment of sections 28 and 31 of chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to meeting-houses, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 3) "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes concerning mortgages and liens," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of D. Wellington and others, for the incorporation of the State of Maine Mineral and Stone Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Towns, on petition of inhabitants of Moro plantation to be incorporated into a town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of inhabitants of Gouldsboro', with bill (H. R. 83) "an act to repeal chapter 287 of the private and special laws of 1873, entitled 'an

act to authorize the town of Gouldsboro' to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town ;' "

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 55) "an act to incorporate the Dexter Park Association," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on bill (H. R. 84) "an act to authorize Charles B. Paine and others, to extend a wharf into tide waters at Eastport," that the same ought to pass ;

* Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each *182 read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Charles Deering, with bill (H. R. 85) "an act to authorize Charles Deering to extend his wharf at Bar Harbor, East Eden," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and,

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Benjamin Rider, with bill (H. R. 86) "an act to authorize Benjamin Rider to extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Islesboro' ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Henry B. Cleaves and others, with bill (H. R. 58) "an act authorizing Nathan Cleaves and Henry B. Cleaves to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Edmund N. Goodwin, with bill (H. R. 87) "an act authorizing Edmund N. Goodwin to build a wharf in York river ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. S. Eells, with bill (H. R. 22) "an act to authorize Albert S. Eells to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of C. H. Haskell, with bill (H. R. 88) "an act to authorize inhabitants of Steuben to build and maintain a wharf at north side of the bay ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Luther Maddocks, with bill (H. R. 89) "an act to authorize Luther Maddocks to extend a wharf in Boothbay harbor ;"

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (H. R. 43) "an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Paper Manufacturing Company," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass ;

*183 *Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, submitting (No. 15, H.) "resolve in relation to printing the reports of the Insurance Commissioner;"

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, on the petition of the county commissioners of said county, with (No. 16, H.) "resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan;"

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

S. 16. Bill "an act authorizing T. L. Roberts to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Eden," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheet "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator, the bill was taken from the table and the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Mr. CUSHING presented the petition of H. E. and W. G. Alden, for authority to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Camden harbor, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. HASKELL presented bill (S. 43) "an act amendatory of and additional to an act entitled 'an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company,'" which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The petition and bill were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HOLBROOK,

Ordered, That a message be conveyed by the Secretary to

*184 *the Governor and Council, informing them that Hon.

Silas C. Hatch has been duly elected State Treasurer for the current fiscal year, that he has signified his acceptance of the office and filed his official bond, which has been duly examined and approved by the Legislature and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish this Legislature with a detailed statement of all appropriations and

donations of money granted by the Legislature of this State for the last five years, and for what purpose granted.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to ascertain what further legislation is necessary to protect executors in the payment of legacies where the legatee has deceased, or where it cannot be ascertained whether the legatee is living or not.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 125 of the public laws of 1873, (relating to liens on animals).

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 255 of the public laws of 1874, (relating to punishment for intoxication).

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 48, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, that the time allowed for filing accounts in set off in the Supreme Judicial Court, may be extended to any number of days or during term.

* Severally sent down for concurrence.

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Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill (S. 23) "an act to authorize Charles W. Howard to dredge a bar in Rangely lake and navigate said lake by steam," reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 59, chapter 11 of the revised statutes by striking out the words, "and all necessary traveling expenses," reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. FOSTER, from the same Committee, on the annual report of the Attorney General, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the account of the Railroad Commissioners, reported that the Commissioners have leave to withdraw.

The reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill (S. 38) "an act to incorporate the Unity Park Association," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of the International Steamship Company, reported bill (S. 35) "an act to repeal sections 39, 40 and 41 of chapter 24 of revised statutes, in relation to paupers.

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

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on *186 the *petition of the County Commissioners of Knox county, for reimbursement by the State of the expenses incurred in the trial of Charles T. Robbins, reported (No. 18, S.) "resolve in favor of the county of Knox," with a statement of facts, and that the same be printed for the consideration of the Legislature.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order, reported (No. 19, S.) "resolve in aid of repairing the road from Abbot to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis."

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

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

S. 21. Bill "an act to incorporate the Petit Menan Cranberry Company," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

The bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

H. R. 85. Bill "an act to authorize Charles Deering to extend his wharf at Bar Harbor, East Eden," was taken from the table.

The bill was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

These bills were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

* H. R. 7. Bill "an act relating to fencing railroads," *187 was taken from the table.

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

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

No. 12, H. "Resolve in favor of Bant Hanson;"

No. 13, H. "Resolve in favor of John Tucker;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

S. 28. "An act relating to the Maine Central Institute;"

S. 40. "An act to incorporate the Woodbine Cemetery Association;"

S. 41. "An act to incorporate the Bluehill Granite Company;"

H. R. 34. "An act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county;"

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:

S. 4. "An act additional to an act approved March 24, 1863, entitled 'an act to confer certain powers on the city of Portland;'"

H. R. 5. "An act to incorporate the Stedman Slate Company;"

S. 10. "An act to incorporate the Winterport Cheese and Butter Factory;"

H. R. 35. "An act to incorporate the Morrill Cheese and Butter Factory Company;"

H. R. 38. "An act to incorporate the Hubbard and Blake Manufacturing Company;"

* Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence. *188

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

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 11.35 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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* SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

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

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

Ordered, That during the absence of the President, Hon. L. A. Emery be President *pro tempore*.

Mr. Emery was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Haskell of Cumberland and Mr. Corthell of Washington, and in accepting the office returned thanks for the honor conferred.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, informing the Executive Department that in the absence of the President, Hon. L. A. Emery has been chosen President *pro tempore*.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that branch that in the absence of the President, Hon. L. A. Emery has been chosen President *pro tempore*.

The messages were conveyed by the Secretary.

*190 *Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending paragraph 5, section 6 of chapter 6 of the

revised statutes, that neat stock less than three years old shall be exempt from taxation ;

That the Committee on Claims be directed to investigate the claim of the town of Vinalhaven against the State for money paid the State for soldiers under the call of October, 1863 ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire and report what additional legislation, if any, is required to enable holders of bills of banks, for which receivers have been appointed under the law, to realize dividends from the assets of such banks some time during their natural lives, if they live to the common age of man ;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of giving the movers of buildings a lien thereon, as is now given builders and repairers thereon ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of assessors of Lakeville plantation, for reimbursement for money lost in transit, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Ira Johnson and others, for a normal school in northern Maine, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Charles O. Kilborn and others, for a law prohibiting the taking of fish from Otter pond in Bridgton for a term of years ;

Petition of C. A. Rust and others, for the repeal of the act of 1874, relating to the taking of lobsters ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

* Credentials of Mitchell Paul Susup, Representative of *191 the Penobscot Indians, were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of W. F. Hallett and others, in aid of the petitions for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of E. H. Hayden, for deed of land ;

No. 20, H. "Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young ;"

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

Remonstrance of citizens of Dalton, against changing the name of said town, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Warren and others, for the repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of Joseph Farwell and others, for change in the laws relating to meeting-houses, that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending the law in relation to actions for damages on highways, so as to require that the selectmen or road commissioners shall have previous notice of the defect, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. E. *192 Brainard and others, for a law making the provisions * of sections 17 and 18 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, applicable to the annual shows and fairs of agricultural societies, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H..R. 25) "an act to secure the payment of laborers upon railroads," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order relating to a change in the law of divorce, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Nash and others, for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the protection of pedestrians on public highways against fast driving within the limits of cities and villages, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to damages for lands on account of the location of town roads, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 76) "an act to

prevent the double taxation of mortgaged real estate," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Dennis Getchell and others, for pay for stumpage on lands, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for a law requiring the County Commissioners of Cumberland county to lay out a highway in tide waters of * Portland harbor for a ferry landing, that *193 the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of D. C. N. Webster, with bill (H. R. 90) "an act for the extension of the wharf of Dorcas C. N. Webster in Eastport;"

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county, for reimbursement for money, with (No. 21, H.) "resolve in favor of the county of Aroostook;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill (H. R. 37) "an act to incorporate the St. Augustine School for Boys at Topsham," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of N. E. Carpenter and others, with bill (H. R. 91) "an act to incorporate the Wytovitlock Lake Dam Company;"

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (H. R. 30) "an act to incorporate the North Wales Slate Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Edward Partridge and others, with bill (H. R. 92) "an act to incorporate the Prospect and Stockton Cheese Company;"

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (H. R. 44) "an act to incorporate the Menhaden Fire and Marine Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Cumberland County Central Railroad Company, with bill (H. R. 33) "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Cumberland County Central Railroad;"

* Report of the Committee on State Lands and State *194 Roads, on the Governor's Address, relating to Swedish and

French settlers, with (No. 22, H.) "resolve in favor of schools in Woodland and Perham plantations ;"

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

Report of the Committee on Towns, on the petition of inhabitants of Talmage plantation, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 93) "an act to incorporate the town of Talmage in the county of Washington ;

Was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

S. 25. Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. HALL presented bill (S. 44) "an act to incorporate the Burleigh Lumber Manufacturing Company," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator presented bill (S. 45) "an act to regulate the rate of interest," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. STEVENS presented the petition of Thomas Hutchins and others, for a bounty on bears, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. CORTHELL presented the petition of W. Hatherway and others, for the incorporation of the Washington County *195 Relief * Association, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The bill and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 157 of the private and special laws of 1874.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending-chapter 248 of the public laws of 1874.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Bridges inquire

into the expediency of the law imposing on towns the expense of building and maintaining bridges on county roads.

On motion by Mr. HOLBROOK,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of legislation to enable the Land Agent to complete sales of all State lands.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of inhabitants of East Hampden to be set off from Hampden and annexed to the city of Bangor, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on bill (H. R. 13) "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, abolishing the office of Land Agent," reported the same in a new draft, (S. 46) under title of "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive *all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 *196 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend section 4 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes," and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Cumberland County Delegation, on bill (H. R. 36) "an act to amend, so far as the county of Cumberland is concerned, the sixth section of chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, entitled 'an act to improve the jail system of the State,'" reported the same in a new draft, (S. 47) under the title of "an act to amend, so far as the county of Cumberland is concerned, chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State."

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of the city of Bangor, reported bill (S. 48) "an act for supplying the city of Bangor with water."

These reports were 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 :

H. R. 83. "An act to repeal chapter 287 of the private and special laws of 1873, entitled 'an act to authorize the town of Gouldsboro' to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town;'"

H. R. 55. "An act to incorporate the Dexter Park Association;"

H. R. 84. "An act to authorize Charles B. Paine and others to extend a wharf into tide waters at Eastport;"

H. R. 86. "An act to authorize Benjamin Rider to extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Islesboro';"

H. R. 58. "An act authorizing Nathan Cleaves and Henry B. Cleaves to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay;"

*197 *H. R. 87. "An act authorizing Edmund N. Goodwin to build a wharf in York river;"

H. R. 22. "An act to authorize Albert S. Eells to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor;"

H. R. 88. "An act to authorize inhabitants of Steuben to build and maintain a wharf at north side of the bay;"

H. R. 89. "An act to authorize Luther Maddocks to extend a wharf in Boothbay harbor;"

H. R. 43. "An act to incorporate the Bowdoin Paper Manufacturing Company;"

No. 15, H. "Resolve in relation to printing the reports of the Insurance Commissioner;"

No. 16, H. "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 same Committee also reported the following bill and resolve:

S. 38. "An act to incorporate the Unity Park Association;"

No. 19, S. "Resolve in aid of repairing the road from Abbot to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis;"

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

H. R. 7. "An act relating to fencing railroads," which was

read a second time, and pending the adoption of House amendment "A,"

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

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

S. 6. "An act to incorporate the Cranberry Isles * Mutual Fish Company;" *198

S. 7. "An act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis;"

S. 9. "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association,' approved March 23, 1870;"

S. 24. "An act to amend chapter 209, section 4 of the special laws of 1873, in relation to the Maine Poultry Association;"

H. R. 28. "An act to incorporate the Maine State Association for protection of fish;"

H. R. 65. "An act to amend section 7, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on vessels;"

H. R. 66. "An act to incorporate the East Machias Camp-Meeting Association;"

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.

Information was received from the House, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, that Mr. Morse of Bangor, having been excused from further attendance at this session of the Legislature, had resigned his position on the Committee on Railroads, and Mr. Barron of Topsham had been appointed to the vacancy.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet on Monday next at 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion by Mr. HINCKLEY,

The Senate at 10.20 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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* MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 2, P. M.

The President resumed the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. THOMAS of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Claims be directed to investigate the claim of Eustis plantation against the State, for money paid the State under the call for soldiers of October 1863;

That the same Committee be directed to investigate the claim of the town of Deer Isle against the State for money paid the State, for soldiers under the call of October 1863;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of the repeal of the public laws of 1873, relating to Free High Schools;

That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 301 of the resolves of 1874, relating to dividends of the Penobscot Indians;

That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of giving a person who labors on a farm a lien on the productions of said farm;

*200 That the same Committee inquire into the expediency * of amending section 33 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes by adding after the word "judge," in the third and sixth lines of said section, the words, "or the official reporter of the court;"

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Ouilett stream in the plantation of Francis;

That the same Committee inquire into the claims of Desire Violette, John Parent, William Hartt, Joseph Dubay, and Jeremiah Dubay, for lots of land;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve in aid of a road through township Letter F and Hamlin plantation;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. GOOLD moved a call of the Senate.

The roll was called with the following result :

PRESENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Donworth,
Foss,	Goold,	Haskell,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Webb—14.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Cutler,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foster,	French,	Hall,
Hanson,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Prescott,	Rounds,
Russell,	Thurlough—17.	

And there was not a quorum present.

On motion by Mr. GOOLD,

* The Senate at 2.20 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

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SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. JONES of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Henry T. Knowles and others, to be set off from Township No. 7, range 5, and annexed to Moro plantation ;

Petition of J. C. Leighton and others, for the repeal of the act of 1369, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

Were referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

H. R. 94. Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Louis M. Partridge of Stockton," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Nelson Mullin, for authority to build a wharf into tide waters in North Haven ;

Petition of Ira D. Sturgis and others, for enlargement of draw in bridge between Arrowsic and Woolwich ;

*202 * Were referred to the Committee on Commerce in concurrence.

Petition of Amos J. Osgood and others, for the incorporation of the Cumberland Centre Agricultural Society, came from the House referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The Senate non-concurred, and referred the petition to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of C. H. Doughty and others, for an act of incorporation as the Maysville Slate Company ;

Petition of Henry Ward, for a decree of divorce ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

H. R. 95. Bill "an act to incorporate the York Brick Company ;"

H. R. 96. Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Thorndike, for the incorporation of a fire insurance company in said town, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

H. R. 97. Bill "an act authorizing pensions for soldiers' and seamen's orphans in Female Orphan Asylum in Portland and Children's Home in Bangor," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Smith of Appleton, for pension * or *203 State aid, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of John W. Hilton and others, in aid of the petitions for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of David Doe, for deed of lot of land ;

Petition of George W. Kallock, for deed of lot of land ;

Petition of John Ryan, for deed of land ;

Petition of A. Wiren, for lot of land ;

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

Petition of N. J. Vander Weyde and others, for a law authorizing a voting precinct on Hurricane Island in the town of Vinalhaven, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (H. R. 69) "an act to amend section 15 of chapter 72 of the revised statutes, relating to probate courts," that the same ought not to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of C. H. Whitney and others, with bill (H. R. 108) "an act to incorporate the Carmel, Hermon, Hampden and North Newburg Cheese Factory," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph C. *204 Paine and others, with bill (H. R. 98) "an act to *incorporate the Edgecomb and Newcastle Farmers' and Mechanics' Club;"

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill (H. R. 57) "an act to incorporate the Portland Safe Deposit Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Eastern and Mercantile Banks of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland, with bill (H. R. 99) "an act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mercantile Bank both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 56) "an act to incorporate the Saccarappa Savings Bank," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of E. G. Willard and others, and on an order, with bill (H. R. 100) "an act to regulate the inspection of fish;"

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Fayette Shaw and others, with bill (H. R. 101) "an act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Boat Company;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Mellen Gilmore and another, with bill (H. R. 102) "an act to authorize Mellen Gilmore and Luther T. Gilmore to build wharves and piers;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Bangor Water Company, with bill (H. R. 103) "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to supply the city of Bangor with pure water;'"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 104) "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 4 in the town of Lamoine;"

*205 *Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Amity, with bill (H. R. 109) "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Amity;"

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 William F. Haskell and others, with bill (H. R. 105) "an act to make valid the doings of School District number two in the town of Monroe,"

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

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 20) "an act to protect the rights of the owners of Petit Menan Point in the town of Steuben," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 19) "an act to incorporate the National Temperance Camp-meeting Association," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Seth E. Bryant and others, with bill (H. R. 60) "an act to incorporate the Arundel Mutual Relief Society;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 77) "an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to vote aid towards building a railroad from tide waters within said town to connect with any shore line railroad," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 59) "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Martha's Grove Camp-meeting Association,'" that the same ought to pass;

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

* S. 45. Bill "an act to regulate the rate of interest," *206 referred by the Senate to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, came from the House non-concurred and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That the Senate insist upon its former vote.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following bills:

S. 35. "An act to repeal sections thirty-nine, forty and forty-one of chapter twenty-four of revised statutes, in relation to paupers;"

S. 46. "An act to repeal chapter three hundred and fourteen of the resolves of eighteen hundred seventy-four, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter three hundred and fourteen of the resolves of eighteen hundred seventy-four, and to amend section four of chapter five of the revised statutes;"

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. HASKELL presented the following :

Ordered, That the Secretary, in making up pay of Senators for travel, compute the distance travelled one way only.

The order was read, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Mr. ATWOOD presented bill (S. 49) "an act to incorporate the South Pittsfield and Burnham Cheese Factory Company," which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. FOSS presented bill (S. 50) "an act to make valid the *207 organization of the Brown Slate Quarrying Company, *and to change the number of shares and par value thereof in the stock of said company," which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 51) "an act relating to mutual fire insurance companies," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The bills were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 27) "an act to incorporate the New York and Maine Granite Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. PALMER, from the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, on an order of the Legislature, reported that the Committee had contracted with Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash to do the State printing for the current year, and submitted the contract.

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

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, reported bill (S. 52) "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 18) "an act to amend section 12 of chapter 3 of revised statutes,

relating to highway surveyors, reported that the same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the bills each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

*The Committee on bills in the Second Reading reported *208 the following bills and resolves :

H. R. 90. "An act for the extension of the wharf of Dorcas C. N. Webster in Eastport ;"

No. 21, H. "Resolve in favor of the county of Aroostook ;"

H. R. 37. "An act to incorporate St. Augustine School for Boys at Topsham ;"

H. R. 91. "An act to incorporate the Wytopitlock Lake Dam Company ;"

H. R. 30. "An act to incorporate the North Wales Slate Company ;"

H. R. 92. "An act to incorporate the Prospect and Stockton Cheese Company ;"

H. R. 44. "An act to incorporate the Menhaden Fire and Marine Insurance Company ;"

H. R. 33. "An act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Cumberland County Central Railroad ;"

No. 22, H. "Resolve in favor of schools in Woodland and Perham plantations ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 25. "An act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 47. "An act to amend, so far as the county of Cumberland is concerned, chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*The same Committee also reported the following bill : *209

S. 48. "An act for supplying the city of Bangor with water," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and be printed.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed, bill (S. 44) "an act to incorporate the Burleigh Lumber Manufacturing Company."

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

H. R. 93. Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Talmage, in the county of Washington," was taken from the table and read a second time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 7. Bill "an act relating to fencing railroads," was taken from the table, and

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That it be recommitted to the Committee on Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. KENT,

The rules were suspended, and the vote was reconsidered, whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of Franklin Teague and others, for an
*210 act for the protection * of eels in Damariscotta river and ponds, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the report be recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at 11.20 o'clock A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRAWFORD of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Order:

That the Committee on State Prison inquire into the expediency of amending section 9, chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, so as to give the Inspectors of State prison and jails authority to transfer prisoners from one jail to another, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Augustus Welt and others, for a law to prevent the erection of weirs in Medomak river, with bill (H. R. 110) "an act to protect Medomak river," * was referred to the *211 Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

H. R. 111. Bill "an act further regulating appeals from the probate courts in certain cases, and for other purposes ;"

H. R. 112. Bill "an act to amend an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville ;"

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

Petition of Augustus Welt and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill (H. R. 113) "an act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Remonstrance of John Greeley and others, against setting off a part of Palermo and annexing the same to the town of Liberty, was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of George Burnham and others ;

Petition of Selectmen of Newry ;

Petition of George W. Ryerson and others ;

Petition of E. A. Mitchell and others ;—severally in aid of the

petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, for repeal of the law of 1868, authorizing a toll on the bridge at Barker's ferry in Bethel;

Were each referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of H. B. Latham and others, against the petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

*212 *Remonstrance of Daniel Haraden and others;

Remonstrance of J. G. Dickerson and others;—severally against the extension of the time for locating and completing the Bay and River Railroad;

Were each referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Counties, on the petition of inhabitants of Lincoln and others, for the incorporation of the county of Appleton, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of Joseph Starrett and others, for the repeal of the act establishing free high schools, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

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

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William Gilchrist and others, for an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 3 in St. George, that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Thomas Herbert and others, with bill (H. R. 114) "an act to incorporate the Bristol Agricultural Society and Farmers' Club;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Continental Mills, with bill (H. R. 115) "an act authorizing the Continental Mills to reduce the par value of its stock and to issue new shares;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 116) "an

*213 act to amend chapter 113 *of the revised statutes, relating to relief of poor debtors," that the same ought to pass;

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

H. R. 34. Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the annual report of the Agent of the Passamaquoddy Indians, which was read.

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ROUNDS presented the petition of John T. Randall and others, for a charter for a savings bank at Auburn.

Mr. MORRISON presented the petition of Chas. Meguire and others, for a charter for a savings bank *in Corinth. *214

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. RICHARDSON presented the remonstrance of Reuben Sibley and others;

Also remonstrance of A. D. French and others;

Also remonstrance of W. H. Simpson and others;

Also remonstrance of E. H. Harriman and others;—severally against the extension of the time for locating the Bay and River Railroad;

Which were each referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. HINCKLEY presented the petition of William Conary, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters at Bluehill Falls.

Mr. CUSHING presented bill (S. 53) "an act to incorporate the Camden Marine Railway Company."

The petition and bill were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. SWASEY presented the petition of John W. Howe and others, for an act incorporating a cheese manufacturing company in Canton and Dixfield.

Mr. FOSTER presented the petition of Silvanus Poor and others, for the incorporation of a cheese factory in the town of Andover.

Mr. FRENCH presented the petition of L. F. Pike and others, for the incorporation of the Wayne Cheese Company.

These several petitions were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. SWASEY presented the petition of A. P. Hutchinson and others, for change in the close-time for taking trout in the Androscoggin river and its tributaries.

Mr. FOSTER presented the petition of A. K. Knapp and others, for the protection of fish in Howard's pond in Hanover.

*215 *These petitions were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. PALMER presented the remonstrance of Joseph Sockelaxis, against change of election laws of the Penobscot Indians, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. STEVENS presented the petition of Moses Williams and others, for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Augusta, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The same Senator presented the petition of S. D. Greenlief and others, asking that counties be required to build and maintain certain bridges, which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of changing the laws in reference to the distribution of the State school funds among the several towns in this State.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HINCKLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 259 of the public laws of 1874.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Nathaniel French, with bill (S. 33) for the amendment of section 49 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, in relation to insurance, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, on *the *216 petition of B. H. Batchelder and others, for the division of the town of Montville and the incorporation of the town of Richland, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of William Ayer and others to be set off from the town of Montville and annexed to the town of Liberty, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 13) "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators," reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator presented the minority report of the same Committee, on the same subject, submitting bill (S. 54) "an act to amend chapter 262 of the public laws of 1874, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons."

Pending the acceptance of the report,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and that the minority report be printed.

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Cyrus H. Phillips and others, for repeal of chapter 379 of the laws of 1846, relating to migratory fishes, reported bill (S. 55) "an act repealing chapter 379 of acts and resolves of 1846, and amending section 50 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes." •

The report was accepted and the bill laid over *to be *217 printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill (S. 49) "an act to incorporate the South Pittsfield and Burnham Cheese Factory Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. ROUNDS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on

bill (S. 39) "an act to incorporate the Winterport Savings Bank," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. HYDE, from the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of William F. Desisles and others, reported bill (S. 56) "an act to authorize William F. Desisles and others to build a wharf in tide waters at Lamoine.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of H. E. and W. G. Alden, reported bill (S. 57) "an act to authorize H. E. and W. G. Alden to extend wharves in Camden harbor."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Michael Hurley, reported bill (S. 58) "an act authorizing Michael Hurley to extend his wharf at the west end of Union river bridge in Ellsworth into the waters of said Union river."

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Mary L. Webb, reported (No. 23, S.) "resolve granting a pension to Charles W. Owen."

The 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:

*218 H. R. 98. "An act to incorporate the Edgecomb and *Newcastle Farmers' and Mechanics' Club;"

H. R. 57. "An act to incorporate the Portland Safe Deposit Company;"

H. R. 99. "An act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mercantile Bank, both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland;"

H. R. 56. "An act to incorporate the Saccarappa Savings Bank;"

H. R. 100. "An act to regulate the inspection of fish;"

H. R. 101. "An act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Boat Company;"

H. R. 102. "An act to authorize Mellen Gilmore and Luther V. Gilmore to build wharves and piers;"

H. R. 103. "An act additional to an act entitled 'an act to supply the city of Bangor with pure water;'"

H. R. 104. "An act to legalize the doings of School District No. 4 in the town of Lamoine;"

S. 20. "An act to protect the rights of the owners of Petit Menan point in the town of Steuben ;"

S. 19. "An act to incorporate the National Temperance Camp-Meeting Association ;"

H. R. 60. "An act to incorporate the Arundel Mutual Relief Society ;"

H. R. 77. "An act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to vote aid towards building a railroad from tide waters within said town to connect with any shore line railroad ;"

H. R. 59. "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Martha's Grove Camp-Meeting Association ;"

H. R. 109. "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Amity ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

* S. 35. "An act to repeal sections 39, 40 and 41 of *219 chapter 24 of the revised statutes, in relation to paupers," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 46. "An act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend section 4 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently the foregoing vote was reconsidered, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 27. "An act to incorporate the New York and Maine Granite Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 88. "An act to authorize inhabitants of Steuben to build and maintain a wharf at the north side of the bay ;"

H. R. 89. "An act to authorize Luther Maddocks to extend a wharf in Boothbay harbor ;"

H. R. 87. "An act authorizing Edmund N. Goodwin to build a wharf in York river ;"

H. R. 43. "An act to incorporate the Bowdoin Paper Manufacturing Company ;"

*220 *H. R. 86. "An act to authorize Benjamin Rider to extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Islesboro' ;"

H. R. 16. "An act to incorporate the Calais Trotting Park Association ;"

H. R. 55. "An act to incorporate the Dexter Park Association ;"

H. R. 84. "An act to authorize Charles B. Paine and others to extend a wharf into tide waters at Eastport ;"

H. R. 85. "An act to authorize Charles Deering to extend his wharf at Bar Harbor, East Eden ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 12, H. "Resolve in favor of Bant Hanson ;"

No. 13, H. "Resolve in favor of John Tucker ;"

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 by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 47. Bill "an act for the protection of owners of stolen bonds," was taken from the table.

The pending question was the adoption of House amendments "A" and "B."

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "C," to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause and insert the following :

SECTION 1. *All actions to recover bonds, obligations or coupons of the same, issued by any city or town in this State, and heretofore stolen or obtained by robbery from the owner thereof, and which are now overdue or payable, shall be commenced within one year from the first day of March. A. D. 1875, and not afterwards ; and if not now overdue or payable, within eighteen months from the time they become due or payable, and not afterwards ; but this act shall not*

apply to any action commenced by the person from whom such bonds, obligations or coupons were stolen or obtained by robbery.

SECT. 2. *This act shall take effect when approved.*

Pending the adoption of this amendment,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and be printed as amended by amendment "C."

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 25. Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

* Sent down for concurrence.

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On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

The communication from the Governor, relating to the expenses of the Insurance Department, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

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.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

The Senate at 11.30 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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* THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. NUTTING of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on Claims inquire into the claim of the town of Linneus, for reimbursement of money paid the State under the call for soldiers of 1863;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 6, of chapter 63 of the revised statutes, as to authorize the granting of administration on the estate of persons who have been absent from home and unheard from, the term of time affording presumption of death at common law, upon satisfactory proof of such absence before the Judge of Probate;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of allowing actions of trespass *quare clausum* to be brought in the same manner as provided by statute for personal and transitory actions;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to insurance, that no change of title or lien, or incumbrance upon the property insured, shall prevent a party recovering to the extent of his interest, in the absence of all fraud;

*223 * Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of P. C. Tarbox and others, in aid of the petition of W. H. Stevens and others, for a charter for a savings bank at Lewiston, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Blanchard, for the incorporation of the Cumberland Center Farmers' Club, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Stilman A. Reed, for abatement of State tax of the town of Roxbury, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Credentials of John Dana, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians;

Remonstrance of Mitchel Paul Susup, of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians, against change of election laws;

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

H. R. 117. Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Washington," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Hewins and others, for the abolition of the death penalty, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

H. R. 118. Bill "an act to amend section 4, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization;"

* Petition of E. B. Ham and another of Appleton, for *224 legalization of the doings of the town officers of said town;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of George L. Bucknam and others, for repeal of the act of 1869, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington;

Petition of William H. Leighton and others, in aid of the same;
Were each referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Petition of Washington Carleton of Stetson, for a State pension, for injury received in the Aroostook war, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Chandler Baker and others, for aid in repairing bridges at the Forks of the Kennebec and Moose rivers, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of John Allen of Maysville, for payment of claim against the State, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on the petition of John Smith and others, for legislation relating to national taxation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Magloire Michaud and others, for reimbursement for timber cut on his *225 land, that the petitioners * have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of George W. Ayer, for State aid, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the petition of Samuel Beals and others, for abatement of State valuation of Arrowsic, that the petitioners have to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the protection of parties against the misconduct of juries, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the official reports in trial courts, reporting the evidence in equity cases, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the expression of opinions by judges in their charges to juries, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Nathaniel T. Talbot and others, for the passage of bill (H. R. 26) "an act to incorporate the Rockport Ice Company," that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, came from the House accepted.

The Senate non-concurred and recommitted the report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of M. E. Rice and others, for the incorporation of the Bridgewater Cheese Manufacturing Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

*226 * Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of William Prince and others, with bill (H. R. 119) "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Farmers' Club ;"

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of C. W. and Mary A. Tibbetts, for compensation for caring for small pox patients, with (No. 24, II.) "resolve in favor of Charles W. and Mary A. Tibbetts ;"

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on (No. 4, S.) "resolve in favor of the Maine Centennial Board," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on an order, with bill (H. R. 120) "an act to repeal chapter 187 of the public laws of 1874, relating to the Insane Hospital;"

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Selectmen of Brewer, with bill (H. R. 121) "an act to empower the town of Brewer to establish wharf limits;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 122) "an act to amend section 148 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to abatement of taxes;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Leonard Hilton and others, with (No. 25, H) "resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Sterling, with (No. 26, H.) "resolve in favor of John Sterling;"

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

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John * A. Rowe, with (No. 27, H.) "resolve in favor of John A. *227 Rowe," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve was read once, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of E. W. Sprague, with (No. 28, H.) "resolve in favor of Ether W. Sprague," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve was read once, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Silas Colborn and others, for aid upon the road from Patten to Golden Ridge road in Sherman, with (No. 29, H.) "resolve in favor of Crystal plantation in the county of Aroostook," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve was read once, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the same Committee, on (No. 3, H.) "resolve in favor of roads passing through the Indian township," with the same in a new draft, under title of "resolve in favor of roads passing through the Indian township in Washington county," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve was read once, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Thomas Ball and William P. Ball, with (No. 30, H.) "resolve in favor of Thomas Ball and William P. Ball;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Sarah J. Vance, for conveyance of land, with (No. 31, H.) "resolve in favor of Sarah J. Vance;"

*228 *Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (H. R. 62) "an act to prevent fraud in certain cases," that the same ought to pass;

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

H. R. 123. "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," 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:

S. 52. "An act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers;"

S. 18. "An act to amend section 12 of chapter 3 of revised statutes, relating to highway surveyors;"

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Bank Examiner for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether

any further legislation, under chapter 81 of the revised statutes, is necessary to protect the rights of attaching creditors.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs *inquire *229 into the expediency of amending chapter 406 of the laws of 1850.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of A. S. Brown, reported bill (S. 17) "an act conferring additional powers upon the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to railroads."

Mr. EMERY, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 32) "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, on bill (S. 1) "an act to establish the death penalty," and on bill (S. 3) "an act to amend chapter 135 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in capital cases," reported the same subject in a new draft, under title of bill (S. 59) "an act to fix the punishment for murder and arson," and that it ought to pass.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill (H. R. 1) "an act to amend chapter 124, section 28 of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals," reported the same (as S. 60) 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. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of H. A. DeWitt and others, reported bill (S. 61) "an act for the protection of Moose."

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of L. H. Hutchinson and others, reported bill (S. 62) "an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn."

* Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Railroads, on bill *230 (S. 30) "an act additional to an act establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 43) "an

act amendatory of and additional to an act entitled 'an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company,' " 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.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the course of study in normal schools, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 114. "An act to incorporate the Bristol Agricultural Society and Farmers' Club ;"

H. R. 115. "An act authorizing the Continental Mills to reduce the par value of its stock and to issue new shares ;"

H. R. 116. "An act to amend chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to relief of poor debtors ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

S. 49. "An act to incorporate the South Pittsfield and Burnham Cheese Factory Company ;"

*231 *S. 39. "An act to incorporate the Winterport Savings Bank ;"

S. 56. "An act to authorize William F. Desisles and others to build a wharf in tide waters at Lamoine ;"

S. 57. "An act to authorize H. E. and W. G. Alden to extend wharves in Camden harbor ;"

S. 58. "An act authorizing Michael Hurley to extend his wharf at the west end of Union River bridge in Ellsworth into the waters of said Union river ;"

No. 23 S. "Resolve granting a pension to Charles W. Owen ;"

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 :

H. R. 83. "An act to repeal chapter 287 of the private and special laws of 1873, entitled 'an act to authorize the town of Gouldsboro' to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town ;' "

H. R. 22. "An act to authorize Albert S. Eells to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor ;"

H. R. 58. "An act authorizing Nathan Cleaves and Henry B. Cleaves to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay ;"

S. 40. "An act to incorporate the Woodbine Cemetery Association ;"

S. 41. "An act to incorporate the Bluehill Granite Company ;"

S. 28. "An act relating to the Maine Central Institute ;"

S. 21. "An act to incorporate the Petit Menan Cranberry Company ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 16, H. "Resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan ;"

* No. 15, H. "Resolve in relation to printing the reports *232 of the Insurance Commissioner ;"

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 by Mr. SWASEY,

No. 18, S. "Resolve in favor of the county of Knox," was taken from the table.

The resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the following :

Ordered, That the State Superintendent of Schools cause to be printed five thousand copies of the school laws of Maine, to include the school laws of this Legislature, and to send one copy of

the same to every city and town, town clerk, municipal officer and School Committee in the State.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The order was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Information was received from the House by S. J. Chadbourne, Esq., its Clerk, that Mr. Reed of Boothbay had been appointed to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Military Affairs, occasioned by the action of the House in declaring Mr. Reed duly elected a member of the House in place of Mr. Montgomery.

That Mr. Smith of Jonesport had been appointed on the
*233 Committee on State Lands and State Roads to fill the *vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Gilpatrick of Somerville.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The following order was taken from the table :

Ordered, That the Secretary in making up pay of Senators for travel, compute the distance travelled one way only.

Mr. HOLBROOK proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the word "*Ordered*," and insert the following :

That the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, in making up the travel of Senators and Representatives, follow the rule laid down in the constitution, which provides that their expenses "in travelling to the Legislature and returning therefrom, once in each session and no more, shall be paid by the State out of the public treasury to every member."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The Senate at 11.50 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1875. *234

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ECOB of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Orders:

That the Committee on State Prison be instructed to report a bill establishing the number and salaries and compensation of all the officers and employees connected with the State Prison, was read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to make inquiry and report what compensation for mileage members of the Legislature are legally entitled to; whether two dollars for every ten miles travel to the Legislature only; or to and from the same to their several places of abode, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Crystal plantation, for aid on road, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Samuel Wasson and others, against any reduction of the Agricultural reports, was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence.

* Petition of citizens of Woodland plantation, for grant *235 of land in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad;

No. 32, H. "Resolve in favor of Silver Ridge plantation;

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

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Augustus Welt and others, with bill (H. R. 110) "an act to protect Medomak river," that the same be referred to the Committee on Fisheries;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Joseph Farwell and others, for change in the law relating to meeting-houses, that the same be referred to the Committee on Education;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the repeal of the free high school law of 1873, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending chapter 124 of the laws of 1873, authorizing the State Treasurer to deduct from the school fund before its apportionment the amount annually expended by the State for free high schools, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of M. S. Drummond and others, for the incorporation of the Allegash Dam Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order relating to repealing chapter 255 of the public laws of 1874, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to creating a lien on farm productions in favor of farm laborers, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

*236 * Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Jonathan Darling and others, for change in the game laws, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of J. W. Toward and others, for a pension for George W. Ladd, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Towns, on the petition of Harrison Berry and others to have certain territory set off from Palermo and
• annexed to Liberty, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of D. W. Kincaid and others, for an act of incorporation for running a steam ferry boat between Portland and Cape Elizabeth, that the petitioners have to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of Andrew J. Whiting, with bill (H. R. 124) "an act to authorize Andrew J. Whiting and Obadiah Allen to extend a wharf into tide waters at Somes' sound, Mt. Desert;,"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 73) "an act to authorize W. R. Sawyer to build, maintain and extend a wharf into tide water in the town of Milbridge," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Vinalhaven, and on an order, with bill (H. R. 125) "an act to amend an act authorizing George Dyer to establish a ferry;"

Report of the Hancock County Delegation, on the petition of Selectmen of Deer Isle, with (No. 33, H.) "resolve apportioning to the town of Isle au Haut in Hancock * county, its *237 proportional part of the State valuation of the town of Deer Isle, in said county;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 82) "an act to incorporate the Calais Publishing Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 94) "an act to legalize the doings of Louis M. Partridge of Stockton," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 80) "an act to incorporate the Calais Red Granite Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 81) "an act to incorporate the Odd Fellow's Mutual Relief Association of Portland," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 11) "an act to legalize the acts of Joshua A. Lambe as a justice of the peace," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 9) "an act relating to the schools in the city of Portland," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (H. R. 95) "an act to incorporate the York Brick Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (H. R. 63) "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Stone Ware 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.

No. 34, H. "Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Education," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, *the rules being *238 suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

S. 45. Bill "an act to regulate the rate of interest," referred by the Senate to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and by the House to the Committee on Financial Affairs, and the Senate having insisted, came from the House, and that branch adheres.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Resolved, That the Senate insist upon its former vote, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and

Messrs. Hall of York,
Cutler of Penobscot,
Cross of Cumberland,

were appointed conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the annual reports of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison for the year 1874, which was read.

Ordered, That the reports be referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 63) "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Manufacturing Company," which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. ROUNDS presented bill (S. 64) "an act to incorporate the Limerick Savings Bank," which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. FRENCH presented the petition of S. M. Norton and others, for the incorporation of the North Livermore Cheese *239 Company, which was referred to the Committee *on Agriculture.

Mr. PALMER presented the petition of the Selectmen of Hermon, to have the doings of the town officers of said town legalized, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These bills and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, The House concurring, that the tenth Joint Rule be amended so as to read as follows:

10. *Every bill or resolve of a public nature, and every bill or resolve appropriating money, or disposing of State lands or other State property, reported in either house by a committee, or laid upon the*

table by leave, shall be printed and distributed in both houses before having its first reading. The printed copies shall show by what committee the bill or resolve was reported, or by what member laid upon the table.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently came back concurred.

Mr. DYER, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Simon F. Walker, for pay for services in a criminal case, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the credentials of Mitchell Paul Susup, Representative of the Penobscot Indians, reported (No. 35, S.) "resolve in favor of Mitchell Paul Susup."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the credentials of John Dana, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Indians, reported (No. 36, S.) "resolve in favor of John Dana."

*The reports were accepted, the resolves each read twice, *240 the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DYER, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of S. W. Tinkham and others, for the repeal of the law repealing the bounty on wolves and bears, reported bill (S. 65) "an act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, reported bill (S. 66) "an act to enforce the collection of taxes upon railroad companies."

The reports were accepted, and the bills each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Fisheries, on bill (S. 29) "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Fish Company," reported the same in a new draft, under title of (S. 67) "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Fish Company," and that it ought to pass;

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petitions of the Penobscot Indians, reported (No. 37, S.)

“resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.”

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of William S. Young and others, for an amendment of the charter of the Auburn Aqueduct Company, reported bill (S. 68) “an act to authorize the Auburn Aqueduct Company to take water from Wilson pond in Auburn for domestic purposes and for extinguishing fires.”

Mr. DYER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on the *241 report of the Trustees of the Bath Orphans’ Asylum, *reported (No. 38, S.) “resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum of Bath.”

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of William Emery and others, reported bill (S. 69) “an act to annex a part of the town of Berwick to the town of North Berwick in the county of York.”

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 bill and resolves :

H. R. 119. “An act to incorporate the Cumberland Farmers’ Club;”

No. 24, H. “Resolve in favor of Charles W. and Mary A. Tibbetts;”

No. 4, S. “Resolve in favor of the Maine Centennial Boad;”

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 120. “An act to repeal chapter 187 of the public laws of 1874, relating to the Insane Hospital,” which was read a second time.

Mr. MORRISON moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on this question,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 13
 { Nays 4

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Cutler,	Donworth,	Dyer,
Foster,	Goold,	Hall,
Haskell,	Holbrook,	Kent,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Rounds,
Thurlough—13.		

* The following Senators voted in the negative : *242

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Emery,
French—4.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Cross,	Cushing,
Foss,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Hyde,	Lord,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey—13.		

Not voting—The President—1.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

H. R. 121. "An act to empower the town of Brewer to establish wharf limits," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 122. "An act to amend section 148 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to abatement of taxes," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 25, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,
Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 26, H. "Resolve in favor of John Sterling ;"

No. 30, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Ball and William P. Ball ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 31, II. "Resolve in favor of Sarah J. Vance," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 62. "An act to prevent fraud in certain cases," which was read a second time and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 123. "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 52. "An act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 18. "An act to amend section 12 of chapter 3 of revised statutes, relating to highway surveyors," which was read a second time.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

*244 S. 61. "An act for the protection of moose," *which was read a second time, and laid over to be printed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill ;

S. 62. "An act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 30. "An act additional to an act establishing the Portland

and Rochester Railroad Company," which was read a second time.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "A," pending which,

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 43. "An act amendatory of, and additional to an act entitled 'an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company,' " which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 33. "An act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Cumberland County Central Railroad ;"

H. R. 30. "An act to incorporate the North Wales Slate Company ;"

S. 37. "An act to incorporate the town of Medway ;"

H. R. 93. "An act to incorporate the town of Talmage, in the county of Washington ;"

H. R. 92. "An act to incorporate the Prospect and Stockton Cheese Company ;"

* S. 38. "An act to incorporate the Unity Park Association ;" *245

H. R. 21. "An act to incorporate the Maine State Pure Blood Jersey Stock Association ;"

H. R. 44. "An act to incorporate the Menhaden Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company ;"

H. R. 90. "An act for the extension of the wharf of Dorcas C. N. Webster in Eastport ;"

H. R. 108. "An act to incorporate the Carmel, Hermon, Hampden and North Newburgh Cheese Factory ;"

S. 12. "An act to incorporate the Bangor and Ellsworth Steamboat Company ;"

S. 16. "An act authorizing T. L. Roberts to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Eden ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 22, H. "Resolve in favor of schools in Woodland and Perham plantations ;"

No. 21, H. "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 by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 47. "An act for the protection of owners of stolen bonds," was taken from the table.

Amendment "C," proposed by Mr. FOSTER, was adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

No. 28, H. "Resolve in favor of Ether W. Sprague," was taken from the table.

*246. *The resolve was read a second time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 46. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend section 4 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table.

Mr. CUTLER proposed an amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause, and insert the following :

"SECTION 1. *The time provided by chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, for closing up the affairs of the Land Office, is hereby extended to December 31st, 1875, and the office of Land Agent is hereby revived and continued until that date ; and in the meantime the Land Office shall be maintained and all the books and papers pertaining to the land department be kept at the State House in Augusta.*"

And pending its adoption,

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and that the amendment be printed.

On motion by Mr. DONWORTH,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 12 o'clock M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

*SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1875. *247

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House: Order:

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what if any legislation is necessary to harmonize the constitutional provision, concerning mileage of members and the statute upon the same subject, was read and passed in concurrence.

H. R. 127. Bill "an act relating to towns which have abolished their school districts," was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

No. 39, H. "Resolve in favor of compiling and printing the school laws," was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

H. R. 128. Bill "an act relating to directors of railroads," was referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph B. Clark and others, for reimbursement of expenses in arresting George Steritt, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

*Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of *248 Stilman A. Reed and others, for abatement of State tax of Roxbury, that the same be referred to the Oxford County Delegation;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John F. Griffin and another, for reimbursement for failure of title to land purchased of the State, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Thomas Kennedy, for reimbursement by the State for caring for State paupers, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order relating to amending section 2 of chapter 157 of the private and special laws of 1874, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 6 of chapter 63 of the revised statutes, so as to authorize the granting of administration on the estate of persons who have been absent from home and unheard from for a time, affording presumption of death at common law, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to enabling holders of bills of banks of which receivers have been appointed, to receive dividends, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to commencing actions of trespass *quare clausum*, in the same manner as personal actions, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Charles Rolf and others, for a lien on bark, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

*249 * Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of A. S. Burbank, with bill (H. R. 129) " an act to incorporate the Cedar Brook and Swift Cambridge River Improvement Company ;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 24) an act to amend an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the pay of stenographers, with bill (H. R. 130) " an act regulating costs in certain cases ;"

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill (H. R. 131) " an act to amend section 3 of chapter 198 of public laws of 1874, relating to disclosures of poor debtors ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Chelsea, with bill (H. R. 132) " an act relating to the settle-

ment of persons connected with the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Togus, in the county of Kennebec ;”

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 39) “an act to authorize the Cobb Lime Company to increase its capital stock,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 75) “an act to incorporate Mystic Tie Lodge No. 7, Knights of Pythias of Saco, Maine,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 133) “an act to amend chapter 45, section 1 of the revised statutes, in relation to interest ;”

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of C. H. Doughty and others, with bill (H. R. 134) “an act to incorporate the Union Slate Company ;”

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company, * with bill (H. R. 135) “an act in addition to chapter 665 *250 of the private acts of 1871, entitled ‘an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company ;’”

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 79) “an act to incorporate the North Windham Manufacturing Company,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 61) “an act to incorporate the Wood and Bishop Foundry Company,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 70) “an act to incorporate the Bald Hill Brick and Manufacturing Company,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 31) “an act to incorporate the Mammoth Silver Mining Company,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 78) “an act to incorporate the Monson Pearl Slate Company,” that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 96) “an act to incorporate the Maine Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company,” that the same ought to pass ;

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

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of the Biddeford Light Infantry, with bill (H. R. 136) "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia," was accepted in concurrence, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Georges Valley Railroad Company, with bill (H. R. 72) "an *251 act to extend the time for the location and completion * of the Georges Valley Railroad," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

H. R. 137. Bill "an act to incorporate the Little Blue Slate Company," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

H. R. 37. Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the St. Augustine School for Boys at Topsham," passed to be engrossed in both branches, came from the House recommitted to the Committee on Education, and was recommitted in concurrence.

H. R. 105. Bill "an act to make valid the doings of school district number two in the town of Monroe," passed to be engrossed in both branches, came from the House recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs, and was recommitted in concurrence.

Mr. HALL presented the following:

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn it be to meet on Tuesday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

The order was refused a passage.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to the rights of attaching creditors, reported bill (S. 70) "an act explanatory of and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions."

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

*252 *The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills and resolve:

H. R. 124. "An act to authorize Andrew J. Whiting and Obadiah Allen to extend a wharf into tide waters at Somes' sound, Mt. Desert;"

H. R. 73. "An act to authorize W. R. Sawyer to build, maintain and extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Milbridge;"

H. R. 125. "An act to amend an act authorizing George Dyer to establish a ferry;"

No. 33, H. "Resolve apportioning to the town of Isle au Haut, in Hancock county, its proportional part of the State valuation of the town of Deer Isle;"

H. R. 82. "An act to incorporate the Calais Publishing Company;"

H. R. 94. "An act to legalize the doings of Louis M. Partridge of Stockton;"

H. R. 80. "An act to incorporate the Calais Red Granite Company;"

H. R. 81. "An act to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Mutual Relief Association of Portland;"

S. 11. "An act to legalize the acts of Joshua A. Lambe as a justice of the peace;"

H. R. 9. "An act relating to schools in the city of Portland;"

H. R. 95. "An act to incorporate the York Brick Company;"

H. R. 63. "An act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Stone Ware Company;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 67. "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Fish Company," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves and bills:

* No. 37, S. "Resolve making appropriations for the Pe- *253
nobsco'tt Tribe of Indians;"

S. 68. "An act to authorize the Auburn Aqueduct Company to take water from Wilson pond in Auburn for domestic purposes and for extinguishing fires;"

No. 38, S. "Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum of Bath;"

S. 69. "An act to annex part of the town of Berwick to the town of North Berwick in the county of York;"

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:

H. R. 91. "An act to incorporate the Wyttopitlock Lake Dam Company;"

H. R. 34. "An act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county;"

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 by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 123. Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," was taken from the table.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the part of the Senate.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the foregoing Committee, subsequently reported the bill without amendment and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. FOSS presented the following:

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet on Monday next at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. HOLBROOK moved to amend by striking out "2 o'clock" and insert "7 o'clock"

After discussion the Senator withdrew the amendment.

Mr. EMERY proposed the same amendment.

Mr. FOSTER moved a call of the Senate.

The roll was called with the following result:

PRESENT.

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cutler,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foss,	Foster,	Goold,
Hall,	Haskell,	Holbrook,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Rounds,	Thurlough,	Webb—18.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Cushing,	Donworth,
French,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Hyde,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey—13.		

And a quorum was present.

Mr. Emery's motion to amend was disagreed to.

Mr. FOSTER moved to amend by striking out "2 o'clock, P. M.," and insert "10 o'clock A. M."

The motion was disagreed to.

On the question of giving the order a passage,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 13
Nays 5

* The following Senators voted in the affirmative: *255

Messrs. Campbell,	Cross,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Foss,	Foster,
Goold,	Holbrook,	Kent,
Morrison,	Rounds,	Thurlough,
Webb—13.		

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Corthell,	Emery,	Hall,
Haskell,	Lord—5.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Cushing,	Donworth,
French,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Hyde,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey—13.		

So the order received a passage.

On motion by Mr. WEBB, Mr. Rounds being in the Chair,
The Senate at 10.45 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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* MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 2, P. M.

• Prayer by Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read.

Papers from the House: Order:

That the Senate concurring, the Constitutional Commission be authorized to report in printed form, was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order relating to amending section 33 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. W. Jones and others, for an act respecting School District No. 7 in the town of Westbrook, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge over the Penobscot river at Verona, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the same Committee, on the memorial of the National Board of Trade, relating to railway legislation, that the same be referred to the next legislature;

*257 Report of the same Committee, on an order relating * to the better protection of human life on mixed railroad trains, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. F. Wright and others, for an amendment of the law relating to the protection of baggage on railroads, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of C. I. Barker and others, with bill (H. R. 67) "an act to incorporate the People's Savings Banks of Lewiston ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Augustus Welt and others, with bill (H. R. 113) "an act to incorporate the Waldoboro', Savings Bank ;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 49) "an act to incorporate the Topsham and Brunswick Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the distribution of school money, with bill (H. R. 138) "an act to amend chapter 166 of the public laws of 1874, relating to school money ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the city of Bangor, with bill (H. R. 139) "an act relating to the city schools of Bangor ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order, with bill (H. R. 140) "an act repealing an act to prevent the taking of pickerel in Three Mile pond in the towns of Vassalboro,' China and Windsor ;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 141) "an act additional to an act in relation to contested elections ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of *Wil- *258 liam Gilchrist and others, with bill (H. R. 142) "an act legalizing the doings of School District No. 3 in the town of St. George, in the county of Knox ;"

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the sale of non-resident proprietors' land for unpaid taxes, so that another' than the town treasurer may complete the sale, with bill (H. R. 143) "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy town treasurers ;"

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (S. 31) "an act to incorporate the Forest Slate Company in the town of Monson," with the same in a new draft, under title of (H. R. 144) "an act to incorporate the Forest Slate Company ;"

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Temperance, on an order relating to amending section 34 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, with bill (H. R. 145) "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors ;"

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

S. 45. Bill "an act to regulate the rate of interest," came from the House concurred in the Senate proposition for a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with the committee joined by that branch, as follows :

Messrs. North of Augusta,
Wheelwright of Bangor,
Cleaves of Portland.

H. R. 120. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 187 of the public laws of 1874, relating to the Insane Hospital," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. MORRISON moved that the Senate insist upon its
*259 * former vote, and pending this question,

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The following order :

"That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish this Legislature with a detailed statement of all appropriations and donations of money granted by the Legislature of the State for the last five years, and for what purpose granted," passed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheet "A," by adding the words : "*except appropriations for the support of the State government*," and passed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That there be appointed by the Chair, a committee of three, to be a committee on the business of the Senate, and

Messrs. Emery of Hancock,
Swasey of Oxford,
Palmer of Penobscot,

were appointed said committee.

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Railroads, on bill (S. 34) "an act to increase the capital stock of the Dirigo Slate Quarry Company and authorize the construction of a tramway railroad," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

* H. R. 129. "An act to incorporate the Cedar Brook *260 and Swift Cambridge River Improvement Company ;"

H. R. 24. "An act to amend an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 130. "An act regulating costs in certain cases," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

H. R. 131. "An act to amend section 3 of chapter 198 of the public laws of 1874, relating to disclosures of poor debtors ;"

H. R. 132. "An act relating to the settlement of persons connected with the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Togus, in the county of Kennebec ;"

H. R. 39. "An act to authorize the Cobb Lime Company to increase its capital stock ;"

H. R. 75. "An act to incorporate Mystic Tie Lodge No. 7, Knights of Pythias of Saco, Maine ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 133. "An act to amend chapter 45, section 1, of the revised statutes, in relation to interest," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 134. "An act to incorporate the Union Slate Company," * which was read a second time and passed *261 to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 135. "An act in addition to chapter 665 of the private acts of 1871, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company,' " which was read a second time, and pending the adoption of House amendment "A,"

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

H. R. 79. "An act to incorporate the North Windham Manufacturing Company ;"

H. R. 61. "An act to incorporate the Wood and Bishop Foundry Company ;"

H. R. 70. "An act to incorporate the Bald Hill Brick and Manufacturing Company ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 31. "An act to incorporate the Mammoth Silver Mining Company," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

H. R. 78. "An act to incorporate the Monson Pearl Slate Company ;"

H. R. 96. "An act to incorporate the Maine Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 72. "An act to extend the time for the location *262 and completion of the Georges Valley Railroad," * which was read a second time.

Mr. FOSTER proposed an amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 137. "An act to incorporate the Little Blue Slate

Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

H. R. 115. "An act authorizing the Continental Mills to reduce the par value of its stock and to issue new shares;"

H. R. 103. "An act additional to an act entitled 'an act to supply the city of Bangor with pure water;'"

H. R. 104. "An act to legalize the doings of School District No. 4 in the town of Lamoine;"

H. R. 57. "An act to incorporate the Portland Safe Deposit Company;"

H. R. 59. "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Martha's Grove Camp-Meeting Association;"

H. R. 98. "An act to incorporate the Edgecomb and Newcastle Farmers' and Mechanics' Club;"

H. R. 101. "An act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Boat Company;"

H. R. 60. "An act to incorporate the Arundel Mutual Relief Society;"

H. R. 56. "An act to incorporate the Saccarappa Savings Bank;"

H. R. 100. "An act to regulate the inspection of fish;"

H. R. 114. "An act to incorporate the Bristol Agricultural * Society and Farmers' Club;"

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S. 20. "An act to protect the rights of the owners of Petit Menan point in the town of Steuben;"

H. R. 109. "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Amity;"

H. R. 102. "An act to authorize Mellen Gilmore and Luther V. Gilmore to build wharves and piers;"

H. R. 116. "An act to amend chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to relief of poor debtors;"

H. R. 99. "An act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mercantile Bank, both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland;"

H. R. 77. "An act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to vote aid towards building a railroad from tide waters within said town to connect with any shore line railroad;"

S. 19. "An act to incorporate the National Temperance Camp-Meeting Association ;"

S. 47. "An act to amend, so far as the county of Cumberland is concerned, chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State ;"

S. 35. "An act to repeal sections 39, 40 and 41 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, in relation to paupers ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 9, S. "Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual," which was finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolve were signed by the President, and the Governor being absent from the Capital, were by the Secretary retained upon the table of the Senate.

*264 *On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

No. 25, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury," was taken from the table.

The resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by the same Senator,

No. 29, H. "Resolve in favor of Crystal plantation in the county of Aroostook," was taken from the table.

The resolve was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The Senate at 3.15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

*TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1875. *265

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House :

Petition of J. W. Hines, for deed of land ;

Petition of inhabitants of Easton, for aid in building a bridge in said town, came from the House severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

No. 40, H. "Resolve abating State tax of Daigle plantation for the year 1869," came from the House referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the reference of the foregoing petitions and resolve, and referred the same to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of William Babbidge and others, with bill (H. R. 46) "an act amending an act entitled 'an act for the better protection of lobsters in the State of Maine ;' "

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Brunswick, with bill (H. R. 147) "an act to authorize the inhabitants * of the town of *266 Brunswick to unite a town building with a soldier's monument ;"

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order, with bill (H. R. 148) "an act additional to chapter 248 of the public laws of 1874, relating to fishing ;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of Henry Clark and others, with bill (H. R. 149) "an act for the protection of deer on the island of Mt. Desert ;"

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 20) "an act to incorporate the Presque Isle and St. John River Railroad Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass ;

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

The following bill :

S. 55. "An act repealing chapter 379 of acts and resolves of 1846, and amending section 50 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes," was read once, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it be recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent down for concurrence.

S. 17. Bill "an act conferring additional powers upon the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to railroads," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

S. 32. Bill "An act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," was read once, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it be recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

*267 *The following bills :

S. 60. "An act to amend chapter 124, section 28, of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals ;"

S. 65. "An act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears ;"

S. 66. "An act to enforce the collection of taxes upon railroad companies ;"

S. 70. "An act explanatory of and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions ;"

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

H. R. 136. Bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia," was read once, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

S. 59. Bill "an act to fix the punishment for murder and arson," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator, the bill was taken from the table.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas 15
 { Nays 15

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Corthell,	Cutler,	Emery,
Foss,	Foster,	French,
Haskell,	Kent,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Rounds,
Stevens,	Swasey,	Webb—15.

The following Senators voted in the negative :

* Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cross, *268
Cushing,	Dyer,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Lord,
Richardson,	Russell,	Thurlough--13.

ABSENT—Mr. Donworth—1.

So the bill was refused a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CORTHELL presented (No. 41, S.) "resolve in favor of the sub-committee of Agriculture, appointed to visit the State College of Agriculture," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 67. "An act to incorporate the Peoples' Savings Bank of Lewiston ;"

H. R. 113. "An act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Savings Bank ;"

H. R. 49. "An act to incorporate the Topsham and Brunswick Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank ;

H. R. 138. "An act to amend chapter 166 of the public laws of 1874, relating to school money ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 139. "An act relating to the city schools of Bangor," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

*269 *H. R. 140. "An act repealing an act to prevent the taking of pickerel in Three-Mile pond in the towns of Vassalboro', China and Windsor;"

H. R. 141. "An act additional to an act in relation to contested elections;"

H. R. 142. "An act legalizing the doings of School District No. 3 in the town of St. George, in the county of Knox;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 143. "An act to provide for the appointment of deputy town treasurers," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

The foregoing vote was reconsidered, and

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 144. "An act to incorporate the Forest Slate Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 145. "An act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 34. "An act to increase the capital stock of the Dirigo Slate Quarry Company and authorize the construction of a tramway railroad," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly *270 and strictly engrossed the following bills:

H. R. 121. "An act to empower the town of Brewer to establish wharf limits;"

S. 27. "An act to incorporate the New York and Maine Granite Company;"

H. R. 119. "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Farmers' Club;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 28, H. "Resolve in favor of Ether W. Sprague;"

No. 26, H. "Resolve in favor of John Sterling;"

No. 18, S. "Resolve in favor of the county of Knox;"

No. 30, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Ball and W. P. Ball;"

No. 24, H. "Resolve in favor of Charles W. and Mary A. Tibbetts;"

No. 4, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Centennial Boad;"

No. 34, H. "Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Education;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves, having been signed by the President, were, together with the several bills which were passed to be enacted, and the resolve which was finally passed at the session of Monday, February 8, by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of bill (S. 35) "an act to repeal sections 39, 40 and 41 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, in relation to paupers."

*The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in *271 response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the foregoing bill was passed to be enacted, and the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

No. 3, H. "Resolve in favor of roads passing through the

Indian township, in Washington county," was taken from the table.

The resolve was read a second time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

S. 48. Bill "an act for supplying the city of Bangor with water," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F," and pending their adoption,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and that the amendments be printed.

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator,

The bill was taken from the table and the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

S. 61. Bill "an act for the protection of moose," was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 135. Bill "an act in addition to chapter 665 of the *272 *private acts of 1871, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company,'" was taken from the table.

House amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 72. Bill "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Georges Valley Railroad," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at 11.13 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1875. *273

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

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

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That in the absence of the President, Hon. Enoch Foster, Jr., of Oxford, be President *pro tempore*.

Mr. Foster was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Emery of Hancock and Mr. Hall of York, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

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. Enoch Foster, Jr., as President *pro tempore*.

On motion by the same Senator,

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. Enoch Foster, Jr., as President *pro tempore*.

The messages were conveyed by the Secretary.

Papers from the House :

* H. R. 150. Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Harpswell Steamboat Company ;"

H. R. 151. Bill "an act amendatory of an act entitled 'an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county,' approved February 8, A. D. 1875 ;"

Severally introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 152) "an act giving a lien on pressed hay for personal services in pressing," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of W. Hathaway and others, with bill (H. R. 153) "an act to incorporate the Washington County Masonic Relief Association," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

S. 25. Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House further amended per sheets "B," "C" and "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, and adopted House amendment "D," and pending the adoption of amendments "B" and "C,"

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table and be printed as amended.

*275. *Subsequently a message was received from the House, by S. J. Chadbourne, Esq., its Clerk, requesting the return to the House of the foregoing bill.

The foregoing votes of the Senate were reconsidered, and the bill was returned to the House.

Mr. HOLBROOK presented bill (S. 71) "an act to amend chapter 34, section 4, of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers."

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 72) "an act to amend section 62, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies."

These bills were each referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, the rules being suspended.

Mr. HOLBROOK presented bill (S. 73) "an act to incorporate the Maine Mining Company of Portland.

The rules were suspended, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STEVENS, by leave, presented bill (S. 74) "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 203 of the public laws of 1874, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of Alpheus Packard and others to be set off from the town of Peru and annexed to the town of Canton, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. FOSS, from the same Committee, on the petition of H. D. Coombs and others for the division of the town of Gouldsboro' into voting districts, reported *that the same be re- *276
ferred to the next Legislature.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the communication from the Governor, relating to the expenses of the Insurance Department, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on the report of the Trustees of the Agricultural College, reported (No. 42, S.) "resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

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

Mr. ROUNDS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill (S. 22) "an act to incorporate the People's Loan and Building Association," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table and be printed.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (S. 51) "an act relating to mutual fire insurance companies," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of L. F. Pike and others, reported bill (S. 75) "an act to incorporate the Wayne Cheese Factory Company."

*277 *The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of S. M. Norton and others, reported bill (S. 76) "an act to incorporate the North Livermore Cheese Company."

Mr. LORD, from the same Committee, on the petition of Elijah E. Bedell and others, reported bill (S. 77) "an act to incorporate the Andover Dairy Association."

Mr. ATWOOD, from the same Committee, on the petition of John W. Howe and others, reported bill (S. 78) "an act to incorporate the Canton and Dixfield Cheese Factory."

Mr. KENT, from the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of William Conary, reported bill (S. 79) "an act to enable William Conary to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at Bluehill."

The reports were severally accepted, and 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:

H. R. 146. "An act amending an act entitled 'an act for the better protection of lobsters in the State of Maine,' " which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator,

The bill was taken from the table, and after discussion,

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

H. R. 147. "An act to authorize the inhabitants of the
*278 town *of Brunswick to unite a town building with a
soldiers' monument;"

H. R. 148. "An act additional to chapter 248 of the public laws of 1874, relating to fishing;"

H. R. 149. "An act for the protection of deer on the island of Mt. Desert;"

H. R. 20. "An act to incorporate the Presque Isle and St. John River Railroad Company;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

S. 17. "An act conferring additional powers upon the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to railroads ;"

S. 60. "An act to amend chapter 124, section 28, of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals ;"

S. 65. "An act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 66. "An act to enforce the collection of taxes upon railroad companies," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,
Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 70. "An act explanatory of, and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

S. 67. Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland * Fish *279 Company," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CUSHING,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate referred to the next Legislature (No. 40, H.) "resolve abating State tax of Daigle plantation for the year 1869."

The resolve was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs
concurrency.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

S. 30. Bill "an act additional to an act establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company," was taken from the table.

Amendment "A," proposed by Mr. FOSTER, was adopted.

Mr. HASKELL proposed an amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL, the Senate at 11.05 A. M. took a recess for thirty minutes, at the expiration of which time

The Senate was called to order by the PRESIDENT *pro tempore*.

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

S. 11. "An act to legalize the acts of Joshua A. Lambe as a justice of the peace ;"

H. R. 63. "An act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Stone Ware Company ;"

H. R. 80. "An act to incorporate the Calais Red Granite Company ;"

*280 *H. R. 82. "An act to incorporate the Calais Publishing Company ;"

S. 58. "An act authorizing Michael Hurley to extend his wharf at the west end of Union River bridge in Ellsworth into the waters of said Union river ;"

H. R. 125. "An act to amend an act authorizing George Dyer to establish a ferry ;"

S. 56. "An act to authorize William F. Desisles and others to build a wharf in tide waters at Lamoine ;"

H. R. 124. "An act to authorize Andrew J. Whiting and Obadiah Allen to extend a wharf into tide waters at Somes' sound, Mt. Desert ;"

H. R. 73. "An act to authorize W. R. Sawyer to build, maintain and extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Milbridge ;"

H. R. 94. "An act to legalize the doings of Louis M. Partridge of Stockton ;"

H. R. 9. "An act relating to schools in the city of Portland ;"

S. 49. "An act to incorporate the South Pittsfield and Burnham Cheese Factory Company ;"

H. R. 123. "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government ;"

H. R. 95. "An act to incorporate the York Brick Company ;"

S. 39. "An act to incorporate the Winterport Savings Bank ;"

S. 57. "An act to authorize H. E. and W. G. Alden to extend wharves in Camden harbor ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 36, S. "Resolve in favor of John Dana ;"

No. 35, S. "Resolve in favor of Mitchell Paul Susup ;"

* No. 33, H. "Resolve apportioning to the town of Isle au Haut, in Hancock county, its proportional part of the State valuation of the town of Deer Isle, in said 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.

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 80) "an act giving to the municipal and police courts jurisdiction in matters of liens upon personal property in certain cases," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, the rules being suspended.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. RUSSELL,

H. R. 120. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 187 of the public laws of 1874, relating to the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table.

The pending question being on the motion of Mr. MORRISON, that the Senate insist upon its vote indefinitely postponing the bill,

Mr. RUSSELL moved that the Senate recede and concur with the House in the passage of the bill to be engrossed, and on this question,

On motion by Mr. MORRISON,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas 14
Nays..... 15

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,	
* Dyer,	Emery,	French,	* 282
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Lord,	
Prescott,	Richardson,	Rounds,	
Russell,	Stevens—14.		

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Foss,	Foster,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Kent,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Swasey,	Thurlough—15.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Donworth, Webb—2.

So the motion was disagreed to, and

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Resolved, That the Senate adhere to its former vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

H. R. 143. Bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy town treasurers," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause, and insert the following :

SECTION 1. *The treasurer of any town or plantation may appoint a citizen of his town or plantation to act as his deputy, during his temporary absence, or other temporary disability. The appointment shall be in writing and be a matter of record. It may be in the form following :*

I ——— hereby appoint ——— to perform the duties of town treasurer of the town of ———, during the treasurer's temporary absence from his office.

—————, Treasurer.

SECT. 2. *The treasurer and the sureties upon his official bond shall be responsible for all the acts and omissions of his deputy in such office.*

SECT. 3. *In case of the death, resignation, removal, or other permanent disability of a treasurer of a town or plantation, the municipal officers may appoint a citizen of such town or plantation to be treasurer, until his successor shall be elected and qualified. Such appointment shall be in writing and made a matter of record. It may be in the form following :*

We, the municipal officers of the town of ———, hereby appoint ——— to be treasurer of said town until his successor shall be elected and qualified.

SECT. 4. *Before such appointee shall enter upon his duties, he shall be duly sworn, and shall give bond to the town for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, in such sum, and with such sureties, as the municipal officers shall order.*

And pending its adoption,

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and that the amendment be printed.

On motion by Mr. CUSHING,

The Senate at 33 minutes past 12 o'clock M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

*THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1875. *283

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

The President resumed the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to aiding the Maine Industrial School for Girls, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, came from the House recommitted, and was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to amending paragraph 5, section 6, chapter 6, of the revised statutes, so as to exempt certain neat stock from taxation, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the assessors of Lakeville plantation, for reimbursement for money lost in transit, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of Ira D. Sturgis and others, for the enlargement of the draw in Arrowsic bridge, that the same be referred to the next legislature ;

*Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on orders *284 relating to amending chapter 215 of the public laws of 1874, and section 65 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to notice and actions for damages on ways, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of

Henry Ward, for divorce, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (H. R. 107) "an act to incorporate the Leeds Manufacturing Company," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Selectmen of Baldwin for reimbursement of money expended on county road and bridge, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on sundry orders, petitions and resolves, relating to claims of towns and plantations for money paid the State under the call for soldiers of October, 1863, with (No. 43, H.) "resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Amos Cook and others, with (No. 44, H.) "resolve in favor of Amos P. Cook," was accepted in concurrence, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table and be printed, with a statement of facts.

*285 Report of the Committee on Education, on an order, *with bill (H. R. 154) "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 11, revised statutes, relating to the abolishing of school districts;"

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on (No. 45, H.) "resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (H. R. 118) "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization," that the same ought to pass;

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

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Eli Goss of Portland, with (No. 46, H.) "resolve in favor of Eli Goss of Portland;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an

order relating to aid in building a road through township Letter F and Hamlin plantations, with (No. 47, H.) "resolve in aid of completing the road leading from Limestone to Hamlin ;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence and the resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Rufus C. Coffin, with (No. 8, H.) "resolve in favor of Rufus C. Coffin ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Fernando F. Smith and another, with (No. 49, H.) "resolve in favor of Fernando F. Smith and Lewis C. Smith ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James F. Farmer and others, with (No. 50, H.) "resolve in favor * of *286 James F. Farmer, James E. Weston, George Walls, Oliver P. Merriman, Edwin L. Reed, Winfield S. Evans, Timothy Tucker and Patrick St. John, of township number two, range five ;"

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

Report of the same Committee, with (No. 11, H.) "resolve in favor of Sumner P. Bradford," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Richard D. Porter and others, with (No. 51, H.) "resolve in favor of Richard D. Porter ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Shepard I. Higgins and others, with (No. 52, H.) "resolve in favor of Shepard I. Higgins ;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence, and the resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of David L. Kelley, for deed of land, with (No. 53, H.) "resolve in favor of David L. Kelley," came from the House accepted, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The Senate non-concurred and recommitted the report.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary * of *287 State, transmitting the annual report of the Liquor Commissioner for the year 1874, which was read.

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Temperance.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Inspectors of Steamboats for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

Ordered, That the report be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, in response to an order of the Legislature, transmitting a detailed statement of the appropriations and donations of money granted by the Legislature for the last five years, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and be printed with the accompanying statement.

Mr. CUSHING presented bill (S. 81) "an act relating to pledges;"

The same Senator presented bill (S. 82) "an act relating to proceedings in court;"

The rules were suspended, and the bills referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Richard Winslow and another, for a law regulating pilotage in the Penobscot river, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the protection of purchasers of lands in *288 unincorporated places, reported *that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the record of births, deaths and marriages, reported bill (S. 83) "an act to amend the twenty-second section of the fifty-ninth chapter of the revised statutes ;

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (S. 72) "an act to amend section 62, chap-

ter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Oxford County Delegation, on the petition of Silman A. Reed and others, reported (No. 54, S.) "resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury."

The reports were accepted, and the bills and resolve each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. DYER, from the Committee on Reform School, on the annual report of the trustees of that institution, reported in detail, submitting (No. 55, S.) "resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

The report was accepted, and

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and be printed with the accompanying resolve.

Mr. PRESCOTT, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of George W. Johnson for the incorporation of Carrabassett Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, reported bill (S. 84) "an act to incorporate the Canaan *Masonic Hall *289 Association."

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company, reported bill (S. 85) "an act to amend the charter of the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company."

Mr. HALL, from the same Committee, on the petition of O. W. Davis, Jr., and others, reported bill (S. 86) "an act to incorporate the Brownville and Sebec Railroad Company."

The reports were accepted, the bills each read once, and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Counties, submitted final report of said Committee, that they had acted upon all matters referred to them.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Railroads, made a similar report.

The reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 150. "An act to incorporate the Portland and Harpswell Steamboat Company ;"

H. R. 151. "An act amendatory of an act entitled 'an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county,' approved February 8, A. D. 1875 ;"

H. R. 153. "An act to incorporate the Washington County Masonic Relief Association ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

*290 *S. 75. "An act to incorporate the Wayne Cheese Factory Company ;"

S. 76. "An act to incorporate the North Livermore Cheese Company ;"

S. 77. "An act to incorporate the Andover Dairy Association ;"

S. 78. "An act to incorporate the Canton and Dixfield Cheese Factory ;"

S. 79. "An act to enable William Conary to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at Bluehill ;"

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

S. 46. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend section 4 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table.

Amendment "A," proposed by Mr. Cutler, was withdrawn.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "B," to amend by adding the following sections :

SECTION 3. *The Land Agent, under the direction and control of the governor and council, shall as speedily as the public good allows, bring to a termination all unsettled business connected with the land office and relating to the lands belonging to the State.*

SECT. 4. *The governor, state treasurer and land agent, are hereby created a commission to inquire what further steps are necessary in order to finally close up the affairs of the land office, and placing the*

settling land in such custody as shall be for the best interest of the state and hasten their settlement, and report to the next legislature.

SECT. 5. *All the official acts of Parker P. Burleigh, as land agent since the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, are hereby made valid.*

And pending its adoption,

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and that the amendment be printed.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 133. Bill "an act to amend chapter 45, section one, of the revised statutes, in relation to interest," was taken from the table, and pending its passage to be engrossed in concurrence,

On motion by the same Senator,

* *Resolved*, That it be indefinitely postponed.

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Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

S. 66. Bill "an act to enforce the collection of taxes upon railroad companies," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

H. R. 139. Bill "an act relating to the city schools of Bangor," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

These bills were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

H. R. 146. Bill "an act amending an act entitled 'an act for the better protection of lobsters in the State of Maine,'" was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 31. Bill "an act to incorporate the Mammoth Silver Mining Company," and (No. 31, H.) "resolve in favor of Sarah J. Vance," were taken from the table.

The bill and resolve were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

H. R. 136. Bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia," was taken from the table.

The bill was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

*292 *The report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S.13)

"an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators," that the same ought not to pass, with minority report, submitting bill (S. 54,) was taken from the table, and pending its acceptance,

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That it lie on the table, and that Tuesday next be assigned for its consideration.

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

S. 52. "An act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers."

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

H. R. 132. "An act relating to the settlement of persons connected with the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Togus, in the county of Kennebec;"

H. R. 131. "An act to amend section 3 of chapter 198 of the public laws of 1874, relating to disclosures of poor debtors;"

S. 18. "An act to amend section 12 of chapter 3 of revised statutes, relating to highway surveyors;"

H. R. 134. "An act to incorporate the Union Slate Company;"

H. R. 79. "An act to incorporate the North Windham Manufacturing Company;"

H. R. 75. "An act to incorporate Mystic Tie Lodge No. 7, Knights of Pythias of Saco;"

H. R. 47. "An act for the protection of owners of stolen bonds;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

* And these several bills, having been signed by the *293 President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 62. "An act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn."

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the bill to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

The Senate at 11.38 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1875. *294

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the reading of the Journal of yesterday be omitted.

Papers from the House :

H. R. 155. Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 135 of the revised statutes, relating to executions for capital crimes," was referred to the next legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, for the repeal of an act to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on bridge over the Androscoggin river at Barker's Ferry, with bill (H. R. 160) "an act to repeal an act to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on bridge over the Androscoggin river at Barker's ferry," came from the House referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instruc-

tions to report whether there are any reasons in law why the report of the majority should not be accepted, and was referred with instructions in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition
*295 * of Barak Maxwell and others, for aid in building bridge in the town of Wells, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 23) "an act to prevent the casting of edgings and other refuse into Salmon Falls river and its tributaries in the towns of Berwick and Lebanon," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the expediency of legislation to facilitate and simplify the proceeding in appeals from the decisions of commissioners upon insolvent estates, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to so amending chapter 49 of the revised statutes that no change of title may affect the insurance, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Washington Carleton, for a pension, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James Johnston for a pension, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 71) "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to damages for lands taken for railroad purposes," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the petition of Nelson Mullen and Andrew L. Kent, with bill (H. R. 156) "an act to enable Nelson Mullen and Andrew L. Kent to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at North Haven ;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 53) "an act to
*296 * incorporate the Camden Marine Railway Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of

Reuben T. Jones, with bill (H. R. 158) "an act to incorporate the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company, with bill (H. R. 159) "an act additional to chapter 258 of the public laws of 1874, relating to taxation of railroad companies;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of L. M. Partridge, with bill (H. R. 27) "an act to legalize the doings of L. M. Partridge as a justice of the peace and quorum;"

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (S. 63) "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of J. W. Bigelow and others, with bill (H. R. 162) "an act to incorporate the Livermore Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Thorndike, with bill (H. R. 163) "an act to incorporate a mutual fire insurance company in the town of Thorndike," 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 Committee on Railroads, with bill (H. R. 18) "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, *the bill read once, *297 and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

The foregoing vote was reconsidered, and the bill was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommended the petition of N. T. Talbot and others, with bill (H. R. 26) "an act to incorporate the Rockport Ice Company," that the same be referred to the next Legislature with an order of notice, came from the House recommitted, and was recommitted in concurrence.

S. 25. Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House further amended per sheets "B," "C" and "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, and adopted the several House amendments, and pending its passage to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

Ordered, That it lie on the table, and that Tuesday next be assigned for its consideration.

The following communication was received :

To the President of the Senate and

Speaker of the House of Representatives :

In compliance with a resolve adopted by the Constitutional *298 Commission, created by the resolve *of the Legislature approved January 12, 1875, I have the honor to submit herewith the amendments of the Constitution framed by the Commission, and now reported by them to the Legislature for its action. The proposed amendments are numbered from one to seventeen inclusive, and verified by the certificate of the Secretary of the Commission.

In order to facilitate legislation on this subject, the Commission also submit, for consideration, the form of a resolve by which such amendments as may be proposed by the Legislature to the people for adoption, may be presented and voted on.

(Signed)

EDWARD KENT,

President of Constitutional Commission.

Augusta, Feb. 10, 1875.

The communication was read and referred, with the accompanying proposed amendments and resolves, to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

The following bills :

S. 51. "An act relating to mutual fire insurance companies ;"

S. 74. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 203 of the public laws of 1874, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen ;"

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. ROUNDS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of John T. Randall and others, reported bill (S. 87) "an act to incorporate the Mechanics Savings Bank of Auburn."

The report was accepted, the bill read twice, the * rules *299 being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 64) "an act to incorporate the Limerick Savings Bank," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. CUTLER, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill (S. 50) "an act to make valid the organization of the Brown Slate Quarrying Company, and to change the number of shares and par value thereof in the stock of said company," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 73) "an act to incorporate the Maine Mining Company of Portland, Maine," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on the annual report of the Trustees and Superintendent of that institution, reported (No. 48, S.) "resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital."

Mr. STEVENS, from the same Committee, on the annual report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital, reported (No. 56 S.) "resolve relating to a new insane hospital."

The reports were accepted, and the resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill (S. 26) "an act to provide for the taxation of dogs, and the preservation of sheep," reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. KENT, from the Committee on Fisheries, *on bill *300 (S. 55) "an act repealing chapter 379 of the acts and resolves of 1846, and amending section 50 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petitions (and remonstrances) of the Penobscot Indians, for

sundry appropriations, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GOOLD presented the petition of the Woman's Suffrage Association, for the right of suffrage.

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

And Messrs. Goold of Cumberland,
Emery of Hancock,
Corthell of Washington,
were appointed on the part of the Senate.
Sent down for concurrence.
Subsequently came back concurred,
And Messrs. Snow of Hallowell,
Cobb of Lewiston,
Tefft of Brewer,
Randall of Island Falls,
Little of Brunswick,
Haines of Biddeford,
Trickey of Cape Elizabeth,
were joined by that branch.

Mr. GOOLD presented the petition of J. T. Gray and others, for an act of incorporation as the Waldoboro' Marine Insurance Company, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

*301 *Mr. CORTHELL presented bill (S. 88) "an act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal courts," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The petition and bill were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLBROOK, presented (No. 57, S.) "resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison."

Mr. STEVENS presented bill (S. 89) "an act to incorporate the Pittsfield Savings Bank."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ROUNDS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, submitted final report of said Committee, that they have acted on all matters referred to them.

Mr. HYDE, from the Committee on Commerce, made a similar report.

Mr. KENT, from the Committee on Fisheries, made a similar report.

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, made a similar report.

Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, made a similar report.

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Pensions, made a similar report.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on 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 and resolve :

H. R. 154. "An act to amend section 3 of chapter 11
* revised statutes, relating to the abolishing of school dis- *302
tricts ;"

No. 45, H. "Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy In-
dians ;"

H. R. 118. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 59 of the
revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 8, H. "Resolve in favor of Lewis C. Coffin ;"

No. 49, H. "Resolve in favor of Fernando F. Smith and
Lewis C. Smith ;"

No. 50, H. "Resolve in favor of James F. Farmer, James E.
Weston, George Walls, Oliver P. Merriman, Edwin L. Reed,
Winfield S. Evans, Timothy Tucker and Patrick St. John, of
township No. 2, range 5 ;"

No. 11, H. "Resolve in favor of Sumner P. Bradford ;"

Which were each read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That they lie on the table, and Tuesday next (February 16) be assigned for their consideration.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 84. "An act to incorporate the Canaan Masonic Hall Association, which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 85. "An act to amend the charter of the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company," which was read a second time.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "A," which *303 * was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 86. "An act to incorporate the Brownville and Sebec Railroad Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

These bills were sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 135. "An act in addition to chapter 665 of the private acts of 1871, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company;'"

S. 43. "An act amendatory of, and additional to an act entitled 'an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company;'"

H. R. 140. "An act repealing 'an act to prevent the taking of pickerel in Three-Mile pond, in the towns of Vassalboro,' China and Windsor;'"

H. R. 61. "An act to incorporate the Wood and Bishop Foundry Company;'"

H. R. 142. "An act to legalize the doings of School District No. 3, in the town of St. George, in the county of Knox;'"

H. R. 70. "An act to incorporate the Bald Hill Brick and Manufacturing Company;'"

H. R. 39. "An act to authorize the Cobb Lime Company to increase its capital stock;'"

H. R. 138. "An act to amend chapter 166 of the public laws of 1874, relating to school money;'"

H. R. 122. "An act to amend section 148 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to abatement of taxes;'"

H. R. 144. "An act to incorporate the Forest Slate Company;"

H. R. 24. "An act to amend an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water;"

* H. R. 96. "An act to incorporate the Maine Boot and *304 Shoe Manufacturing Company;"

H. R. 137. "An act to incorporate the Little Blue Slate Company;"

H. R. 67. "An act to incorporate the Peoples' Savings Bank of Lewiston;"

H. R. 78. "An act to incorporate the Monson Pearl Slate Company;"

H. R. 81. "An act to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Mutual Relief Association of Portland;"

H. R. 49. "An act to incorporate the Topsham and Brunswick Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank;"

H. R. 129. "An act to incorporate the Cedar Brook and Swift Cambridge River Improvement Company;"

H. R. 141. "An act additional to 'an act in relation to contested elections;"

H. R. 113. "An act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Savings Bank;"

S. 68. "An act to authorize the Auburn Aqueduct Company to take water from Wilson pond in Auburn for domestic purposes and for extinguishing fires;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 25, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury;"

No. 29, H. "Resolve in favor of Crystal plantation in the county of Aroostook;"

No. 3, H. "Resolve in favor of roads passing through the Indian township in Washington county;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

* H. R. 152. Bill "an act giving a lien on pressed hay *305 for personal services in pressing," was taken from the table.

The bill was read a second time the rules being suspended.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Resolved, That the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

H. R. 145. Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. CUTLER,

The foregoing vote was reconsidered.

The same Senator moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and pending this question,

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 11.45 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

*SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1875. *306

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to uniformity in the weight of grain, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Commerce, on the annual report of the Inspectors of Steamboats, that the same be referred to the next legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to giving certain towns, barred by sparsity of population from the benefit of the free high school law, the advantages of said act under certain conditions, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of northern Maine, for a normal school at Lincoln, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Farwell and others, for amendment of meeting-house and school-house laws, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of A. P. Hutchinson and others, asking for a change in the close-time of *trout fishing in the Androscoggin river and its *307 tributaries, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Augustus Welt and others, with bill (H. R. 110) "an act to protect Medomak river," that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on an order relating to repealing chapter 301 of the resolves of 1874, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Jotham S. Works, for an act to incorporate the Piper Reservoir Dam Company, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to harmonizing the constitution and the statutes in regard to the mileage of members, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 111) "an act further regulating appeals from the probate courts in certain cases and for other purposes," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 68) "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 32 of the revised statutes, relating to days of grace," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order relating to explaining chapter 225 of the laws of 1868, entitled "an act to equalize the municipal war debt," that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the expediency of amending sections 60 and 61 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, so as to confer the benefits of the homestead exemption in certain cases, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the *308 *petition of Frank Straing, for compensation for wood furnished the troops at the last State Muster, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on the reports of the Warden and Inspectors of the Maine State Prison, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on (No. 69, H.) "resolve relating to settlers' lots under the treaty of Washington," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Frenchville for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill (H. R. 37) "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the St. Augustine School for Boys, at Topsham," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of J. C. Towle and others, with bill (H. R. 164) "an act to incorporate the Olamon Dam Company;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 112)

“an act to amend an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville,” that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, submitting (No. 58, H.) “resolve relating to the purchase by the State of the Maine reports,” and recommending that it receive a passage;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 7) “an act relating to fencing railroads,” with the *same in a *309 new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James Wood and others, with bill (H. R. 165) “an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Augusta Railroad Company;”

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Francis A. Reed and others, with (No. 59, H.) “resolve for the relief of Francis A. Reed and Edwin A. Reed, and the estate of William R. Hersey;”

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

* S. 65. Bill “an act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears,” passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheet “A,” and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, adopted House amendment “A,” and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

S. 52. Bill “an act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers,” indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Resolved, That the Senate adhere.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. CUTLER,

The foregoing vote was reconsidered, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table, and Wednesday next be assigned for its consideration.

H. R. 133. Bill “an act to amend chapter 45, section 1, of the *revised statutes, in relation to interest,” indefinitely *310

postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The following resolve :

No. 42, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," was read once and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

The following bill and resolves :

S. 22 "An act to incorporate the People's Loan and Building Association ;"

No. 47, H. "Resolve in aid of completing the road leading from Limestone to Hamlin ;"

No. 51, H. "Resolve in favor of Richard D. Porter ;"

Were each read once and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Mr. LORD presented (No. 60, S.) "resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill (S. 44) "an act to incorporate the Burleigh Lumber Manufacturing Company," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, submitted bill (S. 90) "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Magalloway River Dam Company,' approved March 15, 1861," reporting that it ought to pass.

*311 *The reports were 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 :

H. R. 156. "An act to enable Nelson Mullen and Andrew L. Kent to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at North Haven ;"

S. 53. "An act to incorporate the Camden Marine Railway Company ;"

H. R. 158. "An act to incorporate the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England ;"

H. R. 159. "An act additional to chapter 258 of the public laws of 1874, relating to taxation of railroad companies ;"

H. R. 27. "An act to legalize the doings of L. M. Partridge as a justice of the peace and quorum ;"

S. 63. "An act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Manufacturing Company ;"

H. R. 162. "An act to incorporate the Livermore Mutual Fire Insurance Company ;"

H. R. 163. "An act to incorporate a mutual fire insurance company in the the town of Thorndike ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

S. 51. "An act relating to mutual fire insurance companies ;"

S. 74. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 203 of the public laws of 1874, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen ;"

S. 64. "An act to incorporate the Limerick Savings Bank ;"

S. 50. "An act to make valid the organization of the Brown Slate Quarrying Company and to change *the number of shares and par value thereof in the stock of said company ;"

S. 73. "An act to incorporate the Maine Mining Company of Portland ;"

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 :

H. R. 147. "An act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to unite a town building with a soldiers' monument ;"

H. R. 149. "An act for the protection of deer on the island of Mt. Desert ;"

H. R. 72. "An act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Georges Valley Railroad ;"

H. R. 148. "An act additional to chapter 248 of the public laws of 1874, relating to fishing ;"

H. R. 20. "An act to incorporate the Presque Isle and St. John River Railroad Company ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 41, S. "Resolve in favor of the sub-committee of agriculture, appointed to visit the State College of Agriculture ;"

No. 23, S. "Resolve granting a pension to Charles W. Owen ;"

No. 38, S. "Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum of Bath ;"

No. 19, S. "Resolve in aid of repairing the road from Abbot to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis ;"

No. 37, S. "Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians ;"

*313 * 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 by Mr. ATWOOD,

H. R. 143. Bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy town treasurers," was taken from the table.

Amendment "A," proposed by the same Senator, was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

S. 46. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend section 4 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table.

Amendment "B," proposed by the same Senator, was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

These bills were sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet on Monday next at 3 o'clock P. M.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 10.25 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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Senate met according to adjournment, 3 o'clock P. M.

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

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That in the absence of the President, Hon. W. J. Corthell of Washington, be President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Corthell was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Morrison of Penbscot and Mr. Atwood of Waldo, and briefly returned his thanks for the honor, and accepted the office.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SANDERSON of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. FOSS,

The reading of the Journal of Saturday was omitted.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, informing the Executive Department that in the absence of the President Hon. W. J. Corthell has been chosen President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that body that in the absence of the President, Hon. W. J. Corthell *has been chosen President *315 *pro tempore* of the Senate.

The messages were conveyed by the Secretary.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Jacob Martin of Oakfield, for a deed of land, waiving settling duties, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

No. 61, H. "Resolve in favor of bridge across the Aroostook river at Caribou ;"

No. 62, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Fairfield ;"

Were each referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of S. D. Greenleaf and others, for a law requiring counties to build and maintain certain bridges, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, to which was recommit-
ted the petition of Franklin Teague and others, with bill (H. R. 166) "an act for the protection of eels in Damariscotta river and pond;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Charles O. Kilborn and others, with bill (H. R. 167) "an act to prevent fishing in Otter pond in the town of Bridgton;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. K. Knapp and others, with bill (H. R. 168) "an act to prevent the taking of trout from Howard's pond in the town of Hanover;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of George M. Weston, with (No. 63, H.) "resolve concerning the claim of George M. Weston against the State of Maine;"

*316 *Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 169) "an act providing for a lien to persons for raising or removing buildings;"

Report of the Committee on Towns, on the petition of John Pond and others, with bill (H. R. 170) "an act to incorporate the town of Woodville;"

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

H. R. 139. Bill "an act relating to the city schools of Bangor," amended per sheet "A," by striking out of the second and third lines of the bill as printed, (House Doc. No. 19,) the words: "not less than three nor more than," and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, with Senate amendment "A" rejected, and that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Mr. HASKELL, by leave, presented (No. 64, S.) "resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to constitutional conventions," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. HYDE, by leave, presented (No. 65, S.) "resolve authorizing an appropriation to pay for the chemical fire engine and hose, now in the possession of the State for the protection of the State House," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 91) "an act to amend the 6th section of 116th chapter of the revised statutes," (relating to mileage of members), which was read once, the rules being suspended, and pending the assignment for its second reading,

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and be printed.

* Mr. GOOLD presented (No. 66, S.) "resolve providing for the exchange of certain documents," which was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. RUSSELL, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on (No. 40, H.) "resolve abating State tax of Daigle plantation for the year 1869, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. EMERY, from the Joint Select Committee on Temperance, on the annual report of the State Liquor Commissioner, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Hermon, reported bill (S. 92) "an act to make valid the annual March meeting of the town of Hermon in the year 1873."

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

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the report of the Constitutional Commission, reported in part, submitting seventeen resolves concerning amendments of the Constitution of Maine, as follows:

No. 68, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to rights of religious societies."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 1.—*Rights of Religious Societies.* Article one, section three, of the Constitution, shall be amended by striking out the words “and all religious societies in this State, whether incorporate or unincorporate, shall at all times have the exclusive right of electing their public teachers, and contracting with them for their support and maintenance,” and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: “And all religious societies in this State, whether incorporate or unincorporate, shall at all times have the right of managing, in ways not inconsistent with any other provision of this instrument, their ecclesiastical affairs, according to the polity of their respective churches.”

No. 74, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to bribery at elections.”

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 2.—*Bribery at Elections.* SECTION 1. No person who shall receive, expect, or offer to receive, or pay, offer, or promise to pay, contribute, offer or promise to contribute to another, to be paid or used, any money or other valuable thing, as a compensation or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at an election, or who shall make or become directly or indirectly interested in any bet or wager depending upon the result of any election, shall vote at such election; and, upon challenge for such cause, the person so challenged, before the officers authorized for that purpose shall receive his vote, shall swear or affirm, before such officers, that he has not received or offered, does not expect to receive, has not paid, offered or promised to pay, and does not intend to pay; contributed, offered or promised to contribute, and does not intend to contribute to another, to be paid or used, any money or other valuable thing, as a compensation or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at such election, nor made or become directly or indirectly interested in any bet or wager, depending upon the result of such election.

SECT. 2. The legislature, at the session thereof next after the adoption of this section, shall, and from time to time thereafter may, enact laws excluding from the right of suffrage perpetually, or for a term of years, all persons convicted of bribery at any election, or of voting at any election under the influence of a bribe.

No. 75, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to November election."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 3.—*November Election*. SECTION 1. The election of such State and County officers as are chosen by popular vote, shall be on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, commencing in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

SECT. 2. Section four of article two, is hereby abrogated. Section four of article ten, is amended by striking out the word "September," and substituting therefor the word "November." Section seven of article nine of the amendments, is amended by striking out the words "on the second Monday of September," and further amended by substituting the word "November" for the word "September," in the seventh line of said section as printed in the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one. Section nine of the same article is amended by substituting for the words "the second Monday of September," the words "the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November." The second paragraph of article ten of the amendments, relative to the vote of citizens in the military service, is amended by substituting for the words "second Monday of September," in the eleventh line as printed in the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, the words "on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November." The same article is further amended in page fifty-three, in the twentieth line, by striking out the words "second Monday in September," and substituting therefor the words "Tuesday next after the first Monday in November."

*No. 76 S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to biennial elections and biennial sessions. *318

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 4 —*Biennial Elections and Biennial Sessions*. The Governor, Senators and Representatives in the Legislature shall be elected biennially, and hold office two years from the first Wednesday of January next succeeding their election. And the Legislature, at the first session next after the adoption of this

article, shall make all needful provisions by law in relation to the tenure of office of all county officers. The first election under this article shall be in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six; and the Legislature shall thereafter convene on the first Wednesday of January, biennially.

Section four of article two, section five of part two, article four, section one of part three, article four, section two, part two, article five, section one, part three of article five, section one of part four, article five, section four, article nine, and articles nine and ten of the amendments are amended by substituting the word "biennially," for the word "annually," wherever it occurs. Section two, part one, article five, is amended by striking out all after the word "office," and substituting therefor the words "for two years from the first Wednesday of January next following the election." Section thirteen of same part and article, section four of part four of same article, and article nine of the amendments are amended by substituting the word "biennial" for the word "annual," wherever it occurs, except in section eight in reference to municipal and police judges. Section four of article ten is amended by substituting the words "biennial meetings in the month of November," for the words "annual meetings in the month of September." Article ten of the amendments is further amended in paragraph two, as printed in the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relative to the voting of persons in the military service, so that said paragraph shall read as follows: "Citizens of this State, absent therefrom in the military service of the United States, and not in the regular army, being otherwise qualified electors, shall be allowed to vote, on the day fixed for the State election, for such State and County officers as are chosen by popular vote, under such rules and regulations as the Legislature may prescribe."

Section two, part one of article four, is amended, by striking out the words, "for one year from the day next preceding the annual meeting of the Legislature," and substituting therefor the words, "for two years from the day next preceding the biennial meeting of the Legislature."

Article nine, section seven of the amendments, is amended, by striking out the words "annual election on the second Monday of September," and substituting therefor "biennial election on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November," and is further

amended, by striking out the words "September election," and substituting therefor the words "November election."

No. 77, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to apportionment of Representatives."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 5.—*Apportionment of Representatives*. Sections two and three of article four, part first, and article four of the amendments, shall be stricken out and the following inserted in lieu thereof.

The House of Representatives shall consist of one hundred and fifty-one members, to be elected by the qualified electors, and to hold their offices during the same term as the Governor and Senators.

The existing apportionment of Representatives among the several cities, towns and plantations of this State, shall continue until the next apportionment of Representatives shall be made by the Legislature. The Legislature, after the first day of January and before the fifteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and within every subsequent period of at most ten years and at least five years, shall cause the number of the inhabitants of the State to be ascertained, exclusive of foreigners not naturalized, and Indians not taxed, and for that purpose may adopt the census last taken by authority of the government of the United States. The Legislature shall, at the several periods of making the enumeration of said inhabitants, apportion the whole number of Representatives, first among the counties, and the number apportioned to each county among the several representative districts thereof, as nearly as may be, according to the number of said inhabitants. There shall be as many representative districts in each county as the number of Representatives apportioned to such county; said districts to be made as nearly as may be by uniting contiguous territory, and without dividing any town or the ward of any city, *provided that* where any town or the ward of any city shall have inhabitants enough to entitle it, upon an equal apportionment, to more than one Representative, then the number of Representatives apportioned to said town or ward shall be the number to which it is so entitled; *provided also*, that if, in making up representative districts by uniting towns and the wards of cities, there should be

more Representatives apportioned to a county than the number of Representative districts, then the Legislature, in apportioning the Representatives to the districts of a county, may and shall determine what years, during the next ten years, such excess in the number of Representatives shall be assigned to, and elected by the several representative districts so established, having the largest excess of said inhabitants above the equal ratio of representation for the whole county; *provided also*, that in case single Representative districts cannot be so made out of contiguous territory, then the Legislature may make Representative districts, to which not more than two Representatives may be apportioned, if the aggregate of said inhabitants, therein, shall entitle them thereto. The Legislature shall not alter the right of representation so established until the next general apportionment, unless it shall become necessary, or convenient, upon the division or annexation of towns.

No. 78, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to election of Senators by plurality vote."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit :

No. 6.—*Election of Senators by plurality vote*. Senators shall be elected by a plurality of the votes given in by the qualified electors.

Sections four and five of article four, part second of the Constitution, are amended, by striking out the word "majority" wherever it occurs in said sections, and inserting instead thereof the word "plurality."

No. 79, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to special legislation and corporations."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit :

No. 7.—*Relating to Special Legislation and Corporations*. Amend article four, part third of the Constitution, by adding thereto the following sections :

SECTION 13. The Legislature shall from time to time provide, as far as practicable, by general laws, for all matters usually appertaining to special or private legislation.

SECT. 14. Corporations shall be formed under general laws, and shall not be created by special acts of the Legislature, except for municipal purposes, and in cases where the objects of the corporation cannot otherwise be attained; and, however formed, they shall forever be subject to the general laws of the State.

No. 80, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to the election of Governor by plurality vote."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 8.—*The Election of Governor by Plurality Vote*. The Governor shall be elected by a plurality of votes, given in by the qualified electors. The third section of article five, part first of Constitution, is amended, by striking out the word "majority" wherever it occurs in said section, and inserting instead thereof the word "plurality."

No. 81, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to removal of officers by the Governor."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 9.—*Removal of Officers by the Governor*. SECTION 1. The Governor may suspend from office, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General, and any Sheriff, County Attorney, County Commissioner, Register of Probate, or Register of Deeds, for insanity, or imbecility, or for corrupt practices, or for gross and wilful non-feasance, or malfeasance in office, after such officer shall have been furnished with specifications of the charges against him, and has had opportunity to be heard in defence; and may appoint another person to perform the duties of such suspended officer.

SECTION 2. If there shall be no session of the Legislature after said suspension, and before the expiration of the term of office of said suspended officer, then such suspension shall be an absolute removal of such officer. But if there be a session of the Legislature, after said suspension and before the expiration of the term of office of such suspended officer, such suspension shall not be a removal from office, unless the Legislature, after the examination of the charges which the Governor shall submit to it, shall sanction the action of the Governor. No person removed from office with

the sanction of the Legislature for any official misconduct, shall be again eligible to the same office. Vacancies in said offices by reason of removal shall be filled by appointment, or by election by the Legislature, or by the people at the next election for Governor, Senators and Representatives, as the Constitution or law may prescribe in relation to said offices.

No. 82, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to power of Governor to pardon.

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 10.—*Power of Governor to Pardon*. Article five, part first, section eleven, shall be amended, by striking out of said section all after the word "reprieves," and by adding thereto the following: Commutations and pardons, except in cases of impeachment, upon such conditions, and with such restrictions and limitations as may be deemed proper, subject to such regulations as may be provided by law, relative to the manner of applying for pardons. And he shall communicate to the Legislature, at each session thereof, each case of reprieve, remission of penalty, commutation or pardon granted, stating the name of the convict, the crime of which he was convicted, the sentence and its date, the date of the reprieve, remission, commutation or pardon, and the conditions, if any, upon which the same was granted.

No. 83, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to abrogation of the Council."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 11.—*Abrogation of the Council*. SECTION 1. Part second of article five is hereby abrogated.

SECT. 2. Section five of article four, part one, as amended, and section four of article four, part two, are hereby amended by striking out the words "and Council," and substituting therefor the words "Secretary of State and Attorney General." Sections eight and eleven, of article five, part one, are amended by striking out the words "and with the advice and consent of the Council." Sections three and four of article five, part three, and section four, part four of article five, are amended by striking out the words "and Council." Article nine, section one, is amended

by striking out the words "and Councillor, and Council," and the words "or any Councillor." Section four of same article is amended by striking out the words "and afterwards the two houses shall elect the Council." Section five of same article is amended by striking out the words "with the advice of the Council;" and section six of same article is amended by striking out the words "and Council." Section three of article six is amended by striking out the word "Council." Sections seven, eight and ten of article nine of the amendment, are each amended by striking out the words "with the advice and consent of the Council."

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Legislature to provide by law for a proper officer, without whose sanction no money shall be drawn from the Treasury.

No. 84, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to appointment by the Governor of Judges of Probate."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 12.—*Judges of Probate to be appointed by the Governor.*

Section seven of article six is amended by striking out of the first line the words "Judges and."

The following section is added to said article:

SECTION 9. Judges of Probate shall be appointed by the Executive power, in the same manner as other judicial officers, and shall hold their offices for the term of four years. *Provided however*, that the present incumbents shall hold their offices for the term for which they were elected.

No. 85, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to appointment of judges of municipal and police courts."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 13.—*Appointment of Judges of Municipal and Police Courts.* The Constitution shall be amended, by striking out section eight of article six, and inserting the following:

SECTION 8. Judges of municipal and police courts shall be appointed by the Executive power, in the same manner as other judicial officers, and shall hold their offices for the term of four

years. *Provided, however,* that the present incumbents shall hold their offices for the term for which they were elected.

No. 86, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to taxation."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 14.—*Taxation.* Section eight of article nine shall be amended, by inserting after the word "real" the words "and personal," so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:

SECTION 8. All taxes upon real and personal estate, assessed by authority of this State, shall be apportioned and assessed equally according to the just value thereof.

Said article shall be further amended, by adding the following:

SECT. 9. The Legislature shall never, in any manner, suspend or surrender the power of taxation.

No. 87, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to restrictions upon municipal corporations."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 15.—*Restrictions upon Municipal Corporations.* Municipal Corporations shall not give money or property, lend their credit, incur any liability, or raise money by taxation, except for municipal purposes; *provided however,* that any such Corporation, by a two-thirds vote at a legal meeting called for the purpose, may raise, by tax or loan, a sum of money not exceeding five per cent. of its regular State valuation at the time, in aid of the construction of railroads; and that any such debt shall be paid within twenty years by annual taxation of not less than five per cent. with accruing interest.

*319 No. 88, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the *Constitution of Maine, relating to abolishing land agency."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 16.—*Abolishing Land Agency.* Section ten of article nine, of the amendments, is hereby amended, by striking out the words "Land Agent and."

No. 89, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to codification of the amended Constitution."

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution of this State be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this State, in the manner required by the Constitution, to wit:

No. 17.—*Codification of the Amended Constitution.* ARTICLE 10. Section six of article ten, shall be amended, by striking out the same, and inserting instead thereof, the following:

SECTION 6. After the amendments proposed herewith shall have been submitted to popular vote, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall arrange the Constitution, as amended, under appropriate titles and in proper articles, parts and sections, omitting all sections, clauses, and words not in force, and making no other changes in the provisions or language thereof, and shall submit the same to the Legislature at its next session. And the draft, and arrangement, when approved by the Legislature, shall be enrolled on parchment and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State; and printed copies thereof shall be prefixed to the books containing the laws of the State. And the Constitution, with the amendments made thereto, in accordance with the provisions thereof shall be the supreme law of the State.

SECT. 7. Sections one, two and five, of article ten of the existing Constitution shall hereafter be omitted in any printed copies thereof, prefixed to the laws of the State; but this shall not impair the validity of acts under those sections; and said section five shall remain in full force as part of the Constitution according to the stipulations of said section, with the same effect as if contained in said printed copies.

The report was accepted, the resolves read once, the rules being suspended, and pending the assignment for their second reading,

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That they lie on the table.

The same Senator, from the same Committee on an order, relating to abolishing imprisonment for debt, reported bill (S. 93) "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to poor debtors."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (S. 32) "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to

ways," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill (S. 94) "an act to amend the 48th section of the 82d chapter of the revised statutes, in relation to demands filed in set off."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill (S. 95) "an act to amend the 22d section of the 59th chapter of the revised statutes, in relation to record of marriages, births and deaths."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, reported (No. 67, S.) "resolve providing for the payment of the members of the Constitutional Commission."

The reports were severally accepted, and the bills and resolve each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

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

*320 *H. R. 37. "An act to incorporate the Trustees of St. Augustine School for Boys, at Topsham;"

H. R. 164. "An act to incorporate the Olamon Dam Company;"

H. R. 112. "An act to amend an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

No. 58, H. "Resolve relating to the purchase by the State of the Maine reports," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves:

H. R. 7. "An act relating to fencing railroads;"

H. R. 165. "An act to incorporate the Lewiston and Augusta Railroad Company;"

No. 59, H. "Resolve for the relief Francis A. Reed and Edwin A. Reed and the estate of William R. Hersey;"

No. 47, H. "Resolve in aid of completing the road leading from Limestone to Hamlin;"

No. 51, H. "Resolve in favor of Richard D. Porter;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

S. 44. "An act to incorporate the Burleigh Lumber Manufacturing Company;"

S. 22. "An act to incorporate the People's Loan and Building Association;"

S. 90. "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Magalloway River Dam Company,' approved March 15, 1861;"

* Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. *321

Sent down for concurrence.

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

S. 34. "An act to increase the capital stock of the Dirigo Slate Quarry Company and authorize the construction of a Tramway Railroad;"

H. R. 150. "An act to incorporate the Portland and Harpswell Steamboat Company;"

H. R. 146. "An act amending an act entitled 'an act for the better protection of lobsters in the State of Maine;'"

H. R. 31. "An act to incorporate the Mammoth Silver Mining Company;"

H. R. 151. "An act amendatory of an act entitled 'an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostock county,' approved February 8th, in the year of our Lord, 1875;"

S. 61. "An act for the protection of moose;"

H. R. 153. "An act to incorporate the Washington County Masonic Relief Association;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

No. 31, H. "Resolve in favor of Sarah J. Vance," 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 by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of bill

*322 S. 43. "An act amendatory *of and additional to an act entitled 'an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.'"

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The votes whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be enacted and to be engrossed were reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of bill

H. R. 99. "An act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mercantile Bank, both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The votes were reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be enacted and to be engrossed, and

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of bill

H. R. 131. "An act to amend section 3 of chapter 198 of public laws of 1874, relating to disclosures of poor debtors."

*323 *The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The votes were reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be enacted and to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the last section, viz: "This act shall take effect when

approved," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the Senate with a detailed statement of the items of expenditures of the military appropriations of 1874.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

Ordered, That one hundred copies of the report of the Trustees of the State Orphans' Home at Bath be printed for the use of the Home.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the Senate hold a session on Tuesday afternoon next, commencing at three o'clock, at which session the proposed amendments to the Constitution, as reported by the Committee on the Judiciary, and such other amendments as may be proposed, shall be considered and acted upon, and no other business shall be in order at said session.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

The Senate at 4.20 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

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*TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of G. P. Smith and others, for relief in the matter of expense of opening a road in township 6, range 4, W. E. L. S., that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Thomas C. Wallace, for a deed of land, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of George W. Kalloch, for a deed of land, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Ryan, for a deed of land, that the petition have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of C. C. & G. F. Sampson, for conveyance of land, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James Timony and others, for aid to build a bridge over the East Branch *325 of Mattawamkeag river, * that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on (No. 69, H.) " resolve relating to settlers lots under the treaty of Washington," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of William H. Blanchard and others, with bill (H. R. 171) " an act to incorporate the Cumberland Centre Farmer's Club ;"

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Jared Fuller and others, with bill (H. R. 172) " an act to incorporate the Corinth Savings Bank ;"

Report of the Committee on County Estimates, on the estimates of the commissioners of the several counties, with (No. 70, H.) "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.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, submitting bill (H. R. 173) "an act in relation to elections of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians," and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and

On motion by Mr. MORRISON,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of J. G. Archer, with bill (H. R. 174) "an act to authorize Judson G. Archer to drain and flow Blunt's pond in the town of Lamoine, and to stock the same with trout;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of E. B. Ham and others, with bill (H. R. 175) "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Appleton in the County of Knox;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, * on the petition of Thomas Lovely, with (No. 71, H.) "re- *326 solve in favor of Thomas Lovely of Mapleton plantation;"

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of M. L. Durgin and others, with bill (H. R. 176) "an act to allow the town of Milo to regulate the width of wheel-rims;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph B. Fletcher and others, with bill (H. R. 177) "an act to authorize the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters;"

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means, on (No. 72, H.) "resolves authorizing a temporary loan," 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.

No. 73, H. "Resolve giving the Maine Historical Society the annual Legislative documents," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

No. 45, H. "Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians," passed to be engrossed by both branches, came from the House,

with former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, reconsidered, the resolve amended per sheet "A," by inserting after the word "for salary for priest, one hundred dollars," the words: "for dressing for land, one hundred dollars," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

The following resolve:

No. 44, H. "Resolve in favor of Amos P. Cook," was read once, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The following resolves:

No. 48, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;"

No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital;"

*327 * Were each read once, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That they lie on the table.

The following bills and resolves:

S. 83. "An act to amend the 22d section of the 59th chapter of the revised statutes;"

S. 72. "An act to amend section 62, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies;"

No. 54, S. "Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury;"

No. 46, H. "Resolve in favor of Eli Goss of Portland;"

No. 52, H. "Resolve in favor of Shephard I. Higgins;"

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the Governor's Message, and on (No. 2, S.) "resolve abolishing the office of deputy commissioner of the sinking funds," reported bill (S. 96) "an act renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund."

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

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Joseph B. Clark and others, for pay for expense of arresting

George Steritt, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the final report of said Committee, that they had acted on all matters referred to them.

Mr. PRESCOTT, from the Committee on Federal Relations, made a similar report.

* The reports were accepted.

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Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 166. "An act for the protection of eels in Damariscotta river and pond;"

H. R. 167. "An act to prevent fishing in Otter pond in the town of Bridgton;"

H. R. 168. "An act to prevent the taking of trout from Howard's pond in the town of Hanover;"

No. 63, H. "Resolve concerning the claim of George M. Weston against the State of Maine;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

H. R. 169. "An act providing for a lien to persons for raising or removing buildings;"

H. R. 170. "An act to incorporate the town of Woodville;"

Which were each read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That they lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 92. "An act to make valid the annual March meeting of the town of Hermon in the year 1873," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

No. 42, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of

Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," which was read a second time,
and

*329 * On motion by Mr. CUTLER,
Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 43, II. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,
Ordered, That it lie on the table.

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

H. R. 118. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization ;"

S. 30. "An act additional to an act establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company ;"

S. 17. "An act conferring additional powers upon the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to railroads ;"

H. R. 154. "An act to amend section 3 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the abolishing of school districts ;"

H. R. 18. "An act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad ;"

S. 67. "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Fish Company ;"

S. 60. "An act to amend chapter 124, section 28, of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals ;"

S. 87. "An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank of Auburn ;"

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 by Mr. FOSTER,

*330 * No. 27, H. "Resolve in favor of John A. Rowe," was taken from the table.

The resolve was read a second time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

H. R. 136. Bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

No. 43, H. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," was taken from the table.

The question being on its passage to be engrossed,

Mr. SWASEY proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by adding to the resolve the following :

"Provided that the several towns above specified shall prove their claims for reimbursement to the satisfaction of his Excellency the Governor, the Adjutant General and the State Treasurer, who are hereby constituted a commission for that purpose."

And on the question of its adoption,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 14
Nays..... 14

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Cross,	Cutler,	Emery,
Foster,	Goold,	Hanson,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Lord,	Palmer,	Rounds,
Swasey,	Thurlough—14.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cushing,	Donworth,	Foss,
French,	Haskell,	Kent,
Morrison,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Russell,	Stevens—14.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Hall,	Webb—3.
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* So the amendment was disagreed to, and

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On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. MORRISON,

The Senate at eight minutes past one o'clock P. M., adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment, 3 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution of Maine were taken from the table and considered, as follows :

No. 68, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to rights of religious societies," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 14
Nays..... 14

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Cross,	Cushing,
Donworth,	Foster,	Goold,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Swasey,	Thurlough—14.	

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cutler,
Emery,	Foss,	French,
Hall,	Hanson,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Kent,	Rounds,
Russell,	Stevens—14.	

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* ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

No. 74, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to bribery at elections," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

Mr. EMERY proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out section one, which was agreed to.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "B," to amend by striking out the word "section" in the second line and insert the word "amendment," which was agreed to.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas... .. 13
Nays..... 15

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Donworth,	Emery,
Foss,	Foster,	Goold,
Hall,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Lord,	Stevens,	Swasey,
Thurlough—13.		

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	French,
Hanson,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Morrison,	Palmer,
Richardson,	Rounds,	Russell—15.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, requesting the return to the Senate of the foregoing resolve.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, *and the *333 resolve was returned to the Senate, with Senate amendments "A" and "B" agreed to, the proposed amendment to the Constitution further amended per sheet "C," to amend by striking out all of the first line after the word "Legislature," all of the second line, and the word "thereafter" in the third line, so that said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall read as follows :

"The Legislature may enact laws excluding from the right of suffrage perpetually, or for a term of years, all persons convicted of bribery at any election, or of voting at any election under the influence of a bribe,"

and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

No. 75, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to November election," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 4
Nays..... 24

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Cushing,	Donworth,	Foster,
Haskell—4.		

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Emery,
Foss,	French,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Kent,
Lord,	Morrison,	Palmer,
Richardson,	Rounds,	Russell,
Stevens,	Swasey,	Thourlough—24.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Subsequently Mr. SWASEY moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote.

The motion was disagreed to.

The resolve was sent down for concurrence.

No. 76 S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the
 *334 * Constitution of Maine, relating to biennial elections and
 biennial sessions," was read a second time, the rules being
 suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas
 and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 11
 { Nays..... 17

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Campbell,	Donworth,	Foss,
Foster,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Lord,	Palmer,	Rounds.
Swasey,	Thurlough—11.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Emery,
French,	Goold,	Hall,
Hanson,	Haskell,	Hyde,
Kent,	Morrison,	Richardson,
Russell,	Stevens—17.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

No. 77, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to apportionment of Representatives," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 7
Nays..... 21

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Cutler,	Donworth,	Emery,
Haskell,	Hyde,	Russell,
Stevens—7.		

* The following Senators voted in the negative: *335

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Swasey,	Thurlough—21.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

No. 78, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to election of Senators by plurality vote," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 28
Nays..... none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Russell,	Stevens,	Swasey,
Thurlough—28.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer, Prescott, Webb—3.
 So the resolve passed to be engrossed.
 Sent down for concurrence.

*336 * No. 79, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the constitution of Maine, relating to special Legislation and Corporations," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 28
 { Nays none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Russell,	Stevens,	Swasey,
Thurlough—28.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer, Prescott, Webb—3.
 So the resolve passed to be engrossed.
 Sent down for concurrence.

No. 80, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to the election of Governor by plurality vote," was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 20
 { Nays 8

*337 * The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Donworth,	Foss,
Foster,	Goold,	Hall,
Hanson,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Lord,	Morrison,
Richardson,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Thurlough—20.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Corthell,	Cutler,	Emery,
French,	Hyde,	Kent,
Palmer,	Rounds—8.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Dyer,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the consideration of (No. 81, S.) "resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to removal of officers by the Governor," and the consideration of the several resolves concerning amendments numbered 82 to 89 inclusive, be assigned for to-morrow at 3 o'clock, P. M.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 5.15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

* WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1875. *338

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SANDERSON of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was omitted.

Papers from the House :

Petition of S. D. Thurston and others, for a charter for an insurance company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, submitting bill (H. R. 160) "an act to repeal an act to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on bridge over the Androscoggin river at Barker's

ferry," and also the report of the minority of the said Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the said petition, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, submitting that there are reasons in law why the majority report of the said Committee on Ways and Bridges should not be accepted, was accepted in concurrence.

House amendment "A" to the majority report of the *339 *said Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the said petition, to amend by substituting the minority report of said Committee, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was agreed to, and the report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to amending section 52 of chapter 224 of the public laws of 1874, relating to pressed hay, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill (H. R. 117) "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river, in the town of Washington," that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Aroostook County Delegation, on the petition of the County Commissioners of said county, with bill (H. R. 178) "an act increasing the compensation of the County Commissioners of Aroostook County;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order, with bill (H. R. 179) "an act to amend chapter 124 of the public laws of 1873, entitled 'an act in aid of free high schools;'"

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the special message of the Governor, with bill (H. R. 180) "an act fixing the compensation of councillors;"

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill (H. R. 40) "an act for the protection of fish in Chase's pond," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on an order, with bill (H. R. 181) "an act for the better protection of life and property;"

*340 *Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, submitting bill (H. R. 182) "an act concerning judicial proceedings," and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 80) "an act giving

to the municipal and police courts jurisdiction in matters of liens upon personal property in certain cases," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order, with bill (H. R. 184) "an act to make valid the doings of the selectmen of the town of Lyndon;"

Report of the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 105) "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 2 in the town of Monroe," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 35) "an act to repeal sections 39, 40 and 41 of chapter 24 of revised statutes, in relation to paupers," with the same in a new draft, under title of (H. R. 185) "an act in relation to paupers," and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on an order, with bill (H. R. 186) "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 133 of the public laws of 1873, relating to the powers and duties of prison and jail inspectors;"

Report of the Committee on Towns, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county, for authority to organize townships 16 and 17, range 10, into one plantation, and townships 16 and 17, range 11, into one plantation, with bill (H. R. 187) "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Aroostook county to organize the Allegast plantation;"

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of S. J. Burgess and others, with bill (H. R. 188) "an act to make free the Livermore Falls toll bridge;"

* Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each *341 read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of Moses Gould and others, for the establishment of a normal school in the place of Bridgton Academy, with bill (H. R. 189) "an act to establish and maintain a State normal school at North Bridgton in the county of Cumberland," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Resolved, That it be referred to the next Legislature.

H. R. 190. Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Railroad Company," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

S. 46. Bill "an act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend section 4 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes," which was amended per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House with Senate amendment "B" amended as per sheet "C," by striking out of section three, after the word "direction," the words "and control," and agreed to, the bill further amended as per sheet "D," by amending the title so as to read as follows: S. 46. "An act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend chapter 76 of the public laws of 1872."

Also by striking out section two and inserting instead the following: "Section 4 of chapter 76 of the public laws of 1872, is hereby amended by striking out the letter "s" in the word "offices," in the eleventh line of said section; also by striking out in the same line the words "and Bangor;" also by striking out in the thirteenth line the words "either of," and also the letter "s" in the word "offices," so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

"SECT. 4. The governor and council and land agent shall constitute a board, under whose direction all surveys of land shall be made. An accurate plan or map of all lands surveyed shall be returned to the land office, and entered upon the plan-books, within three months after the survey is completed, on which shall be laid down all lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, falls, mill-sites and roads. The field notes of such surveys shall contain a description of the growth, soil, and general character of the township, and of every lot, if it is surveyed into lots, which shall be deposited in the land office within three months. The said plans and field notes shall be kept at the office in Augusta, open for inspection at all times when the land agent or his assistant is in said office; he shall aid in furnishing information about the public lands to all persons who seek for it at his office."

And the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, agreed to House amendments "C" and "D," * and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence. *342

The following bills and resolves:

S. 93. "An act amendatory of and additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to poor debtors;"

S. 94. "An act to amend the 48th section of the 82d chapter of the revised statutes, in relation to demands filed in set-off;"

S. 96. "An act renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund;"

No. 65, S. "Resolve authorizing an appropriation to pay for the chemical fire engine and hose now in the possession of the State for the protection of the State House;"

No. 67, S. "Resolve providing for the payment of the members of the constitutional commission;"

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. HASKELL presented bill (S. 97) "an act to incorporate the Maine Unitarian Association," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, the rules being suspended.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. THURLOUGH presented (No. 90, S.) "resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Berwick and North Berwick, in the county of York," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the speedy construction of roads *under *343 certain circumstances, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of Joshua M. Leighton, to be set off from Steuben and annexed to Milbridge, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

. These reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 26) "an act to incorporate the Rockport Ice Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill (H. R. 41) "an act relating to the meeting of the Grand Jury of Oxford county at the December term of the Supreme Judicial Court," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, on the petition of N. J. Vander Weyde and others, reported bill (S. 100) "an act authorizing the inhabitants of Hurricane island in the town of Vinalhaven, to meet on said island for the choice of certain officers and the determination of certain questions."

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

Mr. CUTLER, from the Committee on Manufactures, submitted the final report of said Committee, that they had acted on all matters referred to them.

Mr. CROSS, from the Committee on Towns, made a similar report.

*344 *The reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 171. "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Centre Farmer's Club;"

H. R. 172. "An act to incorporate the Corinth Savings Bank;"

No. 70, H. "Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State;"

H. R. 174. "An act to authorize Judson G. Archer to drain and flow Blunt's pond, in the town of Lamoine, and to stock the same with trout;"

H. R. 175. "An act to legalize the doings of the town of Appleton in the county of Knox;"

No. 71, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Lovely of Mapleton plantation ;"

H. R. 176. "An act to allow the town of Milo to regulate the width of wheel rims ;"

H. R. 177. "An act to authorize the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters ;"

No. 72, H. "Resolve authorizing a temporary loan ;"

No. 73, H. "Resolve giving the Maine Historical Society the annual legislative documents ;"

No. 46, H. "Resolve in favor of Eli Goss of Portland ;"

No. 52, H. "Resolve in favor of Shephard I. Higgins ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 83. "An act to amend the 22d section of the 59th chapter of the revised statutes," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*The same Committee also reported the following bill : *345

S. 72. "An act to amend section 62, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 54, S. "Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

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

S. 62. "An act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn ;"

S. 63. "An act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Manufacturing Company ;"

H. R. 156. "An act to enable Nelson Mullen and Andrew L. Kent to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at North Haven ;"

S. 65. "An act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears;"

H. R. 27. "An act to legalize the doings of L. M. Partridge as a justice of the peace and quorum;"

S. 53. "An act to incorporate the Camden Marine Railway Company;"

H. R. 158. "An act to incorporate the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England;"

H. R. 162. "An act to incorporate the Livermore Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

H. R. 159. "An act additional to chapter 258 of the public *346 *laws of 1874, relating to taxation of railroad companies;"

H. R. 163. "An act to incorporate a mutual fire insurance company in the town of Thorndike;"

S. 84. "An act to incorporate the Canaan Masonic Hall Association;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

No. 57, S. "Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison," 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 by Mr. ATWOOD,

No. 42, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," was taken from the table.

The question being on the passage of the resolve to be engrossed,

Mr. SWASEY proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the word "of" in the first line and insert the following:

"Five thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated to the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, in full for the expenses of said College for the current year."

And on the question of its adoption,

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the

negative,	{	Yeas.....	5
	{	Nays.....	24

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Emery,	Foster,	Haskell,
Russell,	Swasey—5.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,	
* Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,	*347
Donworth,	Dyer,	Foss,	
French,	Goold,	Hanson,	
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,	
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,	
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,	
Rounds,	Stevens,	Thurlough—24.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Hall,	Webb—2.
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So the amendment was disagreed to.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "B," to amend by striking out the words "*twenty-five thousand,*" before the word "*dollars,*" and insert the words "*ten thousand.*"

And on the question of its adoption,

On motion by the same Senator,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the

negative, {	Yeas.....	5
	Nays.....	22

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Foster,	Haskell,	Rounds,
Russell,	Swasey—5.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Foss,
French,	Goold,	Hanson,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Stevens,
Thurlough—22.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Emery,	Hall,	Prescott,
Webb—4.		

So the amendment was disagreed to.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

*348 * The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in

the affirmative, } Yeas..... 23
 } Nays..... 5

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foss,	French,	Goold,
Hanson,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Stevens,	Thurlough—23.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Foster,	Haskell,	Rounds,
Russell,	Swasey—5.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Hall,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STEVENS presented bill (S. 101) "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the master, wardens and members of the Keystone Lodge,' approved February 24, 1855," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Molbry Kingman and others, reported bill (S. 102) "an act to authorize certain towns in Hancock county to require the use of wide rimmed wheels in certain cases."

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

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

*349 * *Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at 55 minutes past 12 o'clock adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment, 3 o'clock.

No. 81, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to removal of officers by the Governor," came up by assignment, and was read a second time, and pending its passage to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The foregoing resolve was taken from the table, and, after discussion,

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table, and that 3 o'clock P. M. tomorrow be assigned for its further consideration.

On motion by Mr. HINCKLEY,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed (No. 80, S.) "resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to the election of Governor by plurality vote."

The question returned on the passage of the resolve to be engrossed, on this question the yeas and nays were taken resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 9
Nays..... 19

* The following Senators voted in the affirmative: *350

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cushing,
Foss,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Morrison,	Richardson,	Swasey—9.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Corthell,	Cross,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foster,
French,	Goold,	Hall,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Palmer,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Thurlough—19.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Donworth,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

S. 25. Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

No. 74, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to bribery at elections," was taken from the table.

The Senate receded from its vote refusing the resolve a passage.

House amendment "C" was disagreed to.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 10
Nays..... 19

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Cushing,	Donworth,
*351 *Emery,	Foss,	Foster,
Goold,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Thurlough—10.		

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cutler,	Dyer,	French,
Hall,	Hanson,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey—19.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Prescott,	Webb—2.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

H. R. 133. Bill "an act to amend chapter 45, section 1, of the revised statutes, in relation to interest," was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved that the Senate recede and concur with the House in the passage of the bill to be engrossed, and on this question,

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 15
Nays..... 13

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Campbell,	Cross,	Cushing,
Donworth,	Foss,	Foster,
Hall,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Kent,
Morrison,	Rounds,	Stevens—15.

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cutler,	
* Dyer,	Emery,	French,	*352
Goold,	Lord,	Palmer,	
Richardson,	Russell,	Swasey,	
Thurlough—13.			

ABSENT.

Messrs. Hanson,	Prescott,	Webb—3.
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So the motion prevailed, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CAMPBELL,

The Senate at 4.55 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STRATTON of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was omitted.

Papers from the House :

§. 48. Bill "an act for supplying the city of Bangor with water," which was amended per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F," and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House with the several amendments agreed to, the bill further amended per sheets "G," "H," "I," "K" and "L," and passed to be engrossed.

* On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

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Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on the petition of the Lockwood Cotton Mills, with bill (H. R. 191) "an act to authorize the Lockwood Cotton Mills of Waterville to change the name of its corporation ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the First North Yarmouth Aqueduct Company," with bill (H. R. 192) "an act to change the name of the First North Yarmouth Aqueduct Company ;"

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on an order relating to the reduction of expenditures, with (No. 91, H.) "resolve relating to public documents ;"

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to reduction of expenditures, with (No. 92, H.) "resolve relating to the distribution of public documents ;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill (H. R. 74) "an act to repeal sections 81 and 82 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in relation to teachers' institutes," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on (No. 39, H.) "resolve in favor of compiling and printing the school laws," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, submitting (No. 93, H.) "resolve in favor of the Western State Normal School at Farmington ;" also submitting (No. 94, H.) "resolve in favor of the Eastern State Normal School at Castine ;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (S. 81) "an act relating to pledges," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill (S. 97) "an act to incorporate the Maine Unitarian Association," that the same ought to pass ;

*354 *Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, submitting bill (H. R. 195) "an act to amend the charter of the Norway Village Corporation," and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Thomas H. Getchell and Son, with (No. 95, H.) "resolve in favor of Thomas H. Getchell and Son ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the memorial of the Female Orphan Asylum of Portland, with (No. 96, H.) "resolve in favor of the Female Orphan Asylum, Portland ;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Managers

of the Children's Home, Bangor, with (No. 97, H.) "resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;"

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Benjamin Smith, with (No. 98, H.) "resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of David Doe, with (No. 99, H.) "resolve in favor of David Doe of Lyndon;"

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 State Lands and State Roads, on (No. 17, H.) "resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of B. R. Blackstone, for a deed of land, with (No. 100, H.) "resolve in favor of Bowdoin R. Blackstone;"

Report of the same Committee, on (No. 20, H.) "resolve *in favor of Joseph L. Young," that the same ought to *355 pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, and the resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Otis J. Witham for deed of land, with (No. 101, H.) "resolve in favor of Otis J. Witham;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Hugh Jamieson, for a deed of land, with (No. 102, H.) "resolve in favor of Hugh Jamieson;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition George H. Freeman, for a lot of land, with (No. 103, H.) "resolve in favor of George H. Freeman of Presque Isle;"

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Sabine F. Berry and another, for a deed of land, with (No. 104, H.) "resolve in favor of Sabine F. Berry and

Thaddeus C. S. Berry," was accepted in concurrence, and the resolve laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of A. F. Owens and others, for conveyance of land, with (No. 105, H.) "resolve in favor of A. F. Owens;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. Wiren, for a lot of land, with (No. 106, H.) "resolve in favor of Andrew Wiren of Woodland plantation;"

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, *356 on the petition of Thomas Mathieson, for *reimbursement for stumpage, with (No. 107, H.) "resolve in favor of Thomas Mathieson;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Andrew R. Higgins, with (No. 108, H.) "resolve in favor of Andrew R. Higgins;"

Were accepted in concurrence, and the resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the inhabitants of Castle Hill township, with (No. 109, H.) "resolve in favor of the south hay stack road in Castle Hill, in Aroostook county;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Samuel W. Coombs, with (No. 110, H.) "resolve appropriating two thousand dollars on Mattawamkeag bridge, at Mattawamkeag, in the county of Penobscot;"

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Chandler Baker and others, with (No. 111, H.) "resolve in favor of Moose River bridge;"

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

The following bill:

S. 32. "An act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The following bill:

S. 95. "An act to amend the 22d section of the 59th chapter of

the revised statutes, in relation to record of marriages, births and deaths," was read once, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of *J. Tyler Gray *357 and others, reported bill (S. 103) "an act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Insurance Company."

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

Mr. CUTLER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to closing up the affairs of the land office, reported bill (S. 104) "an act to facilitate the business of the land office and the disposal of the public lands."

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

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, submitted final report of said Committee, that they had acted upon all matters referred to them.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, requesting the return to the Senate of the report of the Committee on Claims on the petition of Joseph B. Clark and others, for reimbursement of expenses of the arrest of George Steritt, "that the petitioners have leave to withdraw."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and the report was returned to the Senate.

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

H. R. 178. "An act increasing the compensation of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county;"

H. R. 179. "An act to amend chapter 124 of the public laws of 1873, entitled 'an act in aid of free high schools;'"

* H. R. 180. "An act fixing the compensation of Councilors;" *358

H. R. 40. "An act for the protection of fish in Chase's pond ;"

H. R. 181. "An act for the better protection of life and property ;"

H. R. 182. "An act concerning judicial proceedings ;"

S. 80. "An act giving to the municipal and police courts jurisdiction in matters of liens upon personal property in certain cases ;"

H. R. 184. "An act to make valid the doings of the selectmen of the town of Lyndon ;"

H. R. 105. "An act to make valid the doings of school district No. 2 in the town of Monroe ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 185. "An act relating to paupers," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

H. R. 186. "An act to amend section 9 of chapter 133 of the public laws of 1873, relating to the powers and duties of prison and jail inspectors ;"

H. R. 187. "An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Aroostook county to organize the Allegash plantation ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 188. "An act to make free the Livermore Falls toll bridge," which was read a second time, and pending the adoption of House amendment "A,"

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

*359. * H. R. 190. "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Railroad Company," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 93. "An act amendatory of and additional to chapter 113 of

the revised statutes, in relation to poor debtors," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

S. 94. "An act to amend the 48th section of the 82d chapter of the revised statutes, in relation to demands filed in set off," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 65, S. "Resolve authoring an appropriation to pay for the chemical fire engine and hose now in the possession of the State for the protection of the State House," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve and bills :

No. 67, S. "Resolve providing for the payment of the members of the Constitutional Commission ;"

S. 96. "An act renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund."

S. 100. "An act authorizing the inhabitants of Hurricane island, in the town of Vinalhaven, to meet on said island for the choice of certain officers and the determination of certain questions ;"

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

Sent down for concurrence.

*The same Committee also reported the following bill : *360

*S. 102. "An act to authorize certain towns in Hancock county to require the use of wide rimmed wheels in certain cases," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

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

S. 79. "An act to authorize William Conary to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at Bluehill ;"

S. 78. "An act to incorporate the Canton and Dixfield Cheese Factory ;"

H. R. 37. "An act to incorporate the Trustees of St. Augustine School for Boys, at Topsham ;"

H. R. 143. "An act to provide for the appointment of deputy town treasurers ;"

H. R. 139. "An act relating to the city schools of Bangor ;"

H. R. 165. "An act to incorporate the Lewiston and Augusta Railroad Company ;"

S. 66. "An act to enforce the collection of taxes upon railroad companies ;"

S. 77. "An act to incorporate the Andover Dairy Association ;"

H. R. 164. "An act to incorporate the Olamon Dam Company ;"

S. 76. "An act to incorporate the North Livermore Cheese Company ;"

H. R. 112. "An act to amend an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville ;"

S. 75. "An act to incorporate the Wayne Cheese Factory Company ;"

S. 70. "An act explanatory of, and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions ;"

*361 * Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 59, H. "Resolve for the relief Francis A. Reed and Edwin A. Reed and the estate of William R. Hersey ;"

No. 58, H. "Resolve relating to the purchase by the State of the Maine reports ;"

No. 51, H. "Resolve in favor of Richard D. Porter ;"

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 :

H. R. 7. "An act relating to fencing railroads," and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 47, H. "Resolve in aid of completing the road leading from Limestone to Hamlin ;"

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

No. 44, H. "Resolve in favor of Amos P. Cook," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

The same Senator moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question,

On motion by the same Senator,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 7
 { Nays..... 19

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Cushing,	Foss,	Foster,	
* Palmer,	Rounds,	Russell,	*362
Swasey—7.			

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	French,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Richardson—19.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Goold,	Prescott,	Stevens,
Thurlough,	Webb—5.	

So the motion was disagreed to.

The resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

No. 43, II. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," was taken from the table.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The rules were suspended, and

Mr. RUSSELL moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate disagreed to amendment "A," proposed by Mr. SWASEY at the morning session of February 16th, and pending this question.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

The Senate at five minutes before one o'clock P. M., took a recess until half-past two o'clock.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate was called to order by the President *pro tempore*, and resumed consideration of the subject under discussion when the recess was ordered.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

*363 * On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

S. 48. Bill "an act for supplying the city of Bangor with water," was taken from the table.

The Senate receded, House amendment "G" was agreed to, House amendments "H," "I," "K" and "L" were disagreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 7. Bill "an act relating to fencing railroads," was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate passed the bill to be engrossed.

The vote was taken by rising, and the motion was disagreed to, two Senators voting in the affirmative and fourteen Senators voting in the negative.

The bill passed to be enacted in concurrence, and having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

No. 43, H. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," was taken from the table.

The question being on the motion by Mr. RUSSELL to recon-

sider the vote whereby amendment "A" was disagreed to, it was determined in the affirmative, so the vote was reconsidered.

Mr. EMERY proposed amendment marked "B," to amend by adding at the end of the resolve: "*Provided it shall appear to the satisfaction of the governor, the state treasurer and adjutant general, upon an examination of the accounts and records of the adjutant general's office, and treasurer's office, and the office of the secretary of state, that said sums have been paid into the state treasury by said towns, in excess of any contributions of men or commutations for men during the war of the rebellion. Said officers shall be a commission for that purpose, and shall decide thereupon on or before June first next. They shall have power to send for persons and papers if necessary for such examination. Immediately upon the decision of a majority thereof, such sums as shall be found to be proved, not exceeding the sum named in this act, shall be certified to the governor, who shall draw his warrant for the same in favor of the treasurers of the towns whose claims shall be so proved,*" as a substitute for amendment "A," and on the question of its adoption,

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 29
Nays none

* The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

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Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foss,	Foster,	French,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Thurlough—29.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Goold, Webb—2.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Mr. HYDE moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question,

On motion by the same Senator,
 The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the
 negative, { Yeas..... 6
 { Nays..... 23

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Cross,	Cutler,	Foster,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Palmer—6.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cushing,	Donworth,	Dyer,
Emery,	Foss,	French,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Thourlough—23.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Goold,	Webb—2.
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So the motion was disagreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*365 * On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The following resolves were taken from the table:

No. 48, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;"

No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital;"

The resolves were assigned for to-morrow for their second reading.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The following resolves were taken from the table:

No. 11, H. "Resolve in favor of Sumner P. Bradford;"

No. 49, H. "Resolve in favor of Fernando F. Smith and Lewis C. Smith;"

No. 8, H. "Resolve in favor of Lewis C. Coffin;"

The resolves were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. EMERY,

No. 17, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls,"
 was taken from the table.

The resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 173. Bill "an act in relation to elections of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians," was taken from the table and read a second time, the rules being suspended, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

No. 50, H. "Resolve in favor of James F. Farmer, James E. Weston, George Walls, Oliver P. Merriman, Edwin L. Reed, Winfield S. Evans, Timothy Tucker and Patrick St. John, of township No. 2, range 5," was taken from the table.

* On motion by the same Senator,

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Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

On motion by the same Senator,

No. 54, S. "Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury," was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question,

On motion by the same Senator,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 8
 { Nays 16

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Emery,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Lord,	Richardson—8.	

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Haskell,
Holbrook,	Kent,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Rounds,	Swasey,
Thurlough—16.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Goold,

Hall,

Hyde,

Prescott,

Russell,

Stevens,

Webb—7.

So the motion was disagreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Joseph *367 B. Clark and others, for reimbursement *for expenses of the arrest of George Steritt, and

On motion by the same Senator,

The report was recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at 5.50 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRANE of Hallowell.

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was omitted, on motion by Mr. FOSS.

Papers from the House :

The following resolves :

No. 112, H. "Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Reform School ;"

No. 113, H. "Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs ;"

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

The following bill :

H. R. 196. "An act to provide for *deficiency in the *368 appropriations for the expenditures of government for the year 1874," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

H. R. 197. Bill "an act to supply the inhabitants of Brewer with water," 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.

No. 114, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Shirley," was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on the petition of H. M. Merrill, with bill (H. R. 198) "an act to change the name of Helen M. Merrill;"

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the special message of the Governor, with (No. 115, H.) "resolve relating to the advertising of the public laws;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (S. 82) "an act relating to proceedings in court," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of S. D. Thurston and others, with bill (H. R. 200) "an act to incorporate the Ocean Mutual Marine Insurance Company;"

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

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on bill (H. R. 97) * "an act authorizing pensions for soldiers and soldiers' *369 orphans in Female Orphan Asylum in Portland, and Children's Home of Bangor," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That Tuesday next be assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on (No. 32, H.) "resolve in favor of Silver Ridge plantation," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the memorial of the directors of the Maine General Hospital, with (No. 116, H.) "resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital at Portland," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" was disagreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (H. R. 201) "an act in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill (H. R. 128) "an act relating to directors of railroads," that the same ought to pass ;

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

*370 *Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the special message of the Governor, with bill (H. R. 202) "an act relating to the duties of Secretary of State," was accepted, the bill read once and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Joseph B. Clark and another, with bill (H. R. 203) "an act for the relief of Joseph B. Clark and Edward R. Clark," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, submitting bill (H. R. 183) "an act to amend chapter 46 of the revised statutes, relating to taxation of corporations," and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and pending indefinite postponement in concurrence,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of citizens of Aroostook county for grant of land to the Aroostook River Railroad Company, with (No. 117, H.) "resolve in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad Company," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

No. 74, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the constitution of Maine, relating to bribery at elections," refused a passage by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote passing the resolve *to be engrossed. *371

The Senate receded, and

Mr. EMERY proposed an amendment marked "D," to amend House amendment "C" by striking out the words, "*perpetually or,*" which was disagreed to by a rising vote, 12 in the affirmative and 15 in the negative.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas... . . . 12
Nays..... 17

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Cross,	Cushing,
Donworth,	Emery,	Goold,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Morrison,
Prescott,	Stevens,	Thurlough—12.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Foss,	Foster,
French,	Hall,	Hanson,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Kent,
Lord,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Russell,	Swasey—17.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Rounds, Webb—2.

So the resolve was refused a passage, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Resolved, That the Senate adhere.

S. 85. Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House referred to the next Legislature.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

The following resolves and bill:

* No. 20, H. "Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young;" *372

No. 100, H. "Resolve in favor of Bowdoin R. Blackstone;"

No. 104, H. "Resolve in favor of Sabine F. Berry and Thaddeus C. S. Berry;"

H. R. 41. "An act relating to the meeting of the Grand Jury of Qxford county at the December term of the Supreme Judicial Court;"

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion by Mr. DYER,

No. 55, S. "Resolve in favor of the State Reform School," was taken from the table.

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, in response to an order of the Senate, transmitting a statement of expenditures of the appropriation for military purposes for the year 1874, which was read, and

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and be printed with the accompanying statement.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, reported bill (S. 105) "an act to amend chapter 71, section 1, paragraph 3, of the revised statutes."

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

Mr. EMERY, from the same Committee, submitted bill (S. 106) "an act to incorporate the Oxford Manufacturing Company."

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

Mr. RUSSELL, from the Committee on State Prison, on the report of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, reported in detail, submitting (No. 122, S.) "resolve in favor of State Prison."

Pending its acceptance, on motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the report lie on the table and be printed.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, submitted final report of said Committee, that they had acted upon all matters referred to them.

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made a similar report.

Mr. RUSSELL, from the Committee on State Prison, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SWASEY presented bill (S. 107) "an act to amend an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn, approved February 17, 1875," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the Hon. Frederic Kent, Senator from Lincoln, be excused from attendance after Saturday the 20th instant, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill (H. R. 133) "an act to amend chapter 45, section 1, of the revised statutes, in relation to interest."

* On motion by the same Senator,

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Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 91. Bill "an act to amend the 6th section of the 116 chapter of the revised statutes," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table, and that 3 o'clock P. M. be assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. ATWOOD moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed (No. 17, H.) "resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls," which motion,

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Was laid on the table and assigned for 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed (No. 50, H.) "resolve in favor of James F. Farmer, James E. Weston, George Walls, Oliver P. Merriman, Edwin L. Reed, Winfield S. Evans, Timothy Tucker and Patrick St. John, of township number two, range five."

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

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

H. R. 191. "An act to authorize the Lockwood Cotton Mills of Waterville to change the name of its corporation ;"

H. R. 192. "An act to change the name of the First North Yarmouth Aqueduct Company ;"

No. 91. H. "Resolve relating to public documents ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 92, H. "Resolve relating to the distribution of public documents,' which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolve :

H. R. 74. "An act to repeal sections 81 and 82 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in relation to teachers' institutes ;"

No. 39, H. "Resolve in favor of compiling and printing the school laws ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 93, H. "Resolve in favor of the Western State Normal School at Farmington ;"

No. 94, H. "Resolve in favor of the Eastern State Normal School at Castine ;"

Which were each read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That they lie on the table.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves:

S. 81. "An act relating to pledges ;"

S. 97. "An act to incorporate the Maine Unitarian Association ;"

H. R. 195. "An act to amend the charter of the Norway Village Corporation ;"

No. 95, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas H. Getchell and Son;"

No. 96, H. "Resolve in favor of the Female Orphan Asylum, Portland ;"

* No. 97, H. "Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's *376 Home ;"

No. 98, H. "Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith ;"

No. 99, H. "Resolve in favor of David Doe of Lyndon ;"

No. 101, H. "Resolve in favor of Otis J. Witham ;"

No. 102, H. "Resolve in favor of Hugh Jamieson ;"

No. 103, H. "Resolve in favor of George H. Freeman of Presque Isle ;"

No. 105, H. "Resolve in favor of A. F. Owens ;"

No. 106, H. "Resolve in favor of Andrew Wiren of Woodland plantation ;"

No. 109, H. "Resolve in favor of the south hay stack road in Castle Hill, in Aroostook county ;"

No. 110, H. "Resolve appropriating two thousand dollars on Mattawamkeag bridge, at Mattawamkeag, in the county of Penobscot ;"

No. 111, H. "Resolve in favor of Moose River bridge ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

S. 32. "An act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways ;"

S. 103. "An act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Insurance Company ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 48, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital," which was read a second time and laid on the table, and 3 o'clock P. M. assigned for its consideration.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

* No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital," which was read a second time. *377

Mr. RUSSELL proposed amendment marked "A," pending the adoption of which,

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table, and that Tuesday next be assigned for its consideration.

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

S. 89. "An act to incorporate the Pittsfield Savings Bank;"

S. 22. "An act to incorporate the People's Loan and Building Association;"

S. 92. "An act to make valid the annual March meeting of the town of Hermon in the year 1873;"

S. 74. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 203 of the public laws of 1874, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen;"

S. 64. "An act to incorporate the Limerick Savings Bank;"

S. 50. "An act to make valid the organization of the Brown Slate Quarry Company, and to change the number of shares and par value thereof in the stock of said company;"

H. R. 131. "An act to amend section 3 of chapter 198 of public laws of 1874, relating to disclosures of poor debtors;"

H. R. 168. "An act to prevent the taking of trout from Howard's pond in the town of Hanover;"

S. 44. "An act to incorporate the Burleigh Lumber Manufacturing Company;"

S. 73. "An act to incorporate the Maine Mining Company of Portland;"

H. R. 136. "An act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia;"

*378 *H. R. 166. "An act for the protection and propagation of eels in Damariscotta river and pond;"

S. 90. "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Magalloway River Dam Company,' approved March 15, 1861;"

H. R. 167. "An act to prevent fishing in Otter pond in the town of Bridgton;"

S. 43. "An act amendatory of and additional to an act entitled 'an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company;"

S. 51. "An act relating to mutual fire insurance companies;"

S. 86. "An act to incorporate the Brownville and Sebec Railroad Company;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 45, H. "Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians;"

No. 60, S. "Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture;"

No. 63, H. "Resolve concerning the claim of George M. Weston against the State of Maine;"

No. 27, H. "Resolve in favor of John A. Rowe;"

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 by Mr. HOLBROOK,

No. 94, H. "Resolve in favor of Eastern State Normal School at Castine," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the words "*seven hundred dollars for deficiency*," which was agreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

* On motion by the same Senator,

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No. 93, H. "Resolve in favor of the Western State Normal School at Farmington," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The Senate at fifteen minutes before one o'clock P. M., took a recess until half-past two o'clock P. M.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate was called to order by the President *pro tempore*.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 99. Bill "an act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mecantile Bank, both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

S. 96. Bill "an act renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 102. Bill "an act to authorize certain towns in Hancock county to require the use of wide rimmed wheels in certain cases," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

*380 *H. R. 185. Bill "an act in relation to paupers," was taken from the table.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 183. Bill "an act to amend chapter 46 of the revised statutes, relating to the taxation of corporations," was taken from the table.

The bill was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

S. 93. Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to poor debtors," was taken from the table, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and that Monday afternoon be assigned for its consideration.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

No. 81, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to removal of officers by the Governor," was taken from the table.

Mr. HASKELL proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the title by striking out the word "removal" and inserting instead the word "suspension," which was agreed to.

Mr. SWASEY moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 17
Nays..... 10

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cutler,	Dyer,	Foster,
Hall,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
* Morrison,	Palmer,	Richardson,*381
Swasey,	Thurlough—17.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Cushing,	Donworth,	Emery,
Foss,	Goold,	Haskell,
Holbrook,	Prescott,	Rounds,
Stevens—10.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Campbell,	French,	Russell,
Webb—4.		

So the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

No. 82, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to power of Governor to pardon," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed; the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 20
Nays..... 4

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Cross,	Cushing,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	Goold,	Hanson,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Swasey,	Thurlough—20.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Corthell,	Cutler,	Hall,
Hyde—4.		

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* ABSENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	French,
Prescott,	Russell,	Stevens,
Webb—7.		

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

No. 83, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to abrogation of the Council," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 6
Nays..... 18

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Cushing,	Donworth,	Emery,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Hyde—6.

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Corthell,	Cross,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Foss,	Foster,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Holbrook,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Swasey,	Thurlough—18.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	French,
Prescott,	Russell,	Stevens,
Webb—7.		

So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

No. 84, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the
*383 * Constitution of Maine, relating to appointment by the

Governor of Judges of Probate," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 5
Nays..... 23

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Cross,	Cutler,	Emery,
Goold,	Holbrook—5.	

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cushing,	Donworth,	Dyer,
Foss,	Foster,	Hall,
Hanson,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Rounds,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Thurlough—23.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. French,	Russell,	Webb—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

No. 85, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to appointment of judges of municipal and police courts," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 25
Nays..... 1

* The following Senators voted in the affirmative: *384

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	Goold,	Hall,
Hanson,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Rounds,	Stevens,
Swasey—25.		

The following Senator voted in the negative:
Mr. Thurlough—1.

Messrs. Atwood,	ABSENT. French,	Kent,
Russell,	Webb—5.	

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. DONWORTH,

No. 86, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to taxation," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 26
Nays none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	Goold,	Hall,
Hanson,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Lord,
*385 *Morrison,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Rounds,	Stevens,
Swasey,	Thurlough—26.	

Messrs. Atwood,	ABSENT. French,	Kent,
Russell,	Webb—5.	

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

No. 87, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to restrictions upon municipal corporations," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

Mr. CORTHELL proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the word "purposes," in the 8th line, which was disagreed to.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 133. "An act to amend chapter 45, section 1, of the revised statutes, in relation to interest," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were agreed to.

Mr. ATWOOD proposed amendment marked "C," to amend by adding the section: "*This act shall take effect January 1, 1876,*" which was disagreed to.

Mr. PALMER proposed amendment marked "D," to amend by striking out the words, "*or is merged into a judgment,*" which was disagreed to.

* The same Senator moved the indefinite postponement *386 of the bill, and on this question,

On motion by the same Senator,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 16
Nays..... 11

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cushing,
Cutler,	Donworth,	Dyer,
Emery,	Goold,	Hall,
Hanson,	Lord,	Palmer,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Swasey,
Thurlough—16.		

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Cross,	Foss,
Foster,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Morrison,
Rounds,	Stevens—11.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. French,	Kent,	Russell,
Webb—4.		

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. LORD,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the following bills :

H. R. 118. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization ;"

S. 60. "An act to amend chapter 124, section 28 of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals ;"

*387 *S. 65. "An act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears ;"

S. 70. "An act explanatory of and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions ;"

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and the bills were returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. LORD,

The Senate at 5 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STANLEY of Hallowell.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was omitted.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of E. H. Hayden and others, for deed of land, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on bill (H. R. 8) "an act to regulate the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Sagadahoc," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

*388 H. R. 204. "An act to authorize the town of Lyndon * to loan its credit in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that

branch, was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, that said Committee had entered into a contract with Messrs. Hartford & Smith to do the binding for the State for the current year, and submitting the contract, was accepted and the contract read and approved in concurrence, and the contract was by the Secretary deposited in the office of the Secretary of State.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill (H. R. 64) "an act relating to savings banks," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order, with (No. 118, H.) "resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order, with (No. 119, H.) "resolve in aid of bridge over Ouilett stream;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of David L. Kelley, with (No. 53, H.) "resolve in favor of David L. Kelley;"

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on an order, with bill (H. R. 205) "an act relating to the construction and rebuilding of bridges on highways;"

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

* Subsequently, on motion by Mr. PALMER,

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The foregoing vote assigning Monday for the second reading of the resolves and bill was reconsidered, and this afternoon was assigned for their second reading.

S. 100. Bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of Hurricane island, in the town of Vinalhaven, to meet on said island for the choice of certain officers and the determination of certain questions," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended per sheets "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

The following resolves and bills :

No. 107, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Mathison ;"

No. 108, H. "Resolve in favor of Andrew K. Higgins ;"

S. 104. "An act to facilitate the business of the Land Office and the disposal of the public lands ;"

S. 105. "An act to amend chapter 71, section 1, paragraph 3, of the revised statutes ;"

Were each read once and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

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

H. R. 196. "An act to provide for deficiency in the appropriations for the expenditures of government for the year 1874," which was read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs on the part of the Senate.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

H. R. 41. "An act relating to the meeting of the Grand Jury of Oxford county at the December term of the Supreme Judicial Court ;"

*390 *No. 55, S. "Resolve in favor of the State Reform School ;"

S. 106. "An act to incorporate the Oxford Manufacturing Company ;"

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves and bills :

No. 114, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Shirley ;"

H. R. 198. "An act to change the name of Helen M. Merrill ;"

No. 115, H. "Resolve relating to the advertising of the public laws ;"

S. 82. "An act relating to proceedings in court ;"

H. R. 200. "An act to incorporate the Ocean Mutual Marine Insurance Company ;"

No. 32, H. "Resolve in favor of Silver Ridge plantation ;"

H. R. 128. "An act relating to directors of railroads ;"

No. 20, H. "Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young;"

No. 100, H. "Resolve in favor of Bowdoin R. Blackstone;"

No. 104, H. "Resolve in favor of Sabine F. Berry and Thad-deus C. S. Berry;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

H. R. 201 "An act in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

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

H. R. 172. "An act to incorporate the Corinth Savings Bank;"

* H. R. 171. "An act to incorporate the Cumberland *391 Centre Farmer's Club;"

H. R. 176. "An act to allow the town of Milo to regulate the width of wheel rims;"

S. 101. "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Master, Wardens and Members of Keystone Lodge, approved February 24, 1855;"

H. R. 174. "An act to authorize Judson G. Archer to drain and flow Blunt's pond, in the town of Lamoine, and to stock the same with trout;"

H. R. 177. "An act to authorize the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters;"

S. 25. "An act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine;"

H. R. 175. "An act to legalize the doings of the town of Appleton in the county of Knox;"

S. 69. "An act to annex part of the town of Berwick to the town of North Berwick in the county of York;"

H. R. 26. "An act to incorporate the Rockport Ice Company;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 70, H. "Resolve laying a tax on the several counties of the State;"

No. 52, H. "Resolve in favor of Shephard I. Higgins ;"

No. 72, H. "Resolve authorizing a temporary loan ;"

No. 73, H. "Resolve giving the Maine Historical Society the annual legislative documents ;"

No. 46, H. "Resolve in favor of Eli Goss of Portland ;"

No. 71, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Lovely of Mapleton plantation ;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves, having been signed
*392 * by the President *pro tempore*, were, in the absence of the Governor from the Capital, retained by the Secretary upon the table of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That no Senator shall speak more than ten minutes on any one subject unless by unanimous consent, and each Senator may elect to occupy the ten minutes at one time or otherwise.

Subsequently the vote passing the foregoing order was reconsidered and the order was refused a passage.

Mr. ATWOOD presented a communication from the Maine Board of Agriculture, relating to agricultural societies, which was referred to the next Legislature.

The same Senator presented a communication from the Maine Board of Agriculture, relating to agricultural fairs, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. RICHARDSON, from the Committee on Claims, on (No. 65, S.) "resolve authorizing an appropriation to pay for the chemical fire engine and hose now in the possession of the State for the protection of the State House," reported the same in a new draft, under title of "resolve authorizing an appropriation to pay for a chemical fire engine," and that it ought to pass.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on (No. 66, S.) "resolve providing for the exchange of certain documents," reported that the same ought to pass.

*The report was accepted, the resolve read once, and *393 this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the Governor's message, reported bill (S. 108) "an act explanatory of and additional to chapter 251 of the public laws of 1874, relating to taxation of insurance companies."

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

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 91. Bill "an act to amend the 6th section of the 113 chapter of the revised statutes," (relating to mileage of members of the Legislature,) was taken from the table, and was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by the same Senator,

H. R. 170. Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Woodville," was taken from the table, and pending its passage to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Resolved, That it be referred to the next Legislature.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The following bills were taken from the table.

H. R. 118. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization;"

S. 60. "An act to amend chapter 124, section 28, of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals;"

S. 65. "An act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears;"

S. 70. "An act explanatory of and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions;"

On motion by the same Senator,

*The several votes of the Senate were reconsidered where- *394 by the Senate passed the foregoing bills to be enacted and to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A" to each of the foregoing bills, to amend the bills respectively by striking out the last section, to wit: "*This act shall take effect when approved.*"

The amendments were severally agreed to and the bills each passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently severally came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

The motion, by Mr. Atwood, to reconsider the vote of the Senate, whereby (No. 17, H.) "resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls," was indefinitely postponed, was taken from the table, and

The vote to indefinitely postpone said resolve was reconsidered.

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 188. Bill "an act to make free the Livermore Falls toll bridge," was taken from the table.

House amendment "A" was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by the same Senator,

H. R. 145. Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors," was taken from the table.

The pending question being the motion by Mr. Cutler, to indefinitely postpone the bill, on this question,

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

*395 * The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 6
 { Nays..... 15

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cushing,
Cutler,	Haskell,	Morrison—6.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Cross,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Stevens,	Thourlough--15.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Foster,	French,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Kent,
Lord,	Russell,	Swasey—9.

So the motion was disagreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

No. 87, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to restrictions upon municipal corporations," was taken from the table.

Mr. HASKELL moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate disagreed to amendment "A."

The motion was disagreed to.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas... .. 10
Nays..... 13

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cushing,
Foss,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Morrison,	Prescott,	Stevens,
Swasey—10.		

* The following Senators voted in the negative:

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Messrs. Campbell,	Cross,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Emery,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Thurlough—13.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Foster,	French,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
Russell,	Webb—8.	

So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently came back non-concurred and passed to be engrossed, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Subsequently a message was received from the House, by S. J. Chadbourne, Esq., its Clerk, requesting the return to that branch of the foregoing resolve.

Ordered, That the resolve be sent to the House.

On motion by Mr. HANSON,

No. 88, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitu

tion of Maine, relating to abolishing land agency," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 20
Nays none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
*397 *Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Haskell,	Morrison,	Palmer,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Stevens,	Thurlough—20.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Donworth,	Foster,	French,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Russell,
Swasey,	Webb—11.	

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

No. 89, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to codification of the amended Constitution," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 19
Nays none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Haskell,	Morrison,	Palmer,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Stevens,
Thurlough—19.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Cushing,	Foster,	French,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Rounds,
Russell,	Swasey,	Webb—12.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

* Sent down for concurrence.

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Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

No. 64, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to constitutional conventions," was taken from the table, and was read a second time, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 17
Nays..... none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foss,	Goold,	Haskell,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Thurlough—17.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Foster,	French,	Hall,
Hanson,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Kent,	Lord,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Swasey—13.		

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The Senate at 15 minutes past 12 o'clock M., adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment, 3 o'clock.

*399 *The President resumed the Chair.

Papers from the House :

No. 121, H. "Resolve refunding a part of State tax of Perkins plantation," was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

No. 120, H. "Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash ;"

H. R. 206. Bill "an act to change the name of Franklin McLoon ;"

Were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on bill (H. R. 202) "an act relating to the duties of Secretary of State," that the same ought not to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

H. R. 170. Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Woodville," passed to be engrossed by the House and indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with

Messrs. Clark of Lincoln,
Judd of Presque Isle,
Edes of Burlington,

appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposed conference, and joined

Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,
Rounds of Androscoggin,
Haskell of Cumberland,

conferees on its part.

No. 42, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," passed to be engrossed
*400 by the Senate, came from the House amended *per sheet
"A," to amend by striking out "twenty" before "thousand," and insert "ten," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed

Messrs. Atwood of Waldo,
Palmer of Penobscot,
Cushing of Knox,

conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently came back concurred as to the proposed conference, and

Messrs. Talbot of East Machias,
Barron of Topsham,
Anderson of Gray,

are joined conferees on the part of the House.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

H. R. 64. Bill "an act relating to savings banks," was taken from the table.

The Senate receded and agreed to House amendments "A," "B" and "C."

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "D," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 52. Bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers," was taken from the table.

The Senate adhered to its vote to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

No. 92, H. "Resolve relating to the distribution of public documents," was taken from the table.

* On motion by the same Senator,

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Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

H. R. 130. Bill "an act regulating costs in certain cases," was taken from the table, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by the same Senator,

No. 17, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls," was taken from the table.

Mr. CUTLER proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after "*Land Agent*," in third line, and insert the

following: "And pay into the State Treasurer one-half the proceeds of said sale, and the balance be appropriated to the town of Island Falls to aid in rebuilding a bridge in said town over the Mattawamkeag stream, and the Land Agent is hereby authorized to pay the same over to the treasurer of said town to be used for that purpose," which was disagreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. DONWORTH,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed (No. 117, H.) "resolve in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad Company."

Mr. CUTLER proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the title by adding, "*and the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company,*" also amendment marked "B," which were agreed to.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

Paper from the House:

No. 43, H. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," which was amended per sheet "B" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House with Senate amendment "B" amended per sheets "C" and "D," and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, and pending the adoption of House amendments "C" and "D,"

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table and that the amendments be printed.

*402 *On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 201. Bill "an act in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases," was taken from the table.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and that Monday be assigned for its consideration.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

S. 72. Bill "an act to amend section 62, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

H. R. 169. Bill "an act providing for a lien to persons for raising or removing buildings," was taken from the table, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 204. "An act to authorize the town of Lyndon to loan its credit in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad ;"

No. 118, H. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls ;"

No. 53, H. "Resolve in favor of David L. Kelley ;"

No. 108, H. "Resolve in favor of Andrew K. Higgins ;"

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

* No. 119, H. Resolve in aid of bridge over Ouilette stream," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

H. R. 205. "An act relating to the construction and rebuilding of bridges on highways," which was read a second time and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

No. 107, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Mathison," which was read a second time, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table and that Monday be assigned for its further consideration.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

S. 105. "An act to amend chapter 71, section 1, paragraph 3, of the revised statutes ;"

S. 104. "An act to facilitate the business of the land office and the disposal of the public lands;"

No. 66, S. "Resolve providing for the exchange of certain documents;"

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:

- S. 46. "An act to repeal chapter 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter
- 314 of the resolves of 1874, and to amend chapter 76 of the public laws of 1872;"

*404 H. R. 184. "An act to make valid the doings of the * Selectmen of the town of Lyndon;"

H. R. 187. "An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Aroostook county to organize the Allegash plantation;"

H. R. 180. "An act fixing the compensation of Councillors;"

H. R. 105. "An act to make valid the doings of school district No. 2 in the town of Monroe;"

S. 80. "An act giving to the municipal and police courts jurisdiction in matters of liens upon personal property in certain cases;"

H. R. 179. "An act to amend chapter 124 of the public laws of 1873, entitled 'an act in aid of free high schools;'"

H. R. 186. "An act to amend section 9 of chapter 133 of the public laws of 1873, relating to the powers and duties of prison and jail inspectors;"

S. 83. "An act to amend the 22d section of the 59th chapter of the revised statutes;"

H. R. 190. "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Railroad Company;"

H. R. 178. "An act increasing the compensation of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county;"

H. R. 40. "An act for the protection of fish in Chase's pond;"

H. R. 182. "An act concerning judicial proceedings;"

H. R. 181. "An act for the better protection of life and property;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 49, H. "Resolve in favor of Fernando F. Smith and Lewis C. Smith;"

No. 44, H. "Resolve in favor of Amos P. Cook;"

No. 8, H. "Resolve in favor of Lewis C. Coffin;"

No. 67, S. "Resolve providing for the payment of the members of the Constitutional Commission;"

No. 11, H. "Resolve in favor of Sumner P. Bradford;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

* And the foregoing bills and resolves were signed by *405 the President, and the Governor being absent from the Capital, were retained by the Secretary upon the table of the Senate.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill (S. 88) "an act concerning municipal and police courts," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet on Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 4.55 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 10 o'clock A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

The reading of the Journal of Saturday was omitted.

Papers from the House :

H. R. 64. "An act relating to savings banks," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

*406. *The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

No. 87, S. "Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to restrictions upon municipal corporations," refused a passage by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

No. 122, S. "Resolve in favor of the State Prison," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EMERY, by leave, presented (No. 123, S.) "resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine, concerning bribery at elections," which was read twice, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 19
Nays.... none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Goold,
Haskell,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Stevens,	Thurlough,
Webb—19.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Atwood,	Foss,	Foster,
French,	Hall,	Hanson,
Hinckley,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Russell,	Swasey—12.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came back concurred.

* Mr. ROUNDS, by leave, presented bill (S. 109) "an *407 act relating to savings banks," which was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. PALMER proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by adding to section one the following: "*Provided, however, that any savings bank in this State whose deposits exceed (\$200,000) two hundred thousand dollars, may invest not exceeding twenty-five per cent. of its capital in loans on names alone,*" which was disagreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ATWOOD, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches on (No. 42, S.) "resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," reported that the Committee were unable to agree with the Committee appointed on the part of the House, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

A second Committee of Conference was proposed on the foregoing resolve, and

Messrs. Corthell of Washington,
Cutler of Penobscot,
Donworth of Aroostook,

were appointed conferees on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently came back concurred as to a second conference, with

Messrs. McGilvery of Searsport,
Weed of Veazie,
Locke of Paris,

joined as conferees on the part of the House.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on
 *408 * the report of the Constitutional Commission, in relation
 to the submission to the people of proposed amendments
 to the Constitution, reported (No. 124, S.) "resolves providing
 for certain amendments to the Constitution of the State of Maine."

The report was accepted, the resolves read twice, the rules
 being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolves to be engrossed, a two-
 thirds vote being required, the yeas and nays were taken, result-
 ing in the affirmative, { Yeas... 17
 { Nays..... none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Emery,	Goold,	Haskell,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Palmer,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Thurlough,	Webb—17.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Campbell,	Dyer,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Hall,
Hanson,	Hinckley,	Kent,
Lord,	Morrison,	Russell,
Stevens,	Swasey—14.	

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the
 Governor's message, relating to divorce laws, reported that the
 same subject has been considered, under an order of the Legisla-
 ture, by another Committee.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the com-
 *409 munication of the Maine Board of Agriculture, *relating
 to agricultural fairs, reported that legislation thereon is
 inexpedient.

These reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DONWORTH, from the Committee on State Lands and
 State Roads, on the report of the Commissioner on Claims of Set-

tlers on Proprietors' Lands, reported (No. 125, S.) "resolve in favor of settlers on proprietors' lands."

The report was accepted, and

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table and be printed.

Mr. STEVENS presented bill (S. 110) "an act to change the name of Frances Etta Felker," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

The report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (S. 5) "an act relating to insurance and the office of insurance examiner," that the same ought not to pass, was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the report by striking out the word, "*not*," which was agreed to, and the report as amended was accepted, the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. ATWOOD proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"SECTION 1. *The salary of the Insurance Commissioner of this State shall be the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, and be payable in the same manner as now authorized by law.*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

* Papers from the House :

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No. 126, H. "Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of Martin H. Kiff," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. HASKELL proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the words "*five hundred dollars*," and inserting the words "*two hundred and fifty dollars to defray such judicious and necessary expenses as shall be approved by the Governor and Council.*"

The amendment was agreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

No. 127, H. "Resolve making appropriation for the propagation of fish," 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.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The foregoing vote was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the word "*five*," and inserting the word "*fifteen*."

The amendment was agreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Avis W. Young, with (No. 10, H.) "resolve in favor of Avis W. Young," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the heirs of Samuel Emery, for certificate of land, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

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

H. R. 192. "An act to change the name of the First North Yarmouth Aqueduct Company;"

S. 103. "An act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Insurance Company;"

*411 *S. 94. "An act to amend the 48th section of the 82d chapter of the revised statutes, in relation to demands filed in set-off;"

H. R. 191. "An act to authorize the Lockwood Cotton Mills of Waterville to change the name of its corporation;"

S. 97. "An act to incorporate the Maine Unitarian Association;"

S. 65. "An act repealing, chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears;"

H. R. 206. "An act to change the name of Franklin McLoon;"

H. R. 185. "An act in relation to paupers;"

H. R. 41. "An act relating to the meeting of the Grand Jury of Oxford county at the December term of the Supreme Judicial Court;"

H. R. 128. "An act relating to directors of railroads;"

H. R. 195. "An act to amend the charter of the Norway Village Corporation;"

H. R. 74. "An act to repeal sections 81 and 82 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in relation to teachers' institutes;"

S. 107. "An act to amend 'an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn,' approved February 17, 1875;"

S. 82. "An act relating to proceedings in court;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence, and were signed by the President.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

S. 96. "An act renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CROSS,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

* On motion by the same Senator,

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The Senate at 30 minutes past 12 o'clock adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

S. 108. Bill "an act explanatory of and additional to chapter 251 of the public laws of 1874, relating to taxation of insurance companies," was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion by Mr. HOLBROOK,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be enacted bill (S. 96) "an act renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund."

On motion by the same Senator,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, requesting the return to the Senate of (No. 119, H.) "resolve in aid of bridge over Ouilette stream."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and the resolve was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed the foregoing resolve was reconsidered.

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

*413 * Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

No. 50, H. "Resolve in favor of James F. Farmer, James E. Weston, George Walls, Oliver P. Merriman, Edwin L. Reed, Winfield S. Evans, Timothy Tucker and Patrick St. John, of township No. 2, range 5," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

No. 98, H. "Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith."

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's message as relates to authorizing women to administer oaths and take acknowledgement of deeds, that legislation is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

No. 126, H. "Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of Martin H. Kiff," amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch disagreeing to Senate amendment "A" and insisting on its former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, rejected amendment "A," and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill (S. 5) "an act relating to insurance and the office of Insurance Commissioner," that the same ought *not* to pass, amended by the Senate by striking * out the word "*not*," *414 and accepted, came from the House adhered, and

On motion by Mr. ATWOOD,

Resolved, That the Senate adhere.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches on bill (H. R. 170) "an act to incorporate the town of Woodville," recommending that the same be amended per sheet "A" and passed.

The report was accepted, the Senate receded, agreed to House amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

H. R. 201. Bill "an act in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the word "*solitary*," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

No. 117, H. "Resolve in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad Company," was taken from the table.

Mr. DONWORTH proposed amendments marked "C" and "D," which were agreed to.

Mr. CORTHELL moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 21
 { Nays..... 3

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Dyer,
Emery,	Foss,	Foster,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
* Haskell,	Holbrook,	Hyde, *415

Messrs. Morrison, Rounds,	Prescott, Thurlough,	Richardson, Webb—21.
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The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Cushing,	Donworth,	Palmer—3.
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ABSENT.

Messrs. French, Lord, Swasey—7.	Hinckley, Russell,	Kent, Stevens,
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So the resolve was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the part of the Senate, on bill (H. R. 196) "an act to provide for deficiency in the appropriations for the expenditures of government for the year 1874," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

S. 32. "An act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways;"

H. R. 203. "An act for the relief of Joseph B. Clark and Edward R. Clark;"

S. 48. "An act for supplying the city of Bangor with water;"

S. 102. "An act to authorize certain towns in Hancock county to require the use of wide rimmed wheels in certain cases;"

S. 81. "An act relating to pledges;"

H. R. 204. "An act to authorize the town of Lyndon to loan its credit in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad;"

*416 *S. 60. "An act to amend chapter 124, section 28, of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals;"

H. R. 188. "An act to make free the Livermore Falls toll bridge;"

S. 100. "An act authorizing the inhabitants of Hurricane island, in the town of Vinalhaven, to meet on said island for the choice of certain officers and the determination of certain questions;"

H. R. 197. "An act to supply the inhabitants of Brewer with water;"

H. R. 99. "An act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mercantile Bank, both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland."

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 105, H. "Resolve in favor of A. F. Owens;"

No. 112, H. "Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Reform School;"

No. 113, H. "Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs;"

No. 53, H. "Resolve in favor of David L. Kelley;"

No. 95, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas H. Getchell and Son;"

No. 104, H. "Resolve in favor of Sabine F. Berry and Thaddeus C. S. Berry;"

No. 111, H. "Resolve in favor of Moose River bridge;"

No. 103, H. "Resolve in favor of George H. Freeman of Presque Isle;"

No. 109, H. "Resolve in favor of the south hay stack road in Castle Hill, in Aroostook county;"

No. 96, H. "Resolve in favor of the Female Orphan Asylum, Portland;"

No. 102, H. "Resolve in favor of Hugh Jamieson;"

No. 17, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Island Falls;"

*No. 99, H. "Resolve in favor of David Doe of Lyn- *417 don;"

No. 39, H. "Resolve in favor of compiling and printing the school laws;"

No. 91, H. "Resolve relating to public documents;"

No. 110, H. "Resolve appropriating two thousand dollars on Mattawamkeag bridge, at Mattawamkeag, in the county of Penobscot;"

No. 101, H. "Resolve in favor of Otis J. Witham;"

No. 108, H. "Resolve in favor of Andrew K. Higgins;"

No. 120, H. "Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash;"

No. 97, H. "Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;"

No. 106, H. "Resolve in favor of Andrew Wiren of Woodland plantation;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER, •

No. 47, H. "Resolve in aid of completing the road leading from Limestone to Hamlin," was taken from the table, and was finally passed in concurrence.

And the foregoing bills and resolves, having been signed by the President, together with the several bills passed to be enacted at the forenoon session of the Senate, and the several bills passed to be enacted at the morning and afternoon sessions of the Senate of Saturday, February 20th, and the several resolves finally passed at said sessions of February 20th, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

The Senate at 4.45 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

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*TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Miss. HAINES of Hallowell.

Ordered, That the reading of the Journal of yesterday be omitted.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Education, on certain orders, and the annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, submitting bill (H. R. 207) "an act in relation to the apportionment of school moneys paid by the State Treasurer;" also bill (H. R. 208) "an act in relation to fiscal school returns of towns to be made to the State Superintendent of Common Schools;" also bill (H. R. 209) "an act to amend section 74 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, defining the duties of the State Superintendent of Common Schools;" was accepted in concurrence, and the bills each read once, and

Ordered, That they lie on the table.

Subsequently a message was received from the House of Representatives by S. J. Chadbourne, Esq., its Clerk, requesting the return to that branch of the foregoing bills.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The foregoing bills were taken from the table and sent to the House.

* No. 98, H. "Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith," *419 indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon the final passage of the resolve, and

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Mr. HOLBROOK presented (No. 128, S.) "resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. DONWORTH,

No. 125, S. "Resolve in favor of settlers on proprietors' lands," was taken from the table and was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. EMERY presented bill (S. 111) "an act to empower the Executive to appoint women to certain offices," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The resolves and bill were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EMERY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's message as relates to fees of sheriffs under the enforcement act, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, submitted final report of said Committee, that they had acted upon all matters referred to them.

These reports were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

No. 48, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, and after discussion,

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

No. 43, H. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and planta-

*420 tions," * was taken from the table, and pending the adoption of House amendment "C," to Senate amendment "B," to strike out the word "*Governor*" and insert "*Attorney General*,"

Mr. SWASEY moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve.

The motion was disagreed to, and on the question of adopting House amendment "C,"

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 15
 { Nays 13

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Emery,
Foss,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Morrison,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Russell,	Stevens,	Thurlough—15.

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Cross,	Cutler,	Foster,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Holbrook,	Hyde,	Kent,
Lord,	Palmer,	Rounds,
Swasey—13.		

Absent or not voting :

Messrs. Cushing,	French,	Webb—3.
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So the amendment was agreed to.

On the question of adopting House amendment "D," to amend by striking out all after the words "Secretary of State," in the seventh line of Senate amendment, and inserting :

"That money was illegally and wrongfully demanded of said towns, or either of them, and paid by them into the State Treasury. Said officers shall be a commission for that purpose, and shall decide thereupon, on or before the first day of June next. They shall notify the said towns of the time and place of hearing in said examination; shall have power to send for persons and papers if necessary. Immediately upon the decision of a majority of said commission, if they shall find that money was illegally and wrongfully demanded and paid by said towns, or either of them, they shall certify to the Governor the amount they shall find due to said towns, or either of them, (with

interest, if they see fit to allow the same,) and the Governor shall draw his warrant on the State Treasurer for the same in favor of the said towns, or either of them, for such sum or sums as shall so be found due to them or either of them.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 8
 { Nays..... 19

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Donworth,
Haskell,	Morrison,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Stevens—8.	

* The following Senators voted in the negative:

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Messrs. Atwood,	Cross,	Cutler,
Dyer,	Foss,	Foster,
Goold,	Hall,	Hanson,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Palmer,
Rounds,	Russell,	Swasey,
Thurlough—19.		

Absent or not voting:

Messrs. Cushing,	Emery,	French,
Webb—4.		

So the amendment was disagreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the second Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches on (No. 42, S.) "resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," reported, recommending that the resolve be amended per sheet "C," by striking out the words "*twenty-four*" in the first line and inserting the word "*fourteen*."

The report was accepted.

The Senate recessed. Amendment "C," proposed by the Committee was agreed to, and on the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 22
 { Nays..... 3

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Goold,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
*422 *Hyde,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Thurlough—22.		

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Foster,	Haskell,	Swasey—3.
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Absent or not voting :

Messrs. Cushing,	French,	Hall,
Holbrook,	Kent,	Webb—6.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

No. 48, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital," was taken from the table.

The question being the passage of the resolve to be engrossed,

Mr. SWASEY proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out all after the word "charge" in the second line of the resolve as printed (Senate Doc. No. 41) and insert the following: "The completion of the chapel building as contemplated in the resolve of the last Legislature, and that the sum of three thousand and five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose. The accounts for the repairs to be audited and allowed by the Governor and Council."

And on the question of its adoption,

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 3
Nays..... 25

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Donworth,	Foster,	Swasey—3.
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The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cushing,	Cutler,

Messrs. Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Goold,	Hall,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens,
Thurlough—25.		

Absent or not voting :

Messrs. French, Hanson, Webb—3.

* So the amendment was disagreed to. *423

Mr. HASKELL proposed amendment marked "B," which was agreed to, and on the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 24
Nays..... 2

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Goold,	Haskell,	Hinckley,
Holbrook,	Kent,	Lord,
Morrison,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Rounds,	Russell,
Stevens,	Thurlough,	Webb—24.

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Foster, Swasey—2.

Absent or not voting :

Messrs. Cushing, French, Hall,
Hanson, Hyde—5.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital," was taken from the table.

The question being on the adoption of amendment "A" proposed by Mr. Russell, pending this question,

Mr. FOSTER moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question,

On motion by the same Senator,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas 14
 { Nays 14

*424 * The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cushing,	Foss,	Foster,
Hanson,	Hinckley,	Lord,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Swasey,	Thurlough—14.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Cross,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Goold,
Haskell,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Morrison,	Palmer,
Russell,	Stevens—14.	

Absent or not voting :

Messrs. French,	Hall,	Webb—3.
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So the motion was disagreed to.

Amendment " A " was agreed to.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed,

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas 25
 { Nays 3

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cutler,	Donworth,	Dyer,
Emery,	Foss,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Holbrook,	Hyde,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Russell,	Stevens,	Swasey,
Thurlough—25.		

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Foster,	Prescott—3.
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Absent or not voting :

Messrs. Cushing, French, Webb—3.

* So the resolve passed to be engrossed. *425

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

On motion by Mr. DONWORTH,

The report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 13) "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators," that the same ought not to pass, was taken from the table.

Mr. SWASEY moved to amend the report by substituting therefor the report of the minority of the Committee, submitting bill (S. 54) "an act to amend chapter 262 of the public laws of 1874, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons," and pending this question,

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The Senate at ten minutes before one o'clock P. M., adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment, 2.30 o'clock.

Papers from the House :

H. R. 210. Bill "an act to incorporate the Dixmont Mountain Dairy Association ;"

H. R. 211. Bill "an act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws of 1872, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen ;"

Were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

H. R. 212. Bill "an act in relation to the Border Publishing Company," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

* *Ordered*, That it lie on the table. *426

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator,

The foregoing bill was taken from the table and read a second

time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

H. R. 213. Bill "an act concerning taxation of State banks," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and

On motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator,

The foregoing bill was taken from the table and read a second time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the Governor's message, relating to the taxation of express companies, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, with bill (H. R. 214) "an act to amend section 65 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damage on ways," was accepted and the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

S. 105. Bill "an act to amend chapter 71, section 1, paragraph 3, of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

The Senate insisted upon its former vote.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on an order relating to the repeal of the sheriff enforcement act, (so called,) *427 *or a rendering the fees and costs less burdensome or oppressive, that legislation as to the repeal is inexpedient, and submitting the following bills as to that part relating to fees :

H. R. 215. "An act to amend section 5 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to fees;" and

H. R. 216. "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act relating to the duties of sheriffs and county attorneys.'"

Was accepted in concurrence and the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended.

On motion by Mr. MORRISON,

Ordered, That the bill (H. R. 215) be referred to the next Legislature.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the bill (H. R. 216) be referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the Governor's message, relating to military affairs, with (No. 129, H.) "resolve in favor of military purposes," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

S. 91. Bill "an act to amend the 6th section of the 116th chapter of the revised statutes, relating to pay and travel of members of the Legislature," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

Mr. EMERY moved that the Senate insist upon its former vote, and on this question,

On motion by the same Senator,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 15
Nays..... 14

* The following Senators voted in the affirmative: *428

Messrs. Atwood,	Cutler,	Dyer,
Emery,	Foster,	Goold,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Russell,	Swasey,	Webb—15.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Donworth,	Foss,
French,	Hanson,	Hyde,
Kent,	Morrison,	Rounds,
Stevens,	Thurlough—14.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Hall, Lord—2.

So the Senate insisted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate resumed consideration of the report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill (S. 13) "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators," that the same ought not to pass, under consideration at adjournment.

The question being on the motion by Mr. Swasey, to amend the report of the majority by substituting therefor the report of the minority of the Committee, submitting bill (S. 54) "an act to amend chapter 262 of the public laws of 1874, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons," on this question,

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the negative, { Yeas..... 8
Nays..... 21

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Corthell,	Foster,	Kent,
Lord,	Morrison,	Rounds,
Swasey,	Thurlough—8.	

*429 *The following Senators voted in the negative.

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
French,	Goold,	Hall,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Holbrook,
Hyde,	Palmer,	Prescott,
Richardson,	Russell,	Stevens—21.

Absent or not voting:

Messrs. Hanson,	Webb—2.
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So the motion was disagreed to.

The report of the majority was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

No. 107, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Mathison," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, requesting the return to the Senate of (No. 125, S.) "resolve in favor of settlers on proprietors' lands."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and the resolve was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing resolve to be engrossed, and

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The resolve was referred to the next Legislature, by a rising vote, 22 in favor to 4 opposed.

Subsequently, Mr. HALL moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote, which motion was disagreed to, 10 in the affirmative to 12 in the negative, the vote being by rising.

* Sent down for concurrence.

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On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of the following bills:

S. 82. "An act relating to proceedings in court;"

H. R. 185. "An act in relation to paupers;"

S. 81. "An act relating to pledges;"

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and the bills were returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

The several votes of the Senate whereby the foregoing bills were passed to be enacted and passed to be engrossed were reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A," to each of the foregoing bills, *to amend the bills respectively by striking out the last section, to wit: "This act shall take effect when approved."*

The amendments were severally agreed to, and the bills each passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CORTHELL presented bill (S. 112) "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the town of Talmage, in the county of Washington,'" which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House:

No. 130, H. "Resolve authorizing the State Librarian to furnish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts with

the Maine Reports," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital," *431 which *was amended per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House with Senate amendment "A" amended per sheet "B," the resolve further amended per sheet "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, agreed to House amendment "B," disagreed to House amendment "C," and passed the resolve to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following bills:

H. R. 207. "An act in relation to the apportionment of school moneys paid by the State Treasurer;"

H. R. 208. "An act in relation to fiscal school returns of towns to be made to the State Superintendent of Common Schools;"

H. R. 209. "An act to amend section 74 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, defining the duties of the State Superintendent of Common Schools;"

Were severally referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

No. 42, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," which was amended per sheet "C" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House with amendment "C" disagreed to, and that branch adheres to its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

No. 43, H. "Resolve in favor of certain towns and plantations," which had been passed to be engrossed by the Senate, House amendment "D" having been disagreed to, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote adopting amendment "D."

Resolved, That the Senate adhere to its vote disagreeing to the amendment.

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

S. 108. "An act explanatory of and additional to chapter 251 of the public laws of 1874, relating to taxation of insurance companies," which was read a second time.

Mr. HOLBROOK proposed amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

S. 70. "An act explanatory of and additional to section 65 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions;"

H. R. 118. "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization;"

H. R. 198. "An act to change the name of Helen M. Merrill;"

H. R. 200. "An act to incorporate the Ocean Mutual Marine Insurance Company;"

S. 106. "An act to incorporate the Oxford Manufacturing Company;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 100, H. "Resolve in favor of Bowdoin R. Blackstone;"

No. 54, S. "Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury;"

No. 118, H. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls;"

No. 55, S. "Resolve in favor of the State Reform School;"

No. 114, H. "Resolve in favor of the town of Shirley;"

No. 115, H. "Resolve relating to the advertising of the public laws;"

No. 94, H. "Resolve in favor of the Eastern State Normal School at Castine;"

* No. 93, H. "Resolve in favor of the Western State *433 Normal School at Farmington;"

No. 20, H. "Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young;"

No. 32, H. "Resolve in favor of Silver Ridge plantation;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence, and having been severally signed by the President, were by the Secretary retained upon the table of the Senate, the Governor being absent from the Capital.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

No. 116, H. "Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital at Portland;"

On motion by Mr. MORRISON,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 5.20 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1875.

Senate met according to adjournment, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. JAKES of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

The several bills and resolves passed to be enacted and finally passed at the session of yesterday, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

*434 * Papers from the House :

S. 88. Bill "an act concerning municipal and police courts," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

S. 91. "Bill "an act to amend the 6th section of the 116th chapter of the revised statutes," relating to pay and travel of members of the Legislature, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, and that branch adheres to its vote to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Resolved, That the Senate adhere.

The following bills :

H. R. 215. "An act to amend section 5 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to fees ;"

H. R. 216. "An act to amend an act entitled an act relating to the duties of sheriffs and county attorneys ;"

Which were passed to be engrossed by the House, and referred to the next Legislature by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its former vote.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That they lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by the same Senator,

The foregoing bill (H. R. 216) relating to the duties of sheriffs and county attorneys, was taken from the table, and the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

S. 93. Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to poor debtors," was taken from the table, and pending its passage to be engrossed,

Mr. FOSTER moved that it be indefinitely postponed,
*and on this question, *435

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the
negative, { Yeas. 14
 { Nays..... 15

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cross,
Donworth,	Dyer,	Foster,
French,	Hall,	Hanson,
Hyde,	Morrison,	Prescott,
Rounds,	Russell—14.	

The following Senators voted in the negative :

Messrs. Cortell,	Cushing,	Cutler,
Emery,	Foss,	Goold,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Kent,
Lord,	Palmer,	Richardson,
Stevens,	Swasey,	Thurlough—15.

Absent or not voting :

Messrs. Holbrook, Webb—2.

So the motion was disagreed to.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

Ordered, That the bill be referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Paper from the House :

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means, on an order, with bill (H. R. 217) "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, amounting to the sum of eight hundred ninety-nine thousand seven hundred fifty-three dollars and ten cents," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. HINCKLEY,

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 10.30 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Land Agent, 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 by Mr. HALL of the Senate,

Messrs. Hall of York,

Palmer of Penobscot, of the Senate,

Messrs. Snow of Hallowell,

Randall of Island Falls,

Barron of Topsham,

Talbot of East Machias,

Anderson of Gray, 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	144
Necessary for a choice	73
Parker P. Burleigh has.....	117
Daniel Randall	19

J. W. Lyman	4
Z. R. Folsom.....	2
C. H. Haskell	1
C. F. Durell.....	1

The report was accepted, and Hon. Parker P. Burleigh
 * was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current *437
 political year.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention notify Hon.
 Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent for the current
 political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

No. 98, H. "Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith," was taken
 from the table, and the Senate recessed.

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked "A," to amend
 so that the resolve shall read as follows :

*"Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars is hereby granted
 to Benjamin Smith of Appleton."*

The amendment was disagreed to, 10 in the affirmative and 17
 in the negative, the vote being by rising.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendment marked "B," to amend by
*striking out the word "life," and inserting instead the words "until
 otherwise ordered."*

The amendment was disagreed to, 9 in the affirmative and 15 in
 the negative, the vote being by rising.

On motion by Mr. HALL,

Ordered, That the resolve be indefinitely postponed, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,

Resolved, That the Senate adhere.

On motion by Mr. HYDE,

No. 129, H. "Resolve in favor of military purposes," was
 taken from the table and read a second time, the rules being sus-
 pended.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "B," to amend
 House amendment "A."

The amendments were agreed to, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

*438 * Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

H. R. 215. Bill "an act to amend section 5 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to fees," was taken from the table.

The Senate insisted upon its vote referring the foregoing bill to the next Legislature, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed

Messrs. Emery of Hancock,
Foster of Oxford;
Donworth of Aroostook,

conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently came back with

Messrs. Wilson of Bangor,
Cleaves of Portland,
Anderson of Gray,

appointed conferees on the part of the House.

Mr. HALL presented (No. 131, S.) "resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to the qualification of voters," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and

On motion by Mr. CUTLER.

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The resolve was taken from the table, and on the question of its passage to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were taken, resulting

in the negative, { Yeas 12
 { Nays 16

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Campbell,	Emery,	Foster,
Hall,	Hanson,	Hinckley,
Kent,	Lord,	Rounds,
Stevens,	Thurlough,	Webb—12.

*439 *The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Corthell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,

Messrs. Dyer,	Foss,	French,
Goold,	Haskell,	Morrison,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Russell,
Swasey—16.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Holbrook,	Hyde,	Palmer—3.
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So the resolve was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence. Came back concurred.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed in concurrence bill (S. 88) "an act concerning municipal and police courts," and

On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate insisted upon its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of bill (H. R. 200) "an act to incorporate the Ocean Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

The votes were reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be enacted and to be engrossed, and

Ordered, That the bill lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

H. R. 97. Bill "an act authorizing pensions for soldiers' and sailors' orphans in Female * Orphan Asylum in Port- *440 land, and Children's Home of Bangor," was taken from the table, and after discussion,

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. HINCKLEY,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed (No. 50, H.) "resolve in favor of James F. Farmer, James E. Weston, George Walls, Oliver P. Merriman, Edwin L.

Reed, Winfield S. Evans, Timothy Tucker and Patrick St. John,
of township No. 2, range 5."

On motion by the same Senator,

Ordered, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

H. R. 145. "An act additional to chapter 27 of the revised
statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors ;"

S. 72. "An act to amend section 62, chapter 49 of the revised
statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies ;"

S. 104. "An act to facilitate the business of the land office
and the disposal of the public lands ;"

S. 110. "An act to change the name of Frances Etta Felker ;"

H. R. 170. "An act to incorporate the town of Woodville ;"

S. 96. "An act renewing a portion of the public debt, discon-
tinuing the sinking fund of 1865, and abolishing the office of com-
missioner of the sinking fund ;"

S. 109. "An act relating to savings banks ;"

H. R. 196. "An act to provide for deficiency in the appro-
priations for the expenditures of government for the year
1874 ;"

*241 *H. R. 130. "An act regulating costs in certain cases ;"

H. R. 212. "An act in relation to the Border Publishing
Company ;"

S. 108. "An act explanatory of and additional to chapter 251
of the public laws of 1874, relating to taxation of insurance com-
panies ;"

H. R. 211. "An act to continue in force chapter 5, public
laws of 1872, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and sea-
men ;"

H. R. 185. "An act in relation to paupers ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 66, S. "Resolve providing for the exchange of certain
documents ;"

No. 126, H. "Resolve providing for the payment of the ex-
penses of Martin H. Kiff ;"

No. 127, H. "Resolve making appropriation for the propaga-
tion of fish ;"

No. 119, H. "Resolve in aid of bridge over Ouilette stream;"

No. 10, H. "Resolve in favor of Avis W. Young;"

No. 65, S. "Resolve authorizing an appropriation to pay for a chemical fire engine;"

No. 122, S. "Resolve in favor of the State Prison;"

No. 128, S. "Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate;"

No. 48, S. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;"

No. 107, H. "Resolve in favor of Thomas Mathison;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

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

H. R. 201 "An act in relation to the execution of sentence * in capital cases;" and *442

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,
Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. CUTLER,
No. 116, H. "Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital," was taken from the table.

Mr. MORRISON moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate passed the foregoing resolve to be engrossed, and on this question,

On motion by Mr. GOOLD,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the
negative, { Yeas..... 4
 { Nays..... 24

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Cushing, Morrison, Swasey,
Thurlough—4.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Cross,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Kent,	Lord,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Richardson,
Rounds,	Russell,	Stevens—24.

ABSENT—Messrs. Holbrook, Hyde—2.

NOT VOTING—Mr. Webb—1.

So the motion was disagreed to.

The resolve 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 by Mr. PALMER,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

*443 * On motion by the same Senator,

The Senate at 5 minutes before 1 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

A communication was received from Hon. Parker P. Burleigh, Land Agent elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

Papers from the House :

No. 132, H. "Resolve in favor of George R. Fernald," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Female Suffrage, on the petition of the Woman's Suffrage Association, with bill (H. R. 218) "an act amendatory of section 9 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, extending the right of suffrage to women in municipal elections," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

S. 112. Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the town of Talmage, in the county of Washington,'" passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

S. 88. Bill "an act concerning municipal and police courts," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed, and "*adhered.*"

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

No. 129, H. "Resolve in favor of military purposes," amended per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed as amended per sheet "A" by that branch.

The Senate insisted upon its vote passing the resolve * to *444 be engrossed as amended per sheet "B."

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the resolve come back from the House, and that branch still adheres.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House further amended per sheet "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

H. R. 200. Bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Mutual Marine Insurance Company," was taken from the table, and

On motion by the same Senator,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. PALMER,

H. R. 97. Bill "an act authorizing pensions for soldiers' and sailors' orphans in Female Orphan Asylum in Portland and Children's Home of Bangor," was taken from the table, and

On motion by the same Senator,

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Paper from the House:

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches on bill (H. R. 215) "an act to amend section 5 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to fees," with the same in a new draft, under title of (H. R. 215) "an act to establish the fees of officers for travel in certain cases," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

* Mr. THURLOUGH presented (No. 133, S.) "resolve *445 establishing the valuation of the towns of Berwick and

North Berwick, in the county of York," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

S. 111. Bill "an act to empower the Executive to appoint women to certain offices," came from the House passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting a return to the Senate of (No. 65, S.) "resolve authorizing an appropriation to pay for a chemical fire engine."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the resolve was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The vote whereby the Senate finally passed the foregoing resolve was reconsidered, and

On motion by the same Senator,

The resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the resolve came back, the House insisting on its vote finally passing the resolve, and appointing

Messrs. Wheelwright of Bangor,

Edes of Burlington,

Treat of Winterport,

*446 * conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed.

Messrs. Hanson of York,

Haskell of Cumberland,

Foster of Oxford,

conferees on its part.

Mr. HANSON, from the foregoing Committee, subsequently reported that the Committee were unable to agree with the Com-

mittee appointed on the part of the House, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Resolved, That the Senate adhere.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting a return to the Senate of bill (H. R. 211) "an act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws of 1872, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. STEVENS,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. RUSSELL,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of (No. 63, H.) "resolve concerning the claim of George M. Weston against the State of Maine."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the resolve was returned to the Senate.

On motion by the same Senator,

The vote whereby the Senate finally passed the resolve was reconsidered.

* The same Senator moved the indefinite postponement *447 of the resolve.

The motion was disagreed to, 8 in the affirmative and 14 in the negative, the vote being by rising.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That the resolve lie on the table.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. ROUNDS,

The foregoing resolve was taken from the table, and

Resolved, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting a return to the Senate of bill (S. 65) "an act repealing chapter 177 of the public laws of 1874, relating to bounty on wolves and bears."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was returned to the Senate.

Mr. EMERY moved that the vote be reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be enacted.

Mr. FOSTER raised a point of order: That the motion to reconsider was not in order without a suspension of the rules, it not being made on the same day or the day following the vote by which the bill was passed to be enacted.

The Chair sustained the point of order.

Mr. EMERY withdrew his motion, and the Senate *Ordered*, That the bill be returned to the Governor.

On motion by Mr. HASKELL,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

On motion by Mr. SWASEY,

H. R. 201. Bill "an act in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases," was taken from the table, and on the question of the passage of the bill to be enacted,

*448 *On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 15
 { Nays..... 14

The following Senators voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Donworth,	Dyer,
Emery,	French,	Goold,
Haskell,	Hinckley,	Hyde,
Richardson,	Russell,	Thurlough—15.

The following Senators voted in the negative:

Messrs. Corthell,	Cutler,	Foss,
Foster,	Hall,	Hanson,
Kent,	Lord,	Morrison,
Palmer,	Prescott,	Rounds,
Stevens,	Swasey—14.	

ABSENT—Mr. Holbrook—1.

NOT VOTING—Mr. Webb—1.

So the bill 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.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by a Committee of that branch, of which Mr. Leavitt of Eastport was Chairman, informing the Senate of the desire of the House to hold an evening session for the purpose of a final adjournment of the Legislature, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. CORTHELL,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate ordered that when the Senate adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

On motion by the same Senator,

**Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet *449 this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that branch of the concurrence of the Senate in its proposition for an evening session.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

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

S. 105. "An act to amend chapter 71, section 1, paragraph 3, of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court;"

H. R. 213. "An act concerning taxation of State banks;"

H. R. 216. "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act relating to the duties of sheriffs and county attorneys.'"

S. 82. "An act relating to proceedings in court;"

H. R. 217. "An act for the assessment of a State tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, amounting to the sum of eight hundred ninety-nine thousand seven hundred fifty-three dollars and ten cents;"

S. 81. "An act relating to pledges;"

H. R. 210. Bill "an act to incorporate the Dixmont Mountain Dairy Association;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

No. 130, H. "Resolve authorizing the State Librarian to fur-

nish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts with the Maine reports ;”

No. 42, S. “Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts ;”

No. 182, H. “Resolve in favor of George R. Fernald ;”

*450 * Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

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

No. 124, S. “Resolves providing for certain amendments to the Constitution of the State of Maine ;”

No. 123, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to bribery at elections ;”

No. 78, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution of Maine, relating to election of Senators by plurality vote ;”

No. 79, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to special legislation and corporations ;”

No. 86, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to taxation ;”

No. 64, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to constitutional convention ;”

No. 88, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to abolishing land agency ;”

No. 82, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to power of Governor to pardon ;”

No. 85, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to appointment of judges of municipal and police courts ;”

No. 89, S. “Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine, relating to codification of the amended Constitution ;”

*451 And upon the question of the final passage of the * foregoing resolves, a two-thirds vote being required, the yeas and nays were ordered and taken, resulting in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 27
Nays.....none

The following Senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Atwood,	Campbell,	Cross,
Cushing,	Cutler,	Donworth,
Dyer,	Emery,	Foss,
Foster,	French,	Goold,
Hall,	Hanson,	Haskell,
Hinckley,	Hyde,	Kent,
Lord,	Morrison,	Palmer,
Prescott,	Richardson,	Rounds,
Russell,	Swasey,	Webb—27.

ABSENT.

Messrs. Corthell,	Holbrook,	Stevens,
Thurlough—4.		

So the resolves were finally passed in concurrence, and having been severally signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion by Mr. DYER,

The Senate at 5.30 P. M., adjourned.

EVENING.

Senate met according to adjournment, 7 30 o'clock.

Mr. RUSSELL, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported (No. 134, S.) "resolve on the pay roll of the Senate."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

* Papers from the House :

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Report of the Committee on Ways and Means, submitting (No. 135, H.) "resolve on the pay roll of the House," was accepted, the resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, submitting bill (H. R. 219) "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

S. 111. "An act to empower the Executive to appoint women to certain offices ;"

H. R. 215. "An act to establish the fees of officers for travel in certain cases ;"

H. R. 219. "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government ;"

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

No. 129, H. "Resolve in favor of military purposes ;"

No. 56, S. "Resolve relating to a new insane hospital ;"

No. 133, S. "Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Berwick and North Berwick ;"

No. 134, S. "Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate ;"

No. 135, H. "Resolve on the pay roll of the House ;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

A message was received from the House of Representatives, *453 by Mr. Snow of Hallowell, informing the Senate that the House has disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

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. Foster.

On motion by Mr. EMERY,

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. Emery of Hancock,

Campbell of Washington,

Cushing of Knox,

were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently came back concurred, with

Messrs. Snow of Hallowell,
Buck of Orland,
Leavitt of Eastport,
Lyman of Machias,
Tefft of Brewer,
Davis of Portland,
White of Bucksport,

joined on the part of the House.

Mr. EMERY, 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 *454 Houses forthwith through the Secretary of State.

Thereupon the Deputy Secretary of State, Hon. Alden Jackson, came in and laid before the Senate the following message from the Governor :

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
Augusta, February 24, 1875. }

To the President of the Senate :

I transmit herewith a list of the Acts and Resolves passed during the present session of the Legislature, numbering 254 Acts and 106 Resolves, which have either received my approval or have become laws without such approval.

I have no further communication to make.

(Signed)

NELSON DINGLEY, JR.

Mr. CORTHELL presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be tendered to the Messenger and Assistant Messenger, Folder and Page, for the prompt and courteous performance of their duties.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. HYDE presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to our worthy Reporter, W. E. S. Whitman, Esq., of Augusta, for the faithful manner in which he has discharged his duty in reporting the deliberations of this Senate.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. DONWORTH presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to
*455 Samuel W. Lane, Esq., Secretary of the Senate, and *Gardiner F. Dauforth, Assistant Secretary, for their prompt and faithful discharge of duty.

The resolution was unanimously adopted, the vote being by rising.

The SECRETARY responded as follows :

Mr. PRESIDENT,—My appreciation of the generous sentiment of the resolution you have adopted would be none the less keen if I accepted this renewed expression of your confidence in silent gratitude or with a simple I thank you. Anticipating this closing scene and this resolve, it occurred to me during the small hours of last night to review the work of the session, and I crave the indulgence of Senators while I review as briefly as possible the record which it has been my proud privilege to make of your doings. Some 600 different subjects have been presented for your consideration. In your deliberations you have passed 263 acts and 108 resolves. Fourteen acts and two resolves have been recalled from the Governor and one bill has been vetoed, as we learn from unofficial sources. The dairying interests have received your favorable consideration, and under the sanction of charters granted by you shall arise the sweet odors of twelve cheese factories, having an aggregate capital of \$40,500. The farmers' clubs and agricultural societies into which you have infused the life of being, will, I doubt not, atone for any loss which scientific farming may suffer from the failure of the college appropriation. You have shown that you fully appreciate the importance of caring for the hard earnings of the laboring class, and at your bidding the vaults of eleven savings institutions are waiting for these deposits. Parties presenting their claims upon the treasury have been most unfortunate, the whole sum allowed being but \$292, out of claims aggregating nearly \$16,000, manifesting on your part a due regard for the interests of the State. The wharf business has been successful and the extension of twenty-three wharves into tide waters has been authorized. The manufacturing and mining interests have received a liberal share of your attention; two granite companies, two brick companies, eight slate companies and nine manufacturing companies, attesting your willingness to

apply all proper aids in this direction. The aggregate capital stock of corporations, owing their birthright to you, amounts to \$4,525,000. You have granted three railroad charters, with authorized capital of \$950,000, and the right to issue bonds to the amount of about \$1,150,000. Your land grants number 4,200 acres, more or less, as lawyers say in doubtful cases of description.

The State institutions have received your generous attention, and it is unnecessary to enumerate the particular cases, they are fresh in your minds. The visitations to these institutions have cost the State \$650.57. One hundred and twelve bills have been presented or reported in the Senate, and two hundred and seventeen in the House. One hundred and thirty-five resolves have originated in this legislature, many of which have been sent to early graves.

You have refrained to a great degree, from tampering with the public laws, for which the public will doubtless be grateful. What their verdict will be upon your proposed amendments to the Constitution, I will not presume to predict. You have imposed a tax of \$899,753.10 upon the people of the State. You have appropriated the people's money to the amount of \$1,621,487.19.—

Mr. President, I had gone thus far in my review of your doings, when methought I heard a well known and a friendly voice make the, to me, always welcome motion :

“ Mr. President, I move that the further reading of the bill in detail be dispensed with.”

The interruption brought me to realize that I had fallen asleep over my prosy work, and the motion was but the phantom of the mind, but I accepted the timely monition as a fitting period to my speech, and I doubt not the motion would ere this have been made, had not that generous forbearance which has ever characterized your conduct towards your Secretary prevented it. I thank you for your indulgence, and could such a consummation of hopes be possible, I could earnestly pray that the next Senate of Maine might be an unbroken reassembling of this.

Mr. HASKELL then rose and said :

Mr. SECRETARY,—A few short weeks ago, we assembled in this Chamber, many for the first time, nearly all strangers. This evening we separate, some of us forever, but all as friends. Aside from the pleasure derived from honest endeavors to perform

our duties in such a manner as shall redound to the best interests of the State and the welfare and happiness of its people, will be the pleasant recollections of the many associations and friendships here formed, sincere and lasting; like those of youth, terminating only with life itself.

As the session is about closing, and our work as legislators finished, the question very naturally presents itself as to what the verdict of our constituents may be upon the result of our labors. It is not for me to anticipate the answer to that question; but I trust we may have done the State some service, and earned the right to expect lenient judgment for the errors which we may have committed, and a cordial acknowledgement of our desires and endeavors to meet their approval.

Before bidding you all a kind farewell, I desire to express my sincere thanks to the officers of the Senate, and to each and every Senator, for the uniform courtesy and kindness continually extended me during the session now about to close.

And now, Mr. Secretary, in conclusion allow me to present the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Senate are due,
*456 and are hereby tendered, to the Hon. Edmund F. Webb *for the able, faithful and impartial manner with which he has discharged the duties of presiding officer of the Senate during the present session.

The Secretary stated the question to be upon the passage of the resolution.

On motion by Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That when the vote is taken upon the passage of the foregoing resolve it be taken by rising.

Mr. FOSTER then said:

Mr. SECRETARY,—Having participated in the deliberations of this honorable body, and entertaining alike a mingled feeling of pleasure and regret that the time for our separation has arrived, I heartily concur in the sentiments expressed in this resolution. The hour of adjournment is marked upon the dial, and we are soon to separate. It will be among the pleasantest recollections of my life, that since we have assembled here no ill feeling has been engendered—no want of courtesy been manifested. To the

President, who has with equal justice and impartiality presided over this body, I desire to express my gratitude; and to the Senators, one and all, for the courtesy I have received at their hands during the session so pleasantly passed, do I desire to express my thanks. I trust that the difference of opinion which has prevailed in our deliberations may not be without benefit to the State; and it would be surprising if a body of men, selected from the different sections of the State, and from every calling and avocation in life, should individually entertain similar views upon the many subjects that necessarily come before them in the Senate of this State. As the rolling years shall bear us from these scenes, may the memories that will cluster around these halls ever be as sweet and pleasant as have been our associating here. Senators, farewell.

* Mr. FOSS said:

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Mr. SECRETARY,—The sentiments of the resolution offered by the honorable Senator from Cumberland have my hearty concurrence, and before taking my leave of the honorable gentlemen with whom I have been so pleasantly associated, I will add only a word to what has already been said.

I believe we can go our several ways with the full consciousness that the matters which have been presented here for our consideration have been openly, fairly and carefully treated, and that the record will be an honor to this Senate.

Some of us formed acquaintance at a former session, others at this, and all of the most pleasant character; and now as we are about to say the parting word, and return to our homes and our business, may we go with renewed strength to engage in the struggles of life. I would extend to you, Mr. Secretary, to the President, and to all the other officers and members of this board, my thanks for your uniform courtesy and kindness. Heaven's blessing abide with you all.

Mr. HALL said:

Mr. SECRETARY,—I ask the indulgence of the Senate that I may say a word. We have had under consideration a multiplicity of acts and resolves. We have deliberated upon them, and I hope have made such disposition of the same as will meet with the approbation of the people of this State.

In extending the parting hand, it gives me great pleasure to say

that the acquaintances I have formed here have been pleasant and agreeable; and I tender to the officers of the Senate, one and all, and to every Senator in this chamber, my grateful acknowledgement for the courtesy extended to me during this session.

Mr. PALMER said :

*458 * Mr. SECRETARY,—I arise to say but a word before the close of this session. While the commands of business and the attractions of home, urge me, as they do all of you, away, it is with a feeling of sadness that I leave the associations which I have formed in the course of the two winters past. They will be in the future, I am sure, among the happiest of my recollections.

Allow me to say to you, Mr. President, that I return my sincere thanks for the kindness you have at all times extended to me. I would also return my thanks to each and every Senator for the uniform kindness you have each of you extended to me during the session now about to close; and I assure you that you now and hereafter will have my best wishes for your happiness and welfare.

Mr. LORD said :

Mr. SECRETARY,—You will bear me witness that I have not trespassed upon your time during the session, and that I am not in any sense a talking man; but I should do injustice to my feelings if I should leave the noble men with whom I have been associated in this chamber, without expressing here my profound respect for them. However I may have differed with some of them in regard to the measures upon which we have been called upon to pass, that very difference of opinion has served to enhance my regard for them; for it has seemed to me that not a matter has been before us this session upon which honorable Senators have spoken or acted otherwise than from their honest conviction. Not a man, in my judgment, has been swerved a hair from the line of duty by what is denominated "policy." I shall have pleasant memories of this Senate individually and collectively, while life remains, and from the bottom of my heart of hearts, I wish you well.

*459 * Mr. EMERY said :

Mr. SECRETARY,—I shall probably never again occupy a seat at this board, and I cannot now go out from this chamber for the last time without a word of farewell. Whatever may be thought of the work we have done for the State, we have done a

good work for ourselves. We are all better, wiser, and larger-hearted for the weeks we have spent here. We have learned tolerance for the opinions of others, and caution as to our own opinions. I have been often in the minority, but I have felt that no decision of the majority of such Senators as I see before me can be very wrong.

Our association together here has been productive of one good for our State. These annual sessions cause us to learn more of its different sections. Aroostook and York come together, and Washington and Oxford learn to appreciate each the virtues of the other. Thus our State is becoming more and more united and homogeneous.

This session has been peculiarly pleasant. Debates have been forcible. Discussions have been frequent and earnest. But there have been no personal resentments, and now to-night I am sure a sentiment of personal friendship exists among all. Another thing has impressed me—the evident sincerity of every Senator. I have heard no one's perfect integrity impugned. Each Senator is credited with voting entirely from principle. May such a reputation long continue to the Senate of Maine.

Our thanks are due the President. He has ruled firmly but gently. Every one has had his full parliamentary rights. While thanking him as President, I desire to express my personal esteem for the man. Many of these Senators I may never see again. As I go from this place to return to the private station, I confess to a feeling of sadness, not that I am no longer to be in public position, but that *I must leave so many and so good friends. *460 I am grateful for the consideration that has been shown me.

This session will be among the pleasantest memories of my life. I dare hope that I may have a little corner in the memory of all my associates here. Mr. Secretary, to you and our President, and all these good Senators, I tender my final farewell.

Mr. CUTLER said:

Mr. SECRETARY,—I should do injustice to myself to remain silent at this time, and not join in a hearty approval of the resolutions offered by the honorable Senators from Cumberland and Aroostook. And for myself personally, I thank the President and yourself, and every officer of the Senate, for their forbearance, courtesy and generosity which has during this session about to close been constantly extended to me as a member of this board.

To the honorable Senators around this board I also tender most hearty acknowledgments for the unremitting kindness and courtesy with which they have regarded me. When I came here it was with a determination to so deport myself that I might win your approbation, as well as that of the people who sent me here, and if I have succeeded so far as to have some quiet nook in your hearts where to be hidden, and at times stir within your bosoms no unpleasant memories, then I am content. I shall bear with me to my home, and through the remainder of my life, your images engraved on my heart as those of friends—to remember and cherish whom will be one of the purest pleasures I can possibly enjoy. I would say more, but in this hour of separation the deep emotions stirring within precludes utterance in words, and the eye alone must give expression to what the tongue cannot utter, which the heart refuses to conceal. Senators, farewell.

*461 * Mr. STEVENS said :

Mr. SECRETARY,—I ask the indulgence of the Senate a moment that I may express my hearty agreement to the sentiment of the resolution presented by the Senator from Cumberland.

Coming into the Senate as I did, without legislative experience, I have of necessity been the recipient of many favors at the hands of the presiding officer. His generous courtesy will be held in grateful remembrance. And to you, Mr. Secretary, who have always received me so kindly when so often seeking for information that I could obtain from no other source, and to all the officers of the Senate, whose cheerful attention to the wants and comforts of the members has contributed so much to make the session pleasant, I tender my sincere thanks.

Mr. Secretary, I have no words to express the high esteem I entertain for every member of this board. The kind consideration I have received from all has engraven on my heart sentiments of regard that time will not erase. I hope in some small degree to be kindly remembered by all.

Mr. THURLOUGH said :

Mr. SECRETARY,—Permit me also to express my thanks to the President and every officer of this Senate for the uniform kindness and courtesy shown to me while I have endeavored in a quiet manner by my vote to honestly represent my constituents. The associations with the members at this board have been such as to

endear them to my heart, and now as we are about closing our labors, I wish each member a pleasant and safe journey to his home and loved ones, a long life of usefulness attended by the choicest blessings heaven can bestow, and should any of you stray into my section of the State, I should be pleased to have *you call upon me, and I assure you my heart and *462 doors will be open to receive you.

The resolution was unanimously adopted, the vote being by rising.

Mr. WEBB of Kennebec, President of the Senate, responded as follows :

SENATORS,—The business of the session is completed, and the time fixed by the concurrent votes of the two branches of the Legislature for their adjournment has arrived. I desire to express to you my gratitude for the many favors and courtesies I have received at your hands. And thanking you, Senators, for the approval of my official course which you have placed upon the records, and wishing you all a happy reunion with family and friends in the charmed circle of home, I now declare the Fifty-Fourth Senate of Maine adjourned without day.

The PRESIDENT declared the Senate adjourned *sine die* at 20 minutes past 10 o'clock, P. M.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

PUBLIC LAWS.

- An act to amend section seven, chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on vessels.
- to regulate the inspection of fish.
- to amend, so far as the county of Cumberland is concerned, chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to the jail system of the state.
- to amend chapter one hundred and thirteen of the revised statutes, relating to relief of poor debtors.
- for the protection of owners of stolen bonds.
- to amend section twelve of chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to highway surveyors.
- relating to the settlement of persons connected with the national home for disabled volunteer soldiers at Togus, in the county of Kennebec.
- to amend chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to school money.
- additional to "an act in relation to contested elections."
- to amend section one hundred and forty-eight of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to abatement of taxes.
- additional to chapter two hundred and forty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to fishing.
- for the protection of moose.
- amending an act entitled "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the State of Maine."

An act to amend section three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the abolishing of school districts.

conferring additional powers upon the supreme judicial court, relating to railroads.

* An act to enforce the collection of taxes upon railroad *464 companies.

relating to fencing railroads.

to provide for the appointment of deputy town treasurers. additional to chapter two hundred and fifty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to taxation of railroad companies.

relating to mutual fire insurance companies.

to amend section four of chapter two hundred and three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

to amend section three of chapter one hundred and ninety-eight of public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to disclosures of poor debtors.

additional to chapter twenty-nine of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, concerning the militia.

to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine.

to amend chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to ways.

to repeal chapter three hundred and fourteen of the resolves of eighteen hundred seventy-four, and to revive all acts and parts of acts repealed by said chapter three hundred and fourteen of the resolves of eighteen hundred seventy-four, and to amend chapter seventy-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

to amend section nine of chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to the powers and duties of prison and jail inspectors.

giving to the municipal and police courts jurisdiction in matters of liens upon personal property in certain cases.

to amend the twenty-second section of the fifty-ninth chapter of the revised statutes.

for the better protection of life and property.

fixing the compensation of councillors.

concerning judicial proceedings.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, entitled "an act in aid of free high schools."

to repeal sections eighty-one and eighty-two of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, in relation to teachers' institutes.

*465 * An act relating to directors of railroads.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-four, section twenty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals.

relating to the meeting of the grand jury of Oxford county, at the December term of the supreme judicial court.

to amend the forty-eighth section of the eighty-second chapter of the revised statutes, in relation to demands filed in set off.

explanatory of and additional to section sixty-five of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions.

to amend section four of chapter fifty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

in relation to paupers.

additional to chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors.

regulating costs in certain cases.

to amend section sixty-two, chapter forty-nine, of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies.

to facilitate the business of the land office, and the disposal of the public lands.

explanatory of and additional to chapter two hundred and fifty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to taxation of insurance companies.

relating to savings banks.

renewing a portion of the public debt, discontinuing the sinking fund of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and abolishing the office of commissioner of the sinking fund.

repealing chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to bounty on wolves and bears.

An act concerning taxation of state banks.

to amend chapter seventy-one, section one, paragraph three, of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court.

relating to proceedings in court.

relating to pledges.

to amend an act entitled "an act relating to the duties of *sheriffs and county attorneys." *466

in relation to the execution of sentence in capital cases.

to empower the executive to appoint women to certain offices.

to establish the fees of officers for travel in certain cases.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act to amend the charter of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

to revive the charter of the Ticonic Bank of Waterville for certain purposes.

to incorporate the Stedman Railroad Company.

to incorporate St. Omar Commandery of Knights Templar.

authorizing the Cumberland Bone Company to build a wharf into tide waters, in the town of Boothbay.

authorizing A. Martin and Sons to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Rockport harbor.

to authorize Joseph Church and Company to extend a wharf into tide water, in the town of Bristol.

to make valid the assessment of taxes in the town of Verona, for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

An act to incorporate the Trescott Cheese Association.

to make valid certain doings of the assessors and collector of the town of Naples.

to revive and amend "an act to incorporate the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society," and an act additional thereto.

to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company.

to incorporate the Trustees of the Lincoln Masonic Fraternity.

An act authorizing Augustus C. Savage and others to construct weirs between Mouft Desert and Bear Island.

authorizing George C. Lyman, Newton C. White and associates to build a wharf in tide waters at Sullivan.

*467 *An act to incorporate the Elliottsville Star Slate Company.

An act to incorporate the Centre Livermore Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Waterville Slate Company.

additional to an act entitled "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

to authorize Charles Deering to extend his wharf at Bar harbor, East Eden.

additional to an act approved March twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, entitled "an act to confer certain powers on the city of Portland."

to incorporate the Hubbard and Blake Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Steadman Slate Company.

to incorporate the Morrill Cheese and Butter Factory Co.

to incorporate the Winterport Cheese and Butter Factory.

to amend chapter two hundred and nine, section four, of the special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, in relation to the Maine Poultry Association.

to incorporate the Maine State Association for Protection of Fish.

to incorporate the East Machias Camp-Meeting Association.

to incorporate the Calais Trotting Park Association.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association," approved March twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy.

additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis.

to incorporate the Cranberry Isles Mutual Fish Company.

to repeal chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, entitled "an act to authorize the town of Gouldsboro' to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town."

to authorize the inhabitants of Steuben to build and maintain a wharf at the north side of the bay.

An act authorizing Nathan Cleaves and Henry B. Cleaves to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay.

* An act to authorize Benjamin Ryder to extend a wharf into tide water in the town of Islesboro'. *468

to incorporate the Dexter Park Association.

to authorize Albert S. Eells to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor.

authorizing Edmund N. Goodwin to build a wharf in York river.

to authorize Charles B. Paine and others to extend a wharf into tide waters at Eastport.

to authorize Luther Maddocks to extend a wharf in Boothbay harbor.

to incorporate the Bowdoin Paper Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Petit Menan Cranberry Company.

to incorporate the Bluehill Granite Company.

to incorporate the Woodbine Cemetery Association.

relating to the Maine Central Institute.

authorizing T. L. Roberts to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Eden.

to extend the time for the location and completion of the Cumberland County Central Railroad.

to incorporate the town of Talmadge, in the county of Washington.

for the extension of the wharf of Dorcas C. N. Webster in Eastport.

to incorporate the North Wales Slate Company.

to incorporate the Prospect and Stockton Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Menhaden Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Carmel, Hermon, Hampden and North Newburgh Cheese Factory.

to incorporate the Unity Park Association.

to incorporate the Bangor and Ellsworth Steamboat Company.

to incorporate the town of Medway.

*An act to incorporate the Maine State Pure Blood Jersey Stock Association. *469

An act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Aroostook county.

authorizing the Continental Mills to reduce the par value of its stock, and to issue new shares.

to make valid the doings of the town of Amity.

authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to vote aid towards building a railroad from tide waters within said town, to connect with any shore line railroad.

to incorporate the Arundel Mutual Relief Society.

to incorporate the National Temperance Camp-Meeting Association.

to protect the rights of the owners of Petit Menan point, in the town of Steuben.

to legalize the doings of School District number four in the town of Lamoine.

to authorize Mellen Gilmore and Luther V. Gilmore to build wharves and piers.

to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Boat Company.

to incorporate the Edgecomb and New Castle Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

to incorporate the Portland Safe Deposit Company.

to incorporate the Saccarappa Savings Bank.

act additional to an act entitled "an act to supply the city of Bangor with pure water."

to incorporate the Bristol Agricultural Society and Farmers' Club.

to incorporate the New York and Maine Granite Company.

to incorporate the Cumberland Farmers' Club.

to empower the town of Brewer to establish wharf limits.

to authorize H. E. and W. G. Alden to extend wharves in Camden harbor.

to incorporate the Winterport Savings Bank.

*470 * An act authorizing Michael Hurley to extend his wharf at the west end of Union river bridge, in Ellsworth, into the waters of Union river.

An act to authorize William F. Desisles and others to build a wharf in tide waters at Lamoine.

to incorporate the South Pittsfield and Burnham Cheese Factory Company.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

- An act to incorporate the York Brick Company.
relating to the schools in the city of Portland.
to amend "an act authorizing George Dyer to establish a ferry."
to authorize Andrew J. Whiting and Obadiah Allen to extend a wharf into tide waters at Somes' sound, Mount Desert.
to legalize the acts of Joshua A. Lamb as justice of the peace.
to authorize W. R. Sawyer to hold, maintain and extend a wharf into tide water in the town of Millbridge.
to legalize the doings of Louis M. Partridge of Stockton.
to incorporate the Calais Red Granite Company.
to incorporate the Calais Publishing Company.
to incorporate the Wytovitlock Lake Dam Company.
to incorporate the People's Savings Bank of Lewiston.
to authorize the Auburn Aqueduct Company to take water from Wilson pond, in Auburn, for domestic purposes and for extinguishing fires.
to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Mutual Relief Association of Portland.
to increase the capital stock of the Portland Stone Ware Company.
to incorporate the Bald Hill Brick and Manufacturing Company.
to incorporate the North Windham Manufacturing Company.
- * An act to incorporate the Maine Boot and Shoe Manufac- *471
turing Company.
to authorize the Cobb Lime Company to increase its capital stock.
to incorporate Mystic Tie Lodge Knights of Pythias, of Saco.
to incorporate the Union Slate Company.
to incorporate the Little Blue Slate Company.
to incorporate the Wood and Bishop Foundry Company.
to incorporate the Monson Pearl Slate Company.
to incorporate the Cedar Brook and Swift Cambridge River Improvement Company.

An act to amend "an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water."

to incorporate the Waldoboro' Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Topsham and Brunswick Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank.

repealing "an act to prevent the taking of pickerel in Three-Mile pond in the towns of Vassalboro', China and Windsor."

to legalize the doings of school district number three, in the town of St. George, in the county of Knox.

to incorporate the Forest Slate Company.

in addition to chapter six hundred and sixty-five of the private acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled "an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company."

to extend the time for the location and completion of the Georges Valley Railroad.

for the protection of deer on the island of Mt. Desert.

to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to unite a town building with a soldiers' monument.

to incorporate the Presque Isle and St. John River Railroad Company.

to increase the capital stock of the Dirigo Slate Quarry Company and authorize the construction of a tramway railroad.

*472 amendatory of an act entitled "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad *into Aroostook county," approved February eighth, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

to incorporate the Mammoth Silver Mining Company.

to incorporate the Portland and Harpswell Steamboat Company.

to incorporate the Washington County Masonic Relief Association.

to extend the time for the location and completion of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad.

to incorporate the Cumberland Fish Company.

additional to "an act establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company."

to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank of Auburn.

- An act to incorporate the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England.
- to incorporate the Camden Marine Railway Company.
- to legalize the doings of L. M. Partridge, as justice of the peace and quorum.
- to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Manufacturing Company.
- to incorporate the Livermore Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
- to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company, in the town of Thorndike.
- to enable Nelson Mullin and Andrew L. Kent to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at North Haven.
- to incorporate the Canaan Masonic Hall Association.
- to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn.
- to authorize William Conary to extend and maintain a wharf into tide waters at Bluehill.
- to incorporate the Wayne Cheese Factory Company.
- relating to the city schools of Bangor.
- to incorporate the Olamon Dam Company.
- to amend "an act abating a portion of the State tax
* of Waterville, for the year eighteen hundred *473
and seventy-three, and assessing the same upon
the town of West Waterville."
- to incorporate the Trustees of the Saint Augustine School for Boys at Topsham.
- to incorporate the Canton and Dixfield Cheese Factory.
- to incorporate the Lewiston and Augusta Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the North Livermore Cheese Company.
- to incorporate the Andover Dairy Association.
- amendatory of and additional to an act entitled "an act
additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and
Ogdensburg Railroad Company."
- to incorporate the Pittsfield Savings Bank.
- to incorporate the Brownville and Sebec Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Limerick Savings Bank.
- to incorporate the Maine Mining Company of Portland.

An act to make valid the organization of the Brown Slate Quarry Company, and to change the number of shares and par value thereof, in the stock of said company.

An act to prevent the taking of trout from Howard's pond, in the town of Hanover.

to prevent fishing in Otter pond in the town of Bridgton. for the protection and propagation of eels in Damariscotta river and pond.

to incorporate the People's Loan and Building Association.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Magalloway River Dam Company," approved March fifteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

to make valid the annual March meeting of the town of Hermon, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

to incorporate the Burleigh Lumber Manufacturing Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Railroad Company."

*474 *An act to annex part of the town of Berwick to the town of North Berwick, in the county of York.

An act to incorporate the Cumberland Centre Farmers' Club.

to incorporate the Corinth Savings Bank.

to authorize Judson G. Archer to drain and flow Blunt's pond in the town of Lamoine, and to stock the same with trout.

to legalize the doings of the town of Appleton, in the county of Knox.

to allow the town of Milo to regulate the width of wheel rims.

to authorize the town of Bittery to build a free bridge over tide waters.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Master, Wardens and Members of Key Stone Lodge," approved February twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

for supplying the city of Bangor with water.

to incorporate the Rockport Ice Company.

to authorize certain towns in Hancock county to require the use of wide rimmed wheels in certain cases.

An act to renew the charters of the Eastern Bank and the Mercantile Bank, both of Bangor, and the North Bank of Rockland.

to make free the Livermore Falls toll bridge.

to authorize the town of Lyndon to loan its credit in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad.

to make valid the doings of the Selectmen of the town of Lyndon.

to supply the inhabitants of Brewer with water.

authorizing the inhabitants of Hurricane island, in the town of Vinalhaven, to meet on said island for the choice of certain officers, and the determination of certain questions.

to authorize the county commissioners of Aroostook *county to organize the Allagash plantation. *475

to make valid the doings of school district number two, in the town of Monroe.

increasing the compensation of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county.

for the protection of fish in Chase's pond.

for the relief of Joseph B. Clark and Edward R. Clark.

to authorize the Lockwood Cotton Mills of Waterville, to change the name of its corporation.

to change the name of the First North Yarmouth Aqueduct Company.

to incorporate the Maine Unitarian Association.

to amend the charter of the Norway Village Corporation.

to amend "an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Auburn," approved February seventeen, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

to incorporate the Waldoboro' Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Oxford Manufacturing Company.

to change the name of Franklin McLoon.

to change the name of Helen M. Merrill.

to change the name of Frances Etta Felker.

to incorporate the town of Woodville.

to provide for deficiency in the appropriations for the expenditures of government for the year eighteen hundred seventy-four.

An act in relation to the Border Publishing Company.
to incorporate the Dixmont Mountain Dairy Association.
for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand
eight hundred and seventy-five, amounting to the sum
of eight hundred ninety-nine thousand seven hundred
fifty-three dollars and ten cents.
to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

* TITLES OF RESOLVES

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PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1875.

Resolve providing for a constitutional commission.

to authorize the county of Knox to procure a loan.

in relation to printing the reports of the insurance commissioner.

to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan.

in favor of Bant Hanson.

in favor of John Tucker.

in favor of schools in Woodland and Perham plantations.

in favor of the joint standing committee on education.

for the purchase of the Maine state year book and legislative manual.

in favor of the Maine centennial board.

in favor of Charles W. and Mary A. Tibbetts.

in favor of John Dana.

in favor of Mitchell Paul Susup.

apportioning to the town of Isle au Haut, in Hancock county, its proportional part of the state valuation of the town of Deer Isle, in said county.

in favor of the county of Aroostook.

in favor of Thomas Ball and William P. Ball.

in favor of Ether W. Sprague.

in favor of the town of Kingsbury.

in favor of the county of Knox.

in favor of Crystal plantation in county of Aroostook.

making appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

in aid of repairing the road from Abbot to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis.

in favor of the military and naval asylum at Bath.

* Resolve in favor of the sub-committee of agriculture, appointed to visit the state college of agriculture. *477

- Resolve granting a pension to Charles W. Owen.
in favor of Sarah J. Vance.
in favor of John Sterling.
in favor of roads passing through the Indian township in Washington county.
in favor of the joint standing committee on the state prison.
in favor of Richard D. Porter.
in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.
in favor of the joint standing committee on agriculture.
in favor of John A. Rowe.
in favor of Eli Goss, of Portland.
in favor of Shepard I. Higgins.
laying a tax on the several counties of the state.
in favor of Thomas Loveley, of Mapleton plantation.
giving the Maine historical society the annual legislative documents.
authorizing a temporary loan.
in favor of Fernando F. Smith and Lewis C. Smith.
for the relief of Francis A. Reed and Edwin A. Reed, and the estate of William R. Hersey.
relating to the purchase by the state of the Maine reports.
in aid of completing the road leading from Limestone to Hamlin.
in favor of Amos P. Cook.
providing for the payment of the members of the constitutional commission.
in favor of Sumner P. Bradford.
in favor of Lewis C. Coffin.
in favor of Moose river bridge.
relating to public documents.
providing for the payment of the expenses of the committee on military affairs.
- *478 *Resolve in favor of the joint standing committee on reform school.
- Resolve in favor of George H. Freeman of Presque Isle.
in favor of David Doe of Lyndon.
in favor of Hugh Jamieson.
in favor of Otis J. Witham.
in favor of compiling and printing school laws.

- Resolve in favor of the Bangor children's home.
in favor of the female orphan asylum, Portland.
in favor of Andrew Wiren, of Woodland plantation.
in favor of A. F. Owens.
in favor of Thomas H. Getchell and Son.
in favor of the South Hay-stack road in Castle Hill, in
Aroostook county.
appropriating two thousand dollars on Mattawamkeag
bridge, in Mattawamkeag, in county of Penobscot.
in favor of Sabine F. Berry and Thaddeus C. S. Berry.
in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash.
in favor of David L. Kelly.
in favor of Andrew R. Higgins.
relating to the advertising of the public laws.
in favor of Silver Ridge plantation.
in favor of Joseph L. Young.
in favor of Bowdoin R. Blackstone.
in favor of the town of Shirley. /
in favor of the state reform school.
in favor of the eastern state normal school at Castine.
in favor of the western state normal school at Farmington.
in favor of the town of Island Falls.
in favor of the Maine industrial school for girls.
in favor of the town of Roxbury.
in favor of the Maine general hospital at Portland.
in favor of the Maine insane hospital.
providing for the exchange of certain documents.
- * Resolve in favor of the state prison. *479
providing for the payment of the expenses of Mar-
tin H. Kiff.
in aid of bridge over Ouilette stream.
in favor of the secretary of the senate.
in favor of Thomas Mathison.
in favor of Avis W. Young.
making appropriation for the propagation of fish.
concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to election of senators by plurality vote.
concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to special legislation and corporations.

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- Resolve concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to taxation.
- concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to appointment of judges of municipal and
police courts.
- concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to power of governor to pardon.
- concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to abolishing land agency.
- concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine,
relating to condification of amended Constitution.
- concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Marine,
relating to Constitutional Conventions.
- proposing an amendment of the Constitution of the State
of Maine, concerning bribery at elections.
- providing for certain amendments of the Constitution of
the State of Maine.
- authorizing the state librarian to furnish the state college
of agriculture and the mechanic arts with the Maine
reports.
- in favor of the Maine state college of agriculture and the
mechanic arts.
- in favor of George R. Fernald.
- relating to a new insane hospital.
- *480 *Resolve in favor of military purposes.
- Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Berwick and
North Berwick, in the county of York.
- on the pay roll of the House.
- on the pay roll of the senate.

SENATE ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES.

After the reading of the journal, the following shall be the order of business :

1st. House papers not acted on ; and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve.

2d. Messages and documents from the executive and heads of departments.

3d. The reception and reference of petitions, and such other papers, except bills and resolves, as require action by a committee.

4th. The report of committees, and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve. Bills, resolves, &c., offered by senators, and their reference or first reading.

5th. Bills and resolves reported by the committee on bills in the second reading.

6th. Bills on their passage to be enacted, and resolves on their final passage.

When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but—

1st. To adjourn ;

2d. To lay on the table ;

3d. To postpone to a day certain ;

4th. To commit ;

5th. To amend ;

6th. To postpone indefinitely ;

Which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

Questions of concurrence or otherwise with the House shall have precedence of each other in the following order :

1st. To recede ;

2d. To concur ;

3d. To insist ;

4th. To adhere.

A motion to adjourn shall always be first in order, and shall be decided without debate.

The name of the senator presenting petitions, memorials and remonstrances should be endorsed on the back thereof, *near the bottom*, with the place of his residence.

The senator presenting an *order* should put his name thereto on the inside, at the bottom of the page, on the left, with the place of his residence.

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RULES.

1. The President shall take the chair at the time to which the senate stands adjourned; but in case of his absence at such time, the secretary shall preside until a president *pro tempore* be chosen.

2. At the first session of each day, on the appearance of a quorum, the journal of the preceding day shall be read; and the President shall ascertain whether a quorum is present before such reading.

3. When the President speaks he shall address the senate; when a senator speaks he shall stand in his place and address the President.

4. The President, when he speaks to any member of the senate, and the members when referring to each other in debate, shall use in their addresses the title of *senator*, and by way of distinction name the county in which he resides.

5. The President shall have the right to name a senator to perform the duties of the chair during his absence; but the substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

6. The President shall rise to put a question, and shall declare all votes; but if any senator doubt the vote, all those voting in the affirmative, when called upon by the President, shall rise and stand until they are counted, and also those in the negative, in like manner, to make the vote certain.

7. The President shall consider a motion to adjourn as always first in order, and it shall be decided without debate.

8. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to reconsider, to lay on the table, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

9. A motion shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the President or any senator, and shall then be deemed to be in possession of the senate, to be disposed of by the senate; but the mover may withdraw it at any time before a decision, or any amendment be made to it.

10. No senator shall address the senate until recognized by the President, nor more than once to the exclusion of any other senator, without leave of the senate, if objection is made, unless he be the mover of the matter under debate, and not then more than three times without leave.

11. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment; nor shall an amendment proposing to ingraft a general provision of law upon a private bill, be in order; nor any amendment beyond the second degree.

12. An amendment proposed may be amended before it is adopted, but not afterwards, unless the vote adopting it be first reconsidered, and no senator shall be competent to move any reconsideration unless he voted with the majority and upon the same or a succeeding day; and a motion to reconsider any vote shall not be laid upon the table unless a time shall be specially assigned for its consideration.

13. A motion to reconsider shall take precedence of all other questions except a motion to adjourn; but if made while another question is pending, it shall not be put until the other question is disposed of, but simply entered.

14. Questions of order shall be decided by the President without debate; but if an appeal is taken, the same may be debated like other questions, and the decision thereon shall be entered upon the journal.

15. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member.

16. In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

17. Every paper shall be once read at the table, before any senator shall be obliged to vote on it, but when the reading of a paper is called for, that has been before read to the senate, if any senator object, the question shall be determined by the senate.

18. All bills and resolves in the second reading shall be com-

mitted to the committee on bills in the second reading, to be by them examined, corrected and so reported to the senate.

19. Upon the second reading of a bill or resolve, after the same shall be read through, and before the question is put on its passage, it shall be read and considered by paragraphs, at the request of any member of the senate; and no bill or resolve shall have a second reading, unless a time (not less than one hour after the first reading) be assigned therefor.

20. No bill or resolve shall pass to be engrossed, without being twice read; and all bills and resolves, immediately after the same shall have been engrossed, shall be committed to the committee on engrossed bills whose duty shall be to examine the same, and to see that the same have been truly engrossed; and before any bill shall pass to be enacted, or any resolve be finally passed, it shall be reported by the committee for the examination of engrossed bills, to be truly and strictly engrossed, and the title thereof be read by the President.

21. No resolve of any kind, or order making any grant of money, lands, or other public property, shall be passed without being read on two several days; the time for the second reading shall be assigned by the senate.

22. After the reading of the journal, the following shall be the order of business:

1st, House papers not acted on; and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve.

2d, Messages and documents from the executive and heads of departments.

3d, The reception and reference of petitions and such other papers, except bills and resolves, as require action by a committee.

4th, Reports of committees, and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve. Bills, resolves, etc., offered by senators, and their reference or first reading.

5th, Bills and resolves reported by the committee on bills in the second reading.

6th, Bills on their passage to be enacted, and resolves on their final passage.

It shall be the duty of the secretary to number bills and resolves in the order in which they shall be reported by said committee, and enter them upon the calendar in such order. They shall be

taken up for their second reading and passage to be engrossed, or other disposition, in the order in which they stand upon the calendar. When a bill or resolve, after it is put on the calendar, is laid on the table, and no time assigned for its further consideration, it shall go to the foot of the calendar as it then stands. Papers from the house, concerning which there has been a disagreeing vote of the two houses, shall be disposed of before commencing with the calendar. This rule shall not apply to or interfere with motions to reconsider, or special assignments or other privileged questions.

23. When the yeas and nays are taken, the names of the senators shall be called alphabetically.

24. After a question is put to vote, no senator shall speak on it. Every senator who may be present shall vote unless excused by the senate, or excluded by interest.

25. The unfinished business, in which the senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment, shall have preference in the orders of the day.

26. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be sent to the house without notice thereof being given to the senate by the President.

27. Every member who shall present a petition, shall place his name thereon and a brief statement of its subject.

28. All confidential communications made by the governor to the senate, shall be by the members thereof kept inviolably sacred until the senate shall by their resolution take off the injunction of secrecy.

29. No rule shall be dispensed with, except by the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

30. Any member of the senate may exchange seats on consulting the President and obtaining his permission.

31. No member shall absent himself from the senate without leave, unless there be a quorum left present.

32. All committees shall be nominated by the President (unless when it may be determined that the election shall be by ballot,) and appointed by the senate.

33. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, viz :

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE.

On bills in the second reading.

On engrossed bills.

To consist of twelve members each. Any one of the first, and any two of the second, shall constitute a quorum.

34. No member of the senate shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the legislature.

35. All messages from the senate to the house, and to the governor, or governor and council, shall be carried by the secretary, unless the senate shall direct some other mode of transmission, and all papers shall be transmitted to the governor and council and the house by the secretary or his assistant.

36. The senate may at any time, upon motion, by a vote of a majority of the members present, resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering any subject named in the motion; and a chairman shall be appointed by the President. If a message is announced while the senate is in such committee, the President shall resume the chair for the purpose of receiving it; immediately after which the committee shall proceed, until dissolved in the usual manner.

37. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, and Cushing's Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies, shall govern the senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules of the senate, or the joint rules of the two houses.

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JOINT RULES.

1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, viz :

On the judiciary.
On legal affairs,
On financial affairs,
On federal relations,
On education,
On railroads,
On commerce,
On mercantile affairs and insurance,
On banks and banking,
On manufactures,
On agriculture,
On military affairs,
On interior waters,
On state lands and state roads,
On ways and bridges,
On fisheries,
On counties,
On towns,
On indian affairs,
On claims,
On pensions,
On insane hospital,
On reform school,
On state prison,
On public buildings,
On library.

And each of said committee shall consist of three on the part of the senate, and seven on the part of the house, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

2. Joint select committees shall consist of three on the part of the senate, and seven on the part of the house, unless the order creating the same shall provide a different number.

3. Whenever a select committee shall be appointed by either house, and be joined by the other, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the senate, or the clerk of the house, as the case may be,

to transmit, one to the other, the names of the members so joined, in order that they may be entered upon the journal of each house.

4. In presenting a report upon any matter referred to a committee, such report shall set forth the subject referred, and the substance shall also be briefly endorsed on the back of the same.

5. Orders directing inquiry in relation to an existing statute shall state the subject matter of such statute—also the chapter and section to which the inquiry is directed.

6. The titles of all bills and resolves shall state, briefly, the subject matter of the same.

7. The enacting clause of every bill shall follow its title, in these words, viz :

“ Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :”

All bills and resolves reported by any joint committee shall be written in a fair legible hand, on not less than a sheet of paper. And in all bills having more than one section, the sections shall be consecutively numbered, beginning with “ Section 1.”

Mistakes in bills and resolves, merely clerical may be corrected upon suggestion, without a motion to amend.

8. When a bill, resolve, or order, which shall have passed one house, is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same shall have passed, by the secretary or clerk as the case may be. And every bill that shall have passed both houses to be enacted, and all resolutions having the force of law, that shall have finally passed both houses, shall be presented by the secretary of the senate to the governor, for his approval ; and the secretary of the senate shall enter on the journal of the senate, the day on which such bills or resolutions are so presented to the governor.

9. All endorsements on papers, while on their passage between the two houses, shall be under the signature of the secretary of the senate, or the clerk of the house, respectively ; but after the final passage of bills and resolves, they shall be signed by the presiding officer of each house.

10. Every bill or resolve of a public nature, and every bill or resolve appropriating money, or disposing of State lands or other State property, reported in either House by a Committee, or laid upon the table by leave, shall be printed and distributed in both Houses, before having its first reading. The printed copies shall

show by what Committee the bill or resolve was reported, or by what member laid upon the table.

11. Whenever any document shall be printed for the use of the legislature, the number of copies shall be three hundred and fifty, unless otherwise ordered. The copies printed shall be delivered to the messengers of the two houses in the proportion of one-fourth for the use of the senate, and three-fourths for the use of the house, after reserving seventy-five copies for the departments and for binding.

12. No business shall be transacted in convention of the two houses, unless by unanimous consent, except such as may be agreed upon before the convention is formed.

13. Committees of conference shall consist of three members on the part of each house representing its vote, and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected; but no other action shall be had, except through another committee of conference.

14. When any measure shall be finally rejected, it shall not be revived except by reconsideration; and no measure containing the same subject matter, shall be introduced during the session, unless three days' notice is given to the house of which the mover is a member.

15. Whenever a message shall be sent from the senate to the house, it shall be announced at the door by the messenger of the senate, and shall be communicated respectfully to the chair by the bearer of it. In like manner messages from the house shall be communicated to the senate—the messenger of the house announcing them at the door of the senate.

16. No joint rule or order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present in each house.

17. No member shall be permitted to vote on any question in either branch of the legislature, nor in committee, whose private right, distinct from public interest, is immediately involved.

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RULES.

DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE SPEAKER.

1. It shall be the duty of the speaker to take the chair at the hour to which the house shall have adjourned, call the members to order, and after the appearance of a quorum, cause the journal of the preceding day to be read ;

To announce the business before the house in the order in which it is to be acted upon ;

To receive and submit to vote all motions and propositions regularly moved or that necessarily arise in the course of proceedings, and announce the result ;

To restrain the members, when engaged in debate, within the rules of order, and to enforce, on all occasions, the observance of order and decorum among the members ;

To decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house ;

To receive all messages and other communications and announce them to the house ;

To authenticate by his signature bills that have passed to be enacted and resolves finally passed ;

To name the members who are to serve on committees, unless the house otherwise direct ;

To appoint the member who shall take the chair when the house has determined to go into committee of the whole ;

And to name a member to perform his duties during his absence for a time not exceeding the remainder of the day.

2. The speaker may address the house on points of order, in preference to other members ; and may vote in all cases.

DUTIES OF THE CLERK.

3. The clerk shall keep a journal of what is done by the house ; read papers when required by the house or speaker ; call the roll alphabetically, and note the answers of members, when the house orders, or when a question is taken by yeas and nays ; notify committees of their appointment and of the business referred to them ; authenticate by his signature all the orders and proceedings of the house not authenticated by the speaker ; have charge of all the documents and papers of every kind confided to the care of the house ; bear all messages and transmit all papers from the house

to the governor or to the senate, unless the house shall otherwise order; make up the pay roll of the members; and in the absence of the speaker at the hour for meeting, shall preside until a speaker *pro tem* be chosen; and at the close of the session shall file in an orderly manner all papers and documents in possession of the house, passed upon or received during the session; and at the commencement of the next legislature, shall preside until the election of speaker; and record the doings of the house until a new clerk shall be chosen and qualified; and in the absence of the clerk, the assistant clerk shall be clerk *pro tempore*, with power to appoint an assistant.

CHAPLAINS.

4. Every morning, the house, on assembling, shall join with the chaplains in religious service.

5. The chaplains may change duties with each other or with the chaplains of the senate.

MONITORS.

6. One monitor shall be appointed by the speaker for each division of the house, whose duty shall be to see to the observance of the rules of the house, and on demand of the speaker, to return the number of votes and members in his division.

7. If any member shall transgress any of the rules of the house, and persist therein, after being notified thereof by any monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to give information thereof to the house.

COMMITTEES.

8. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, whose duty shall be to consider all subjects referred to them and report thereon:

On ways and means,
On leave of absence,
On change of names,
On bills in the third reading,
On engrossed bills,
On elections,

To consist of seven members each.

On county estimates,

To consist of one member from each county.

On business of the house,

To consist of three members.

9. In all elections by ballot, of committees of the house, the person having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman. In case two or more persons receive the same number of votes, the committee by a majority of their number shall elect a chairman.

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

10. The seat which a member draws at the commencement of the session, shall be his during the session, unless he shall have leave of the speaker to change it.

11. No member shall sit at the desk of the speaker or clerk, except by the permission of the speaker.

12. When two or more members rise at the same time, the speaker shall name the person to speak; but in all cases the member who shall rise first and address the chair, shall speak first.

13. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except to call to order, or to correct a mistake.

14. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question, without first asking leave of the house.

15. No member shall speak out of his place without leave from the chair, nor without first rising and addressing the speaker; and he shall sit down as soon as he has done speaking.

16. No member shall act as counsel for any party, before a joint committee of the legislature, or a committee of this house.

17. No member shall be permitted to stand up to the interruption of another, while any member is speaking, or pass unnecessarily between the speaker of the house and the person speaking; or stand in an alley, or sit or stand covered, during the session of the house.

18. Every member shall make out and deliver to the clerk or to the committee on pay roll, a statement of the number of miles usually travelled in going from his residence to the seat of government.

19. Every member who shall neglect to give his attendance to the house for more than six days after the session commences, shall, on making his appearance therein, be held to render the reason for such neglect; and in case the reason assigned shall be deemed by the house sufficient, such member shall be entitled to receive pay for his travel, and not otherwise; and no member shall be absent more than two days without leave of the house;

and no member shall have such leave, unless it be reported by the committee on leave of absence; and no leave of absence shall avail any member who retains his seat more than five days from the time the same was obtained.

20. Any member having obtained leave of absence, and having in his possession any papers relating to the business before the house, shall leave the same with the clerk.

21. When any member shall be guilty of a breach of any of the rules and orders of the house, and the house has determined he has so transgressed, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, unless by way of excuse for the same, until he has made satisfaction.

22. Every member who shall be in the house when a question is put, where he is not excluded by interest, shall give his vote, unless the house, for special reason, shall excuse him, and when the yeas and nays are ordered, no member shall leave his seat until the vote is declared. In all elections by the house, or in joint ballot of the two houses, no member shall leave his seat, after voting, before a return of the house is had.

23. When the galleries shall be ordered to be cleared or shut, the matter which may occasion such order, shall be kept secret by each member, until the house shall order such injunction of secrecy to be taken off.

24. No person not a member or officer of the house, except members of the senate, its secretary and assistants, the governor and council, state treasurer, secretary of state, land agent, adjutant general, judges of the supreme judicial court, chaplains of the senate, and reporters of the proceedings and debates of the house, shall be admitted within the representatives' hall unless invited by some member of the house.

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES.

25. After the reading of the journal, the following shall be the order of business :

1st. Senate papers, and first reading of accompanying bills and resolves.

2d. Messages and documents from the executive and heads of departments.

3d. Reception of petitions, bills and resolves requiring reference to any committee.

4th. Orders.

5th. Reports of committees and first reading of bills or resolves.

6th. Bills and resolves reported by committee on bills in the third reading, and on their passage to be engrossed.

7th. Bills on their passage to be enacted.

8th. Orders of the day.

The speaker shall announce each item of business in its turn, and no paper shall be taken up out of its regular order, except by the unanimous consent of the house. The orders of the day shall take precedence of all other business at the expiration of the morning hour.

26. It shall be the duty of the clerk to make up daily a calendar of bills, resolves and other papers, assigned for that day's consideration, and also a calendar of bills and resolves which have had their first reading, and showing the disposition that has been made of each.

27. The unfinished business in which the house was engaged at the time of the last adjournment, shall have preference in the orders of the day, and shall continue to be among the orders of the day for each succeeding day until disposed of, and no motion or other business shall be received, without special leave of the house until the former is disposed of.

28. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but—

1st. To adjourn ;

2d. To lay on the table ;

3d. For the previous question ;

4th. To commit ;

5th. To postpone to a day certain ;

6th. To amend ;

7th. To postpone indefinitely ;

Which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged.

Questions of concurrence or otherwise with the senate shall have precedence of each other in the following order :

1st. To recede.

2d. To concur.

3d. To insist.

4th. To adhere.

29. A motion to adjourn shall always be first in order, and shall be decided without debate.

30. A vote to lay a proposition on the table shall not preclude the further consideration of it on the same day.

31. When motion for the previous question is made, the consent of one-third of the members present shall be necessary to authorize the speaker to entertain it. No debate shall be allowed until the matter of consent is determined. The previous question shall be submitted in the following words: *Shall the main question be put now?* No member shall speak more than five minutes on the motion for the previous question, and while that question is pending a motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate. A call for the yeas and nays, or for division of a question, shall be in order after the main question has been ordered to be put. After the adoption of the previous question, the vote shall be taken forthwith upon amendments, and then upon the main question.

32. Propositions to amend by striking out and inserting dates, numbers and sums, are not divisible; but all propositions, otherwise divisible, shall be divided at the request of any ten members. A motion to strike out being lost, shall neither preclude amendments, nor a motion to strike out and insert.

33. In filling blanks and assigning times for the consideration of business, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

34. When a proposition consists of several paragraphs or sections, amendment of one of them shall not preclude amendment of a prior paragraph or section.

35. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

36. After a motion or order is stated or read by the speaker, and seconded, it shall be regarded as in the possession of the house, and shall be disposed of by vote of the house. But any motion or order may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before a decision or amendment, except a motion to reconsider, which shall not be withdrawn except by consent of the house.

37. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if required by the speaker or by any member.

38. No member shall be permitted to lay a motion in writing on the table, until he shall have read the same in his place.

39. When a vote having been declared by the speaker, is doubted, the members for and against the question, when called on by the speaker, shall rise and stand till they are counted, and the vote made certain without further debate. But a call for the

yeas and nays shall be in order at any time before such a vote is made certain and declared.

40. When a motion has been once made and carried in the affirmative, or negative, it shall not be in order for any member who voted in the minority to move for a reconsideration thereof; but any member who voted with the majority, or in the negative on a tie vote, may move to reconsider on the same or succeeding day. A motion to reconsider shall not be postponed nor laid on the table without a time certain assigned for its further consideration. When a motion for reconsideration has been decided, the vote shall not be reconsidered. A motion to reconsider shall not be in order more than once on the same question.

41. When a member shall move, or give notice of his intention to move, a reconsideration of any vote, the papers to which the motion relates shall remain in possession of the clerk until the question of reconsideration shall have been decided, or the right to move such a question is lost.

42. In all elections by ballot, of the house, a time shall be assigned for such election, at least one day previous thereto.

43. When a reading of a paper is called for, which has been before read to the house, and the same is objected to by any member, the question of reading shall be determined by a vote of the house.

44. Every question of order, which shall be decided on appeal shall be entered on the journal of the house, with the decision thereon.

45. A proposition to require the opinion of the judges of the supreme court, as provided by the constitution, shall not be acted upon until the next day after such proposition is made.

46. All petitions, memorials and other papers addressed to the house, shall be presented by the speaker, or by a member in his place, and shall be endorsed with the name of the person presenting it, and the subject-matter of the same. They shall be read by the speaker, clerk, or such other person as the speaker may request, and shall be taken up in the order they were first presented, unless the house shall otherwise direct.

47. All bills in their third reading, and resolves in their second reading, shall be committed to the standing committee on bills in the third reading, to be by them examined and corrected.

48. All resolves appropriating money or land, shall have their second reading on Wednesday of the week following that of their first reading.

49. All engrossed bills and resolves shall be committed to the standing committee on engrossed bills, to be strictly examined; and if found by them to be truly and strictly engrossed, they shall so report to the house, and the question shall be taken without any further reading, unless on motion of any member, a majority of the house shall be in favor of reading the same as engrossed.

50. Every bill or resolve, providing for the grant of money, land, or other public property, which may be laid on the table by leave, and any report of a committee upon any bill or resolve providing for such grant, shall be accompanied by a written statement of facts in each case; and no such bill or resolve shall be considered before such statement is made, or pass without being read on two several days.

51. No new bill or resolve of a public nature shall be received, except it be reported by a committee, unless the house otherwise order; and all bills and resolves not reported by a committee, shall be laid upon the table for one day, before further action thereon.

52. No act or resolve shall be passed affecting the rights of individuals or corporations, without previous notice to such individuals or corporations.

53. No bill shall pass to be engrossed until it shall have had three several readings; the time for the second and third readings shall be assigned by the house; but if no objection is made, the second reading may be by the title, and at the time of the first. Every resolve which shall require the approval of the governor, shall have two several readings; the second reading shall be subject to the provisions of the third reading of bills.

54. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be sent to the senate, without notice thereof being given to the house by the speaker.

55. When a bill or resolve shall be returned by the governor with his objections, the question shall be stated by the chair, *Shall this bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the governor?* and the same in substance in case of a resolve; which question may be postponed to a day within the session, not exceeding one week, or may be committed. But no other question shall apply to bills and resolves originating in either branch.

56. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, excepting section 51, relating to the reception of petitions, shall govern the house in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the house, and the joint rules of the senate and house of representatives.

57. No rule or order of the house shall be dispensed with, unless two-thirds of the members present shall consent thereto.

58. No rule or order of the house shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any new standing rule or order be adopted, unless one day's previous notice thereof be given in each case; and such notice shall be entered on the journal.

MEMORANDA.

1. Orders, motions in writing, and reports of committees, should never be presented on less than half a sheet of paper.
2. When a *report* of a committee is made to either house it should be accompanied by the *order* appointing said committee.
3. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances from towns in their *corporate capacity*, should be endorsed thus, "*Petition of town of ———,*" [stating concisely the subject matter thereof.]
4. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances from individuals, should be endorsed thus, "*Petition of ——— and others, of the town of ———,*" [stating concisely the subject matter thereof.]
5. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances from corporations, should be endorsed thus, "*Petition of ———,*" [naming the corporation and stating concisely the subject matter thereof.]
6. The name of the member presenting petitions, memorials and remonstrances, should be endorsed on the back thereof, *near the bottom*, with the place of his residence.
7. The member presenting an *order* should put his name thereto on the inside, at the bottom of the page, on the left, with the place of his residence.
8. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances, on which *leave to withdraw* was ordered by a former legislature, cannot be recalled from the files with a view of being again referred. The *original*, however, may be taken from the files, and the subject presented *de novo*.
9. Bills and resolves *refused a passage, rejected or postponed indefinitely* by a former legislature, cannot be called from the files with a view of being considered by the present legislature.

10. The heading or caption of *bills* should be as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

An act ———

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

11. The caption of *resolves*, as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

[*Omitting the year required in bills.*]

Resolve ———

12. The caption of *orders*, as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, ———, 187 .

[or IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ———, 187 .

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13. All bills amended by statute, by striking out words from any section or independent clause thereof, or by adding or inserting other words and provisions, should recite the section or clause as it would read after being amended as proposed.



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	8	H. R. 54. An act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company.
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	15	H. R. 126. An act to incorporate the Leeds Manufacturing Company.
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	6	S. 88. An act concerning municipal and police courts.
	7	No. 61, H. Resolve concerning the claim of George M. Weston against the State of Maine.
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	13	H. R. 200. An act to incorporate the Ocean Mutual Marine Insurance Company.
Military Affairs.....	14	H. R. 97. An act authorizing pensions for soldiers' and sailors' orphans in Female Orphan Asylum in Portland and Children's Home of Bangor.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	15	No. 117, H. Resolve in aid of the Aroostook River Railroad Company.
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	2	S. 26. An act to provide for the taxation of dogs and the preservation of sheep.
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	4	Petition of Ira D. Sturgis, that the draw in the bridge between Arrowsic and Woolwich may be widened.
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		H. R. 208. An act in relation to fiscal school returns to be made to the State Superintendent of Common Schools.
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	6	H. R. 189. An act to establish and maintain a State normal school at North Bridgton, in the county of Cumberland.
	7	Petition of Joseph Farwell and others, for an amendment of the school-house and meeting-house laws.
	8	Petition of inhabitants of northern Maine, for a normal school at Lincoln.
Fisheries	9	On order relating to the protection of Medomak river, with bill (H. R. 110) an act to protect Medomak river.
Interior Waters	10	H. R. 117. An act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Washington.
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	19	Memorial of the National Board of Trade, relating to railway legislation.
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	21	Petition of G. P. Smith and others, for relief in expense of opening road in township No. 6, range 4, W. E. L. S.
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	26	Petition of Joshua M. Leighton, to be set off from Steuben to Milbridge.
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	28	Petition of the Woman's Suffrage Association.
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	30	H. R. 155. An act to amend section 10 of chapter 135 of the revised statutes, relating to executions for capital cases.

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