

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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RESOLVES

OF THE

LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT ITS SESSION,

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE SECOND DAY OF JANUARY, AND
ENDED ON THE NINTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, ONE
THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY-TWO.

PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF JUNE 23, 1820.

PORTLAND :

FRAYER, TAPPAN & STICKNEY, PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1822.

ceding year: And that the Resolve passed June twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, authorizing the appointment of a Surveyor and land Agents, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

[*This Resolve passed February 6, 1822.*]

CHAPTER XXVII.

Resolve authorizing John Gray to convey by deed a lot of land in the town of Freeport.

Resolved, for reasons set forth in the petition of John and William Soule, That John Gray, of North-Yarmouth, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to make and deliver to the said John Soule, a good and sufficient deed of five sixths of one half of the one hundred acre lot Number twenty nine, on Range B, in the town of Freeport, formerly the property of John and Joshua Gray, and Mahetabel Cutter.

[*This Resolve passed February 6, 1822.*]

MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:—

By a law of this State, passed February 5, 1821, it is made the duty of the Treasurer of the State, at the expense thereof, to cause to be had and preserved, as public standards; and which shall be used only as such, certain beams, weights and measures, particularly described in said law.

The Treasurer having submitted to me a detailed statement of his proceedings, I have directed the same to be laid before the Legislature for their information.

From an examination of the papers herewith communicated, the Treasurer appears to have used great diligence in acquiring such information as would be most likely to en-

able him to effect a compliance with the law, and that he has failed in such compliance is attributable to the defect of the standards in use in the parent State. The subject of weights and measures has recently received the attention of the National Legislature, and an able report, giving a full view of the different Standards in use in the several States of the Union, as well as in Europe, was made to Congress by the Secretary of State of the United States toward the close of the last session. A copy of this Report will be furnished you by the Treasurer.

As Congress, under the Constitution of the United States, have the power to "fix the standard of weights and measures," and as the Secretary's Report is now before that body, the Legislature may perhaps deem it expedient for the Treasurer to suspend any further proceedings requiring the expenditure of money, at least, for the present. It is not apprehended that any considerable inconvenience will result from a short delay, inasmuch as it is understood that the several Counties are furnished with beams, weights and measures proved by the standard of the parent State.

ALBION K. PARRIS.

Council Chamber, Jan. 22, 1822.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

Resolve authorizing the State Treasurer to suspend the purchase of a standard of Weights and Measures.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this State, be, and is hereby authorized to omit or delay the purchasing of a public standard of weights and measures, for the use of the State, for the present, and until the meeting of the next Legislature of this State.

[This Resolve passed February 6, 1822.]

CHAPTER XXIX.

Resolves authorizing the Treasurer to borrow Forty Thousand Dollars, to be applied to the payment of the debt of the State.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the State, be, and he is hereby authorized to obtain, on the faith of the State, a