

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.

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

loan of Forty Thousand Dollars, on terms most favorable to the State, reimburseable at the pleasure of the Government, after ten years, with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, to be paid semi-annually, at the Treasury.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to issue proposals for said Loan, and advertise the same at least sixty days, in all the newspapers in Portland; and the persons or corporations offering the greatest premium for such loan shall have the same.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the State, be, and he is hereby authorized, in behalf of the State, to give notes, in sums not less than one thousand dollars each, for such portion of said Loan as may be taken and paid for by any person or corporation, payable to the bearer, as provided in the first Resolve.

[*These Resolves passed February 6, 1822.*]

CHAPTER XXX.

Resolve making valid certain Executions issued from the Clerk's office in Cumberland.

Whereas certain writs of Execution, issued from the Clerk's office of the Supreme Judicial Court, for the County of Cumberland, since the first day of May last, were erroneously made returnable on the second Tuesday of November then next, instead of the first Tuesday of November :

Resolved, That all said Executions, and all the doings and proceedings had thereon, be, and they hereby are confirmed and rendered as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes in law, as if the same had been made returnable on the first Tuesday of November, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

[*This Resolve passed February 7, 1822.*]

MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR.

To the Senate and House of Representatives :—

THE Commissioners appointed on the part of this State, under the Act of Separation, having stated that a division