

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# RESOLVES

OF THE

## SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT THE SESSION

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE FOURTH DAY OF JANUARY, AND ENDED ON  
THE EIGHTH DAY OF MARCH, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIX.



PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF THE 20th JUNE, 1820.



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## CHAPTER LX.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of this State, to make a temporary loan.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State be, and hereby is authorized to borrow on loan, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, at a rate of interest, not exceeding six per cent. per annum, the same to be considered as a part of the sum authorized by the Resolve of the third instant, relating to a loan.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 8, 1826.*]

## CHAPTER LXI.

Resolve imposing a Tax on the several Counties.

*Resolved*, That the sums annexed to the several Counties, contained in the following schedule, be, and the same are hereby granted, as a tax for each County respectively, to be apportioned, assessed, collected and applied, for the purpose of paying the debts and necessary expenses of the same :

YORK,	Eight thousand and eight hundred dollars.
CUMBERLAND,	Nine thousand and three hundred dollars.
LINCOLN,	Seven thousand and five hundred dollars.
HANCOCK,	Four thousand five hundred & seventy five dols.
WASHINGTON,	Five thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.
KENNEBEC,	Five thousand and six hundred dollars.
OXFORD,	Four thousand and twenty five dollars.
SOMERSET,	Two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.
PENOBSCOT,	Four thousand and four hundred dollars.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 8, 1826.*]

## CHAPTER LXII.

Resolve relating to the erection of a National Observatory.

As the promotion of learning and science is a most interesting subject in a Republican Government, the establishment of Institutions for that purpose must ever be regarded with pleasure by those, who feel interested in the prosperity of the country ; the erection of one or more Astronomical Observatories in the United States, as recommended by the President, would, in the opinion of this Legislature, greatly promote science and contribute to the honor of the Nation, and as the

Government is already furnished with instruments nearly sufficient for two Observatories, the expense of the establishment cannot be great : And whereas, the extreme northern position of Maine, gives it many advantages, as a suitable place for the erection of an Observatory, and General Hassler, whose scientific attainments and astronomical knowledge, entitle his opinions to great respect, in his report on that subject, has designated Maine as the place where an Observatory ought to be established :

*Therefore Resolved*, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their best exertions to procure the establishment of a National Observatory, at Brunswick, in this State.

*Resolved, further*, That the Governor be requested to transmit a copy of this Resolve to each of our Senators and Representatives aforesaid, as soon as may be.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 8, 1826.*]

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### CHAPTER LXIII.

Resolve in favor of Lemuel Witham.

Whereas Lemuel Witham, of the House of Representatives, whilst attending upon the service of the State as a Member of said House, at this present session, has been suddenly taken sick, and unable to return home and still remains so ; and must necessarily be subjected to great expense by reason of his sickness and inability to return home : *Therefore, Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this State, to said Lemuel Witham, in addition to his pay for travel and attendance for the whole of the present session, the sum of one hundred dollars.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 8, 1826.*]

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### CHAPTER LXIV.

Resolve respecting Clerk hire in the office of the Secretary of the State and for other purposes.

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of the State, for all necessary Clerk hire in the office of the Secretary of State, in engrossing and copying the Acts, and proceedings of the Legislature, and of the Governor and