

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# RESOLVES

OF THE

TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT THE SESSION

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE FOURTH DAY OF JANUARY, AND ENDED ON  
THE NINTH DAY OF MARCH, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT  
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO.

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PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF JUNE 28, 1820.

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AUGUSTA:

I. BERRY & CO., PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1832.

all the other heirs and representatives of said deceased shall concur in such conveyances or other agreements and be parties thereto. *Provided*, That before doing any act in virtue of this Resolve, the said John Jeffries shall give bond to the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk in such sum and with such sureties as the said Judge of Probate shall direct and approve, conditioned that he will faithfully execute the powers herein granted, and account for and pay over to said John Joy the avails of all sales and other agreements he may make in virtue of this Resolve as the said Judge may order and direct.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 11, 1832.

The joint select Committee to whom was referred an order "to consider the expediency of retaining in the possession of the Legislature all petitions and other papers presented in support of claims against the State, whether allowed or not," have had the same under consideration and Report,

That they are of opinion that the practice of allowing claimants to withdraw their papers, in which the merits of their claims are set forth, is improper and unsafe to the State.—An investigation before a Committee enables the claimant to perceive the weak points in his case, and, if permitted to withdraw his papers, to present his claim again in a varied form before a new Committee at a future Legislature; or if a part of the former Committee should still remain, it is not to be expected that they can in all cases recollect the ground upon which it originally stood; thus almost any claim may be presented from year to year, in a new shape, and a Committee of the Legislature be required annually to wade through a tedious investigation of the same, until, perhaps, through some finesse of the claimant an unjust claim may be rendered plausible and prevail to the injury of the State.—The Committee, therefore, ask leave to report a Resolve which is herewith submitted.

STEPHEN WEBB, JR. *Chairman.*

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## Chapter 25.

Resolve for preserving upon the files the papers of claimants against the State.

Approved February 21, 1832.

*Resolved*, That no papers presented to either branch of the Legislature in support of claims against the State shall

be withdrawn from the files ; and copies or extracts may always be had on application, at the expense of the applicants.

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### Chapter 26.

Resolve in favor of John Bodwell.

Approved February 21, 1832.

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid to John Bodwell, the sum of twenty six dollars, in full for his travel to and attendance at the Senate board at the Session of the Legislature in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty, he having traveled and attended as aforesaid on the summons, of the Secretary of State ; and the Governor is hereby authorized with advice of Council to draw his warrant on the Treasurer of the State in favor of said Bodwell for the sum allowed him as aforesaid.

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### Chapter 27.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Colley.

Approved February 21, 1832.

Whereas Joseph Colley, of the House of Representatives, in attending upon the service of the State as a Member of said House, at the present Session, has been taken suddenly sick and unable to return home, and has, on that account, been subjected to considerable expense—Therefore,

*Resolved*, That there be paid to said Colley out of the Treasury of the State the sum of thirty five dollars, separate from his pay for travel and attendance as a Member of said House.