

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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RESOLVES

OF THE

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT THE SESSION

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE THIRD DAY OF JANUARY, AND ENDED ON
THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF MARCH, ONE THOUSAND
EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHT.

PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF JUNE 28, 1820.

AUGUSTA:
LUTHER SEVERANCE, PRINTER.
1838.

cannot be obtained, to cause our ports to be closed against British vessels coming from said Colonies.

Your Committee, therefore, ask leave to submit the following Preamble and Resolutions.

EBENEZER OTIS, Per Order.

[See Chapter 64 for Resolves.]

MESSAGES OF THE GOVERNOR.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith lay before you the Report of the Inspectors of the State Prison at Thomaston.

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
January 27, 1838. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith lay before you the Report and Account of the Agent, appointed to superintend and manage the sale and settlement of the Public Lands.

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
January 30, 1838. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith lay before you for your consideration a copy of a Resolve of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, respecting the franking privilege; also a Resolve on the same subject passed by the Legislature of the State of Vermont.

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
January 31, 1838. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith transmit to you the Report of the Commissioners "appointed to enquire into and examine the doings and transactions of the several incorporated Banks in this State, and generally to ascertain the state and condition of the same.

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
February 5, 1838. }

To the House of Representatives:

In compliance with an order of the House of Representatives of the 6th inst., I herewith transmit to you "the return by the Surveyor General of the survey of the road, made during the last season, from the termination of the Aroostook road to the Madawaska settlement, with the field notes and plan of the same."

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
February 7, 1838. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith communicate for your consideration a letter received from Ebenezer S. Greely, and also a copy of the order for his discharge, as certified by him. The language of the Lieutenant Governor in relation to the possession, jurisdiction and government of the disputed territory by New Brunswick is, perhaps, not otherwise important than as additional evidence that absolute and exclusive jurisdiction is claimed and insisted upon. I will only add that no communication from me, nor any action of the Executive Department, authorized the expression

"that the offences for which the said Ebenezer S. Greely was so committed will no longer be persisted in."

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
February 15, 1838. }

To the President of the Senate:

In compliance with an order of the Senate of the 15th inst. I herewith communicate a copy of "the Report of the Superintendent of the Insane Hospital," and a copy of the "Report of Council on the Report and Accounts of the Superintendent of the Insane Hospital."

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
February 16, 1838. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith lay before you the Second Annual Report on the Geology of the State of Maine, by Charles T. Jackson, M. D., Geological Surveyor of the State, under the Resolve of March 30, 1837.

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
February 22, 1838. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

In compliance with an Order of the House of Representatives, passed the 23d ult., I herewith communicate the "Re-

port of the Commissioners, who were appointed under the Resolve respecting the territory lying North and East of the Rivers St. John and St. Francis, passed March 3d, 1832."

EDWARD KENT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, }
February 27, 1838. }

REPORT.

PORTLAND, January 14, 1833.

SIR:—We have the honor to enclose copies of four letters bearing date July 4, July 10, July 25 and August 21, 1832, being all the letters relating to our North Eastern Boundary, which have passed between the Secretaries of State, of the Treasury, and of the Navy on the one part, and ourselves on the other, since our return home at the close of June. The mail is also this day charged with a letter addressed to you, bearing even date with the present, and containing the provisional agreement referred to in the letter of July 25th to us, and ours of August 21st in reply. While the time and manner of laying that agreement with the letter, which accompanies and contains it, before the Legislature, rests wholly with yourself, we cannot forbear suggesting the inquiry, whether the adoption of a course, which should render the whole proceeding public, might or might not in the present stage of the negotiation operate injuriously to the interests of the State. Having made the suggestion we respectfully submit the whole matter to the wisdom of the Executive and the Legislature.

It will be perceived on reference to the provisional agreement that we have carefully abstained from entering into any stipulation whatever in regard to the rights or claims of Massachusetts. The reasons for adhering to this course are too obvious to require any allusion to them on our part. The whole territory north and east of the St. John and St. Francis claimed as lying within the true exterior limits of the State of