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OF THE

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**CHAP. 26.**

so far as the same may have been changed by the revised statutes of this state.

When governor to issue proclamation for the election of representatives by general ticket.

**SECT. 4.** If congress in apportioning representatives among the several States according to the sixth census, shall fix upon a ratio which will entitle this state to a less or greater number of representatives than eight, the governor shall issue a proclamation announcing the number to which the state may be entitled, and requiring the qualified voters in the state to assemble in their respective towns at the times and under the regulations provided in this act, to give in their votes for the number of representatives to congress to which the state may be entitled.

[Approved March 17, 1842.]

**Chapter 27.**

AN ACT additional to regulate judicial proceedings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Grand jury to enquire into the accusation against persons accused or committed on offences not cognizable by the court.

Where any person shall be recognized or committed for trial at the supreme judicial or district court, and it shall appear that the offence of which such person is accused, is not cognizable by the court, for trial at which he may have been so recognized or committed, the accusation against such person shall be inquired into by the grand jury attending at such court, in the same manner as though said court had jurisdiction of such offence ; and said grand jury shall have power, if justice requires, to find a true bill against such accused person ; and in such case, the said accused may be ordered by the court then sitting to recognize or to be committed, as the case may be, for trial at the next court to be held in and for the same county, having cognizance of the offence.

Authorized to find a bill, if justice requires.

[Approved March 17, 1842.]

**Chapter 28.**

AN ACT to establish the shire town of the county of Piscataquis.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Shire town of Piscataquis coun-

**SECT. 1.** The town of Dover shall be the shire town of the