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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

county of Piscataquis, *provided however*, that if the legal voters of the several towns and plantations, within the said county, shall, at a legal meeting of the inhabitants to be holden for that purpose, on the second Monday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two, by a majority of votes, designate any other than the town of Dover as the shire town of said county, the legislature at its next session after such designation shall have been made, may establish such town, so designated, to be the shire town of said county; and the votes shall be taken at such town and plantation meetings by ballot, upon which ballot shall be written the name of the town to be designated, and nothing more. And it shall be the duty of the selectmen of the towns, and assessors of plantations, within said county of Piscataquis, seasonably to issue their warrants for the purpose; which warrants shall be posted up for the same time, and in the same manner, as for other town and plantation meetings; and the votes of the several towns and plantations as aforesaid, shall be received, sorted, counted and declared, in open town and plantation meetings, by the selectmen of each town and assessors of each plantation, and perfect lists thereof shall be made and signed by the selectmen and assessors aforesaid, and attested by the town and plantation clerks, and transmitted by them to the office of the secretary of state, on or before the first Wednesday of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three, and by him laid before the legislature; and if it shall appear, that a majority of the votes designate any other than Dover for its shire town, then the legislature shall establish such town, as the shire town of said county; otherwise the said shire shall remain in said Dover until otherwise directed by the legislature.

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ty to be designated by ballot at the annual meeting for the election of state officers.

How votes shall be taken.

Selectmen to issue warrants.

Same proceedings to be had as at election of state officers.

Returns of votes to be transmitted to the secretary of state and by him laid before the legislature.

Town designated to be established as the shire of said county.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Acts, &c. inconsistent, repealed

[Approved March 17, 1842.]

Chapter 29.

AN ACT to amend the seventy fifth chapter of the revised statutes.

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

SECT. 1. Every person who shall hereafter travel from town to town or place to place in this State for the purpose of vending any goods or merchandize, shall first obtain a license therefor from the

Hawkers and peddlers to obtain license from county commissioners.