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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1343.

Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820, February 26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

 $A\ U\ G\ U\ S\ T\ A:$

WM. R. SMITH & Co., PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

Messages of Gov. Kavanagh.

To the senate and house of representatives:

Major general Joseph Berry of the fourth division of the militia, having, at his own request, been honorably discharged, a vacancy has occurred in that office, to which your attention is respectfully called.

EDWARD KAVANAGH.

Council Chamber, March 13, 1843.

To the senate and house of representatives:

A communication has been placed in my hands from Gen. A. B. Thompson, who has been acting as agent of the state, at Washington, in the auditing of the accounts for expenses incurred by Maine, for military purposes, in the year 1839.

He states that, of the sum accruing to Maine by virtue of the agreement assented to by her commissioners appointed under the resolves of May 26, 1842, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars will be soon ready to be paid to any person authorized by the legislature to receive the same; and that the remainder, arising from charges for the expenses of the civil posse, will be immediately submitted to the accounting officers of the general government for examination and allowance.

Inferring from the agent's communication, without having before me a copy of the late act of congress making the appropriation aforesaid, that some legislative action is necessary, on our part, I respectfully submit the subject to your consideration.

EDWARD KAVANAGH.

Council Charber, March 20, 1843.

To the senate and house of representatives:

Major general Stephen Farnum, of the sixth division of the militia of Maine, having, at his own request, been discharged, a vacancy has occurred in that office, to which your attention is respectfully called.

EDWARD KAVANAGH.

Council Chamber, March 22, 1843. To the senate and house of representatives:

Herewith I transmit a copy of a "preamble and joint resolutions, adopted by the legislature of the state of New Jersey, in relation to the repudiation of state debts."

EDWARD KAVANAGH.

Council Chamber, March 23, 1843.

To the senate and house of representatives:

A bill entitled "an act increasing the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in civil actions, and establishing courts of trial, in each city, town and plantation in this state"—has been presented to me this morning: but the mass of business pressing itself on my attention, at this moment, when the two houses of the legislature are about to adjourn, prevents its receiving that consideration to which it is entitled.

Its leading enactments appear intended to effect a great change in the system of judicial proceedings that has, heretofore, been in vigor in this state; and they are of so important a character, that I feel it due to official responsibility to retain it for consideration and advisement, under the provisions of the constitution.

EDWARD KAVANAGH.

Council Chamber, March 24, 1843.