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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

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A. D. 1844.

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RESOLVES

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## CHAP. 294.

## Chapter 294.

Resolve in favor of certain members of the legislature who visited the state prison.

In favor of a committee of the legislature who visited the state prison, §50.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the treasury of the state, the following sums, viz :

To A. D. Atwood, five dollars ;

“ H. W. Cunningham, five dollars ;

“ Lee Strickland, five dollars ;

“ Charles Jarvis, five dollars ;

“ B. H. Meder, five dollars ;

“ Frederic Frye, five dollars ;

“ Josiah Chandler, five dollars ;

“ J. F. Mereen five dollars ;

“ John Mudget, five dollars ;

“ Joseph Berry, five dollars ;

members of the legislature appointed to visit the state prison by a resolve of the legislature passed February first, eighteen hundred and forty-four.

[*Approved March 21, 1844.*]

## Chapter 295.

Resolves providing for the choice of electors of president and vice president of the United States.

Nine electors to be chosen.

*Resolved*, That there shall be chosen on the second Monday of November next, nine inhabitants of this state, to be electors of president and vice president of the United States.

How chosen.

*Resolved*, That the people of this state shall assemble on the said day, in town, plantation, city or ward meeting ; which meetings shall be notified and held, so far as applicable in the same manner, as is provided by the constitution and laws for the election of senators in the legislature of this state, and the voters shall have the like qualifications. And the aldermen and wardens, selectmen, assessors and other officers of the several cities, wards, towns and plantations, respectively, shall have the like powers and be subject to the like obligations and duties as to notifying and holding the said meetings, receiving, sorting, counting, declaring, recording and sealing up the votes ; and all the said officers and voters shall be subject to the like penalties for any neglect or misconduct. Each voter shall be required to bring in on a single list, the names of all persons by him voted for.

*Resolved*, That it shall further be the duty of the aldermen, selectmen and assessors, of the several cities, towns and plantations, respectively, to make return of the lists of the persons voted for, as electors, with the number of votes for each person against his name, sealed up as aforesaid, to the secretary of this state, on or before the twenty-third day of November next; and the returns of the several towns shall be in substance as follows, viz:—

Duty of city, town and plantation officers to make return.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of — in the county of —, qualified to vote for electors of president and vice president of the United States, held on Monday the eleventh day of November, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-four, the said inhabitants gave in their votes for such electors, the same were received, sorted, counted and declared in open town meeting by the selectmen, who presided, and in the presence of the town clerk, who formed a list of the persons voted for, and made record thereof, with the number of votes for each person on said list against his name as follows, viz:

Form of return.

For	Votes.
(Signed)	Selectmen.
Attest:	Town Clerk.

And the returns from the several cities and plantations shall be in similar form, with such variations as their different organization may require.

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the secretary of state, seasonably to procure at the expense of the state, blank returns of the proper form, for such cities, towns and plantations, and to furnish the several clerks thereof, with the same, at least thirty days before the said second Monday of November.

Duty of secretary to furnish blanks.

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the governor and council to be in session on the said twenty-third day of November, and to examine the said returns and determine who are elected by a majority of all the votes; and the secretary of state shall forthwith transmit to each person found by the governor and council to be chosen an elector, a certificate of such choice.

Returns to be examined by governor and council.

*Resolved*, That the said electors shall meet in the senate chamber, at Augusta, on the first Tuesday of December next, and in case, by reason of death or otherwise, all the nine electors shall not be present, the electors present shall, by a majority of votes, on that or the next succeeding day, elect the requisite number of persons, suitably qualified to supply such deficiency.

Place of meeting for electors.

*Resolved*, That the said electors shall, on the first Wednesday of December next, vote by ballot for one person for president, and one person for vice president of the United States, and shall make

Certificates of votes, when forwarded.

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and subscribe three certificates of all the votes by them given, each of which certificates shall contain two distinct lists, one of the votes given for president and the other of the votes given for vice president, and the electors shall seal up the same and certify on each certificate, that a list of votes of the State of Maine, for president and vice president of the United States is contained therein; the said electors or a major part of them, shall also under their hands appoint a person to take charge of one of the said certificates and deliver the same at the city of Washington, to the president of the senate of the United States, before the first Wednesday of January next; they shall also forward by mail forthwith one other of the said certificates directed to the president of the United States, at the said city of Washington; and they shall also cause the remaining certificate to be delivered as soon as may be, to the judge for the district court of the United States for the district of Maine.

*Resolved*, That the said electors shall be paid for their travel and attendance at the same rate as members of the legislature, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the treasurer of the state for the amount thereof.

[*Approved March 21, 1844.*]

**Chapter 296.**

Resolve providing for the repair of the state road from Wilson to Moose Head lake.

Road from Wilson to Moose head lake, \$300.

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred dollars, is hereby appropriated, for the repair of the state road extending from the residence of H. G. O. Barrows, in Wilson, in the county of Piscataquis, to Moose Head lake: provided the towns of Wilson and Greenville shall appropriate the like sum of three hundred dollars, to be expended, with the former, under the direction of the land agent.

[*Approved March 21, 1844.*]

**Chapter 297.**

Resolve in favor of George W. Clark.

In favor of Geo. W. Clark, \$15.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the treasury of this state, to George W. Clark, fifteen dollars in full for expenses incurred