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of the

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CHAP. 157.

lican and the other of some opposite political party, employing labor in that business, whose duty shall be to take all necessary and suitable measures to ascertain whether or not Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash have always been settled with and paid by the state for state printing in accordance with the contract for such printing in force at the time of settlement and payment, and specially whether or not that firm have been overpaid; if so, in what sum, when and under what circumstances; also whether or not that firm have failed to receive the full amount due under any of their contracts, if so in what sum and when; also whether or not the state has honestly and fairly carried out the provisions of the contract with that firm, made by the legislature of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and if not what damages, if any, that firm have suffered thereby.

Resolved, Such commission shall have the power to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers, and shall make their report to the governor and council on or before the first day of August next, and at the same time shall deliver to Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash a copy of such report.

Resolved, If such commission shall report any sum due the state from Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash, the governor is hereby directed to take immediate measures to collect the same. If such commission shall report any sum due that firm either for contract work or as damages for any breach of contract then the governor is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant upon the treasury for payment of the same.

Approved March 4, 1879.

Chapter 157.

Joint resolutions relating to the termination of articles eighteen and twenty-one of the treaty of eighteen hundred and seventy-one with Great Britain.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled: That justice to fishermen and to the fishing interests of the country, require that articles eighteen and twentyone, of the treaty concluded between the United States and Great Britain on the eighth of May, of eighteen hundred and seventyone, should be terminated at the earliest possible period.

Resolved, That we respectfully instruct our senators and request our representatives in congress to use all honorable means to accomplish the purposes indicated by the foregoing resolve.

Resolved, That the secretary of state be required to transmit a copy of these resolves to each of our senators and representatives in congress, and also a copy to the president of the United States. Approved March 4, 1879.

Power to compel attendance of witnesses.

Report.

Great Britain and United States treaty, termination of.

Instructions ' to senators and requests to representatives.

Secretary of state to send copies.