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OF THE

GENERAL COURT

OF THE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

PASSED AT THEIR SESSION,

WHICH COMMENCED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 31st DAY OF MAY, AND

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<i>Lubeck.</i>	<i>Parrington.</i>
<i>Calais.</i>	<i>Steuben.</i>
<i>Robbinston.</i>	<i>Columbia.</i>

Benjamin Pollard, Esq. *Clerk.*

Rev. Samuel C. Thacher, *Chaplain.*

Theron Metcalf, Esq. *Reporter of Contested Elections.*

Jacob Kuhn, *Messenger to the General Court.*

John Low, Jun. *Assistant Messenger.*

Joseph Francis, *Page to the House.*

RESOLVES

OF THE

GENERAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS,

PASSED AT THEIR SESSION,

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE 31st DAY OF MAY, AND ENDED ON THE
15th DAY OF JUNE, A. D. 1815.



GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.



REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER, JUNE 3d, 1815.

At 12 o'clock, the Senators attended in the Representatives' Chamber, agreeably to assignment, when His Excellency the Governor came in, accompanied by his Council, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and other officers of government, and delivered the following

SPEECH :

*Gentlemen of the Senate, and
Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,*

SINCE the commencement of the last session of the General Court, the differences which lately subsisted between the Government of the United States and Great Britain, have been adjusted by the ratification of a Treaty of Peace. Our grateful acknowledgements are therefore due

to the Supreme Being, for the kind interposition of his providence, in thus putting an end to the miseries of war.

Other nations have also been rescued from the same calamity. After a long and most sanguinary conflict, in which every part of Europe was threatened with an insupportable military despotism, the civilized world at the close of our contest with Great Britain, was again restored to peace.— In a state of general tranquillity, which, notwithstanding the late events in Europe, we hope will soon be re-established, each nation is at liberty to pursue without interruption, the measures most conducive to its happiness; and we may be assured that the people among whom the virtues of probity, industry and economy most generally prevail, will be the most successful. I hope our constituents will have a large share of the benefits which an undissembled and permanent renewal of friendship is calculated to bestow; and that the future prosperity of the people of these States will not be interrupted by an unnecessary interference in the disputes and conflicts which may arise in other nations.

When the repeal of the British orders in council was known in this country, it was the professed object of the government, in continuing the war, to compel Great Britain to renounce the claim of searching for her seamen and taking them from our merchant vessels. But as there is not any provision to that effect in the treaty of peace, this subject of the war is relinquished, and we have no pretence again to commit hostilities for the same cause. Nor is it probable that England, or any other of the great nations of Europe, will ever consent to abrogate the general law of perpetual allegiance. Their claims, however, on this point, will do us no important injury, if our government takes effectual measures to exclude foreigners from the employment of navigating our ships, and in this way affords substantial protection and encouragement to our native seamen. The remedy is therefore in our own power. But if we allure foreign seamen into our service, or continue to employ them, even though they may have conformed to our rules of naturalization, we shall again be liable to the inconveniences from impressment which we have heretofore experienced, especially, whenever a war takes place between the maritime powers of Europe. An attempt, after the ratification of the late treaty, to negotiate for the establishment of the principle, that the flag shall in all cases protect the crew, would, in the lan-

guage of a member of the government, be an act of folly which would expose us to derision.

We do not complain that the above concessions are implied in the treaty : we hope that in all respects the measures of our government will be just and conciliating : for in this way only can we reasonably expect peace abroad, or mutual confidence at home. To the great body of the people, it is a matter of indifference by whom the government is administered, if the conduct of the administration is calculated to promote justice and public tranquillity.

Although the declared objects of the war have not been attained by the treaty, the expressions of joy at the restoration of peace were universal, even before the conditions of the treaty were known. Since they have been made public, though it appears that some of the advantages we heretofore enjoyed under former treaties with Great Britain, have not been renewed, yet the people of this State seem to acquiesce in the terms ; and perhaps they submit the more readily, as a great proportion of them have had no expectation from the beginning of the war, that the result would be more favorable. Our constitution was formed to promote the peace, security and commerce of these States, but was not calculated or designed to extend their dominion, or to conquer the territories of other nations. Had our arms prevailed in Canada, as the government seemed to expect, still Great Britain would not have relinquished any material part of her rights on the ocean ; while on the other hand, the enlargement of our territory by the conquest of the British provinces, would have been the source of a ruinous corruption, and must have tended to render the union less permanent.

In the course of the war, the government of this State endeavored to conform its measures to the principles of the constitution, and faithfully to execute the duties enjoined by that instrument. Whatever complaints have been made of the construction we gave it, whether relating to the command of the militia, or the right of the national government, to force the citizens into the ranks of the regular army, or to impair the authority of parents and guardians ; I think the experience and reflection of future times will confirm the correctness of our expositions ; and I presume, that the members of the present national government would have adopted the same construction, at any period during the administration of the two first Presidents of the United States.

Severe calamities are always incident to a state of war, but that state is still more to be deprecated if it shall be understood to furnish the government with an excuse for adopting measures subversive both of civil and political liberty.

To carry into effect the regulations that were deemed indispensable for the protection of the State, during the war, it was found necessary to borrow large sums, as well for the purchase of ordnance, arms and military stores, as for the support and pay of the militia, who at different periods, especially in the last year of the war were called out for the defence of the towns on the sea-coast. A number of arms were lent for the use of the inhabitants of those towns, part of which, agreeably to the directions of the Board of War, have been returned into the public arsenal. The report of the Quarter-Master-General will inform what towns have failed in returning the arms and other articles for defence which had been delivered to them ; and his letter which accompanies the report will suggest for your consideration the expediency of building an additional fire-proof Arsenal and Laboratory for the use of the State, to protect its property in the care of his department.

Of the debt incurred by this Commonwealth in the war of the revolution, about five hundred and fifty thousand dollars still remain due to individual creditors ; the amount of this debt will be considerably increased by our expences in the late war, exclusive of that part for which we have a just claim to be reimbursed by the national government. This subject will require the attention of the Legislature, that effectual provision may be made for the payment of the interest punctually, and the gradual discharge of the principal as soon as the circumstances of the State will permit. To effect these objects a prudent management of the public revenue is indispensable : this will go far to supply the wants of the State and prevent the people from being burdened with additional taxes, which profusion or negligence would render necessary, and which would tend to alienate their affections from the government.

By a resolve of the 12th of February, 1814, the Governor was authorised to accept the services of any military corps, or of individuals, as volunteers, and cause the same to be organized, to be held in readiness for the defence and safety of the Commonwealth : several companies were raised and organized accordingly, and in some instances, arms and

munitions of war were delivered to them, which still remain in their possession. But as the term for which those companies were raised, was not expressly limited by the resolve, doubts have arisen, whether they ceased to exist at the end of the war, or were permanently established as a part of the militia of the State. To remove these doubts, a resolution of the Legislature may be necessary.

The Secretary will lay before you, the report of the Commissioners appointed to proceed to the seat of the national government, for the purposes expressed in a resolve of the General Court of the 27th day of January last. He will also deliver to you a number of letters which have been directed to me with the expectation that they would be transmitted to the Legislature.

You may depend, Gentlemen, on my ready concurrence in whatever will contribute to the prosperity of the State ; and I have no doubt, that by your influence and example, you will endeavor to promote good order, and the due execution of the laws, which are essentially necessary to the happiness of the people.

CALEB STRONG.

Council Chamber, June 3, 1815.

ANSWER
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

May it please your Excellency,

THE House of Representatives have considered with respect and attention, your Excellency's communication of the 3d instant ; and they beg leave to express to your Excellency the gratification they feel, in having again the opportunity of addressing you, as the Chief Magistrate of this Commonwealth.

We unite with your Excellency, in considering the termination of the war between this country and Great Britain, by a treaty ratified since the commencement of the last session of the General Court, as a subject of joyful congratulation to the people of this Commonwealth ; and that our grateful acknowledgements are justly due to that Being, " who is the Author of Peace and Lover of Concord," by whose " kind interposition" we have been snatched from those numberless evils, which, for a while, threatened to overwhelm us.

The mild reign of peace, so recently established in Europe, and which a few months since, promised a long repose to the exhausted nations, seems menaced with sudden interruption ; and the pleasing expectations of the christian and philanthropist, are, we fear, destined to disappointment. Whatever may be the fate of Europe, we may reasonably hope, that the peace of our country will not be hazarded, by an unnecessary interference in the disputes which agitate other nations. In ordinary wars, neutrals are a convenience to belligerents ; and, in the extraordinary conflicts, which have so long made mutual destruction the order of the day in Europe, it is seldom that any of the contending powers seem to have been interested, or inclined to involve the United States in hostilities. We should, therefore, presume, that our country is in little danger of being forced into war ; and

that our national rulers, after the experience they have had of the difficulties, sacrifices and expenses attending war operations, will not again volunteer in the unprofitable contest. The task of repairing its past ravages upon the public and private resources of the country, will be sufficiently sad and arduous.

We agree in the opinion, that as the war has been concluded, without any stipulation relative to the impressment of seamen, it is to be presumed, that the future exercise of the right claimed by Great Britain on that subject, will no longer be considered as cause of war : and that by the exclusion of foreign seamen from our service, it is in our power to prevent all future dispute, or inconvenience, arising from that source. It is easy to do justice ourselves, and to conciliate it from others ; but if the last resort becomes necessary, it is wise to put our antagonist decidedly in the wrong. Such a course will produce mutual confidence and strength, at home, and diminish the chance of contention abroad.

Although the avowed objects of the war have not been attained by the treaty, there was yet ample reason for the general joy that pervaded the country on the restoration of peace. The credit of the nation, and its means of prosecuting the war were at an end—the sufferings of individuals flowing from the failure of public credit, and the suspension of business—the universal feeling that the salvation of the country depended on peace, rendered all question as to the actual provisions of the treaty trivial and insignificant. This state of the public feeling was, in itself, the most profound reproach to the authors of a war, whose evils were so wholly disproportionate to the avowed causes, that the latter were entirely forgotten in the pressure of the former. In another view the people had great reason to congratulate themselves on the conclusion of peace. War, under a free form of government, endangers civil liberty, while it disturbs or destroys individual prosperity and happiness. An unusual portion of power is then necessarily entrusted to executive and military officers—the violation or overthrow of the land marks of civil right are unnoticed or submitted to in the pressure of more interesting events—illicit trade, or legalized plunder take place of lawful commerce ; and the passions of men, roused and heated in the rival work of destruction, offer the most favorable moment to those who en-

tain designs hostile to popular freedom. The peace of no nation ought to be put in jeopardy upon questions of a doubtful nature—but under a popular and paternal government, which is presumed to be uninfluenced by ambitious policy, the evils of war should be encountered only upon the most obvious and unquestionable grounds of necessity. The strength and resources of the country will then act with union and effect, and its reverses will be borne with manly and uncomplaining fortitude.

Although we have gained by the treaty little beside peace, yet we are informed by high authority, that the war was glorious and the peace honorable! By what course of reasoning that position can be maintained, we are at a loss to comprehend. Such a declaration may satisfy some men, but can afford no triumph to those, who believe that a very little more of such glory and such honor must have undone the country. It is indeed true, that our armies have gathered laurels, and our naval warriors, by a series of splendid achievements, have raised a monument of glory to themselves, while they have established by unquestionable proofs, the justness of that early policy of the federal government, which proposed to confide to a navy the protection of commerce and the defence of her maritime rights. For these achievements, and the advantageous light in which they exhibit to the world, the American naval and military character, we are indebted to a few individuals of merit, and not to an administration, whose mistakes and improvidence, have been but ill concealed, even behind the brilliant actions of the ocean, the lakes, and the Mississippi. In our estimation, a war, to be glorious, must be founded in justice, and conducted with prudence, ability, and success; and a peace, to be honorable, must have secured, by legitimate means, the objects of the war.

We presume it will not be denied, that, in the measures taken by the government of this Commonwealth, during the late war, it was intended faithfully to execute the duties enjoined by the constitution, and to be governed by its principles, according to a sound construction thereof. The course adopted has been attended by the most favorable results, and by the saving of great and useless expenses to the nation. It has also received the decided approbation of the people, as expressed in their elections; and we may cheerfully leave to the more impartial judgment of future

times to decide, whether the exposition of the principles of the constitution given by your Excellency, and sanctioned by the other departments of this government, is not the most consistent with the purposes of that instrument, as well as the most favorable to civil liberty. If the necessities produced by a state of war seem at any time to urge a departure from fixed principles, a degree of firmness and independence, that shall be unmoved by the suggestions of fear, or doubt, must be opposed at the threshold by those whose duty it becomes.

The other subjects mentioned in your Excellency's communication, on which the house may be called upon to act, shall receive that attention, which their importance may respectively demand—and, in the exercise of their constitutional duties, they will cordially cooperate with the other branches of the government, in contributing all in their power to the promotion of law, order, and the happiness of the people.

ANSWER OF THE SENATE.



May it please your Excellency,

THE termination of the late unhappy contest between the government of the United States and Great Britain, affords to the Senate of this Commonwealth, the most unfeigned joy, and demands the most humble and hearty thanks of the people to the Almighty Disposer of events, by whose permission an end has been put to the miseries of war. And we congratulate your Excellency upon the present auspicious circumstances of our country, which are adapted to lighten the cares of government, and to give additional value to the recent pledge of confidence in your Excellency which has been renewed by the people of this Commonwealth.

It would be a most pleasing and consolatory prospect if the state of the nations of Europe authorized the expectation, that this interesting quarter of the globe was now destined permanently to reap the fruits of peace from which it has been so long estranged, and to repair the desolation of war by an amicable competition with each other and with our country in the pursuits of probity, industry and economy. But whatever may be the issue of the astonishing events which agitate the old world and confound human foresight, we unite with your Excellency in the sincere and anxious hope that the future prosperity of the people of these states may not be interrupted by a needless interference in the disputes and conflicts of other nations.

We should have derived great satisfaction from perceiving in the late treaty of peace, express stipulations, relative to the avowed objects of the war, which might have been calculated forever to put at rest the controversies which led to that calamity. But we complain not of the national administration, for the omission of such stipulations. We presume they were unattainable, and we readily express our conviction, that in acceding to the terms of the treaty, go-

vernment consulted the best interests of the nation. We ardently hope that the good fortune which has enabled them to extricate the country and themselves from distress and embarrassment, will be accompanied by a sincere desire of a firm and protracted peace, and not by unfounded pretensions, which, by entangling our nation, in the broils of foreign powers, may expose its vital interests to needless danger.

We agree with your Excellency in the sentiment, "that to the great body of the people, it is a matter of indifference by whom the government is administered, if the conduct of the administration is calculated to promote justice and public tranquillity." And if the policy of our present rulers, shall be adapted to retrieve the national prosperity, to establish public credit, to promote justice, provide for the common defence, and prolong the blessings of peace, it will be the duty of every citizen, discarding all local and personal partialities, to cooperate each in his own sphere, in efforts for the attainment of these important objects.

The universal joy which the return of peace has infused into the public mind, is already justified by events at home and abroad. In our own beloved country, an enlivening impulse is already given to commerce and the peaceful arts. Industry is again occupied in all her branches, and the brow of care is smoothed by the sensation of prosperity. Public credit already revives, and may, by judicious fiscal arrangements, founded on unequivocal punctuality and good faith, be fully restored, and the rapid transition of the people from the depression which follows the want of occupation, to the animation which is inspired by the pursuit and expectation of competency, demonstrates that peace is the natural and favorite condition of the American citizen.

In the systems of some statesmen, it is an axiom, that occasional wars are indispensable to develop the power, organize the resources, preserve the military habits, and rouse the dormant energies of a peaceful community. If, among our men of influence, there should be any who cherish this theory, we trust that the glory acquired by our navy and army, the capacity and determination, manifested by this people, to defend their soil, and the facility with which the citizen was transformed into the soldier when the occasion required, will reconcile them to the conclusion, that

the present age, at least, will be in no danger of degeneracy through want of the renewed excitement of open war.

That in a confederacy newly organized, upon the first experiment of a trying and unexpected emergency, the minds of men should be agitated by collisions of opinion relative to the reciprocal duties of the national and state governments, ought not to be a matter of surprize. When the ferment arising in such a state of affairs shall have subsided, the wise and good of all parties, who feel an interest in the union and welfare of their country, will calmly review the ground and principles of their creed, and finally adhere to such expositions of the constitution as are warranted by its true meaning and design.

The considerations respecting the state of the finances of the Commonwealth, the debt incurred by the late war, the remarks relative to the militia, and other important topics suggested by your Excellency, shall receive our diligent attention and deliberate efforts to improve them to the best advantage of our constituents.

RESOLVES.

June, 1815.

CHAP. I.

Resolve establishing the pay of the Members of the General Court. 2d June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to each Member of the Council, Senate and House of Representatives, two dollars per day, for each and every day's attendance the present political year, and the like sum of two dollars for every ten miles travel from their respective places of abode to the place of the sitting of the General Court, at each session of the same.

And be it further resolved, That there be paid to the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives each, two dollars per day for each and every day's attendance, over and above their pay as Members.

CHAP. II.

Resolve providing for an additional Notary Public in the county of Bristol. 2d June, 1815.

Resolved, That one additional Notary Public be appointed for the county of Bristol, to reside in the town of Seekonk.

CHAP. III.

Resolve providing for an additional Notary Public in the county of Essex. 2d June, 1815.

Resolved, That one additional Notary Public be appointed for the county of Essex, to reside in the town of Newbury.

CHAP. IV.

Resolve providing for an additional Notary Public in Boston, in the county of Suffolk. 2d June, 1815.

Resolved, That one additional Notary Public be appointed for the county of Suffolk.

CHAP. V.

Resolve providing for an additional Notary Public in the county of Cumberland. 5th June, 1815.

Resolved, That an additional Notary Public be appointed for the county of Cumberland, to reside in Portland.

CHAP. VI.

Resolve on the petition of the Selectmen of town of Carmel. 5th June, 1815.

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Carmel, stating, that a portion of the laws and resolves of the General Court which had been committed to the care of Charles Hammond, Esq. for said town, were accidentally destroyed by fire before they arrived at the said town of Carmel, and praying that they may be furnished by the Commonwealth with such sets of the laws, resolves and reports as were thus destroyed, and it further appearing by the report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, that there are now in the Se-

cretary's office, a number of each and all the laws of the Commonwealth, so that it is practicable to furnish the town of Carmel with such as they have lost :

Resolved, That the prayer of the said petition be granted ; and that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to deliver to the Selectmen of Carmel, for the use of said town, such portion of the laws, resolves and reports of the Commonwealth, numbered in said petition, as were destroyed as aforesaid.

CHAP. VII.

Resolve granting a tax to the county of Franklin.

6th June, 1815.

Whereas the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the county of Franklin, has exhibited an estimate, made by the said Court, of the sum necessary to be raised the current year, for the purpose of completing the public buildings, and for discharging the other expenses of said county :

Resolved, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be, and the same hereby is granted as a tax on said county of Franklin the present year, to be apportioned, assessed, paid, collected, and applied for the purposes aforesaid, according to law.

CHAP. VIII.

Resolve on the petition of the Selectmen of Marblehead.

7th June, 1815.

The Committee of both Houses, to whom was referred the petition of the Selectmen of Marblehead, praying that the collection of a warrant of distress in favor of the Commonwealth against said town may be delayed, ask leave to report the following resolution.

W. P. WALKER, *per order*.

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the Treasurer of the Commonwealth be, and he hereby is direct-

ed to delay the collection of a warrant of distress, issued by him against the inhabitants of the town of Marblehead, for the State tax assessed upon said town for the year eighteen hundred and thirteen, until the first day of January next.

CHAP. IX.

Governor's Message. 7th June, 1815.

*Gentlemen of the Senate, and
Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,*

The Secretary will lay before you a letter addressed to me by the President of the Board of War, inclosing abstracts of all the payments made by that Board to the last of May, 1815.

He will also deliver you a letter, which I have received from the Directors of the State Prison, representing, that the Proprietors of Prison Point Dam Corporation have located a bridge from Canal bridge to the prison-wharf, in a manner, which, if completed, may essentially affect the property of the Commonwealth, and seriously interfere with the future safekeeping of the convicts, and suggesting that the interference of the Legislature in the premises may be necessary.

The Honorable Joseph Whiton has resigned his office of Major-General of the ninth Division of the Militia of this State, and in compliance with his request has been discharged.

CHAP. X.

Resolve granting David Rixford \$100. 9th June, 1815.

Upon the petition of David Rixford, praying for compensation for his trouble and expenses in detecting and prosecuting David Russell and Moses Atwood to conviction from crimes relating to counterfeiting bank bills :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in the said David Rixford's petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Trea-

surey of this Commonwealth, to said David Rixford, the sum of one hundred dollars, as a compensation or reward, for his services, in detecting and bringing to conviction David Russell and Moses Atwood, in whose possession sundry plates and a large quantity of paper, for the making of counterfeit bank bills, were found by said Rixford ; and that his Excellency the Governor be requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for said sum accordingly.

CHAP. XI.

Resolve, in part relieving the town of Lynnfield of the sum charged to them for Representatives' pay.

9th June, 1815.

On the petition of the Assessors of the town of Lynnfield, in the county of Essex, praying to be relieved from a tax for the pay of Representatives :

Resolved, For the reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth to the inhabitants, of Lynnfield, the sum of sixty-nine dollars and eighteen cents.

CHAP. XII.

Resolve remitting cost on the petition of Honorable Solomon Smead. 10th June, 1815.

On the petition of the Honorable Solomon Smead, of Greenfield, praying for the discharge of an execution issued against him, for costs, in favor of the Commonwealth, in consequence of a resolve of the Legislature, ordering the Solicitor-General of this Commonwealth to commence an action against him ; that he might be discharged from the office of Judge of Probate for the county of Franklin :

Resolved, For reasons assigned in said petition, that the prayer thereof be granted ; and said costs are accordingly hereby remitted.

CHAP. XIII.

Resolve providing for the distribution of Jenkins' Art of Writing. 10th June, 1815.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to deliver, of the copies of Jenkins' Art of Writing, the property of said Commonwealth, and now lodged in his said Secretary's office, one copy thereof to his Excellency the Governor, and one copy to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor, and a copy to each Member of the Council, Senate and House of Representatives, and also one other copy to and for each town, district and plantation in this Commonwealth, and likewise one copy to each of the Reverend Chaplains of the General Court.

CHAP. XIV.

Resolve authorizing one Justice to hold the next Supreme Judicial Court at Barnstable. 10th June, 1815.

Whereas it is inconvenient for three or more of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to attend the next term of said Court, to be holden at Barnstable, for the counties of Barnstable and Dukes' County, and as it is probable little or no business will come before said Court, at said term, which will require more than one of said Justices ;

Therefore resolved, That the said term of said Court may be holden by any one of the Justices of said Court ; and if there should any business come before the said Court to be acted upon at said term, which shall require more than one Justice to hear, try or determine, all such business may be heard, tried and determined by the said Court, at their next law term, to be holden within and for the counties of Plymouth and Bristol, unless the parties thereto shall agree to have it stand continued to the next term of said Court, to be holden at Barnstable for the said counties of Barnstable and Dukes' county.

CHAP. XV.

*Resolve granting \$48 for the use of Mary Bassett.
10th June, 1815.*

On the petition of the Honorable Joseph Whiton, agent for Mary Bassett, of the town of Lee, praying for an allowance, in consequence of her son Jonathan Walley, who fell, fractured his scull, and died, while doing duty in the detached militia, in the month of September last ;

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed, and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto General Joseph Whiton, agent for the said Mary Bassett, and for her use, the sum of forty-eight dollars, in full for all the considerations contained in said petition.

CHAP. XVI.

Resolve on the petition of Thurston Card, granting him a pension. 10th June, 1815.

On the petition of Thurston Card, of Woolwich, praying further compensation for cost and damages, incurred in consequence of his having been wounded by a musket ball, while doing duty in the detached militia, when stationed at Coxe's head, in the month of September last ;

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be further allowed, and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto the said Thurston Card, a pension of sixty dollars per annum, for three years, from the first day of October last ; *Provided*, the said Card should live so long, in semi-annual payments.

CHAP. XVII.

Resolve granting Samuel Currier, thirteen dollars and twenty-five cents, for expense of sickness.
10th June, 1815.

On the petition of Samuel Currier, of Belchertown, praying indemnification for expenses incurred in consequence of his having been taken sick, while doing duty in the detached militia, the last fall, at Commercial Point;

Resolved, For reason set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the said Samuel Currier, the sum of thirteen dollars and twenty-five cents, in full for all the considerations mentioned in said petition.

CHAP. XVIII.

Resolve granting David Sevey \$125, for expenses incurred in losing his right hand, and a pension.
10th June, 1815.

On the petition of David Sevey, of Machias, praying indemnification for expenses and damages incurred in consequence of losing his right hand, while doing military duty on the first Monday of May, 1814.

Resolved, for reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto the said David Sevey, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, in full for his expenses, and a further sum of fifty dollars, annually, as a pension for four years, to commence on the third day of May, A. D. 1814.

CHAP. XIX.

Resolve on the petition of Elizabeth Rice, authorizing the Administrator on the estate of Phineas Rice, to execute a deed. 10th June, 1815.

On the petition of Elizabeth Rice, of Barre, in the coun-

ty of Worcester, setting forth, that on the fourth day of July, A. D. 1791, she purchased of one Phineas Rice, then in full health, but since deceased, one undivided third part of about thirty-two acres of land, situated in said Barre, bounded north on a town road ; westerly on land of David Allen and Barnabas Atwood ; south on land of said Elizabeth, and easterly on land of Samuel Rice and others ; that the purchase money for said land was duly paid to said Phineas ; that the said Elizabeth thereafter, in the lifetime of the said Phineas, entered into possession of the premises, and has ever since quietly remained in the occupation thereof ; that through the negligence of the parties, the legal conveyance of the premises, in fulfillment of the contract aforesaid, was never made to the said Elizabeth by the said Phineas, and thereupon praying for her remedy in the premises :

Resolved, For the reasons aforesaid, that Samuel Rice, Administrator on the estate of the said Phineas, be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to convey by deed to the said Elizabeth, the premises so purchased as aforesaid ; and such deed so made by the said Samuel to the said Elizabeth, in his said capacity, shall pass the said estate, and have the same effect in law as if the same had been made by the said Phineas in his life time, in pursuance of the contract by him made as aforesaid.

CHAP. XX.

Resolve appointing Benjamin Russell, Esq. Printer to the State. 10th June, 1815.

On the petition of Benjamin Russell, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, praying to be appointed and employed as Printer to the General Court the ensuing year :

Resolved, That the said Benjamin Russell, for reasons set forth in his said petition, be, and he hereby is appointed the Printer of this Commonwealth for one year, from the fourth day of June instant, to be fully completed and ended, and until another State Printer shall be appointed in his stead : *Provided*, he, the said Russell, shall do and perform, or cause to be done and performed, the printing, in a

faithful and workmanlike manner, on good and suitable paper, and with all reasonable dispatch, and to the acceptance of the officers for whom the work may be done.

Be it further resolved, That the compensation which shall and may be allowed and made to the said Benjamin Russell, for printing and materials furnished as aforesaid, shall be such as the Committee on accounts may deem to be just and reasonable, they, the said Committee on accounts, taking into consideration and comparison, the pay and allowance heretofore made for similar and like services rendered, and articles furnished by printers to the General Court, for several years last past.

CHAP. XXI.

Resolve allowing \$6000 for the use of State Prison.
10th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury, for the use of the State Prison, the sum of six thousand dollars, to be drawn from the Treasury by the Warden of said Prison, in such sums as the Directors shall, from time to time, direct: and his Excellency the Governor, with advice of Council, is hereby requested to draw his warrants on the Treasurer for said sums accordingly.

CHAP. XXII.

Resolve abating \$133 33, to the town of Dighton.
10th June, 1815.

On the petition of Rufus Whitmarsh, in behalf of the town of Dighton, praying for an abatement of taxes:

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the prayer of said petition be so far granted, that the sum of one hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents be abated to the said town of Dighton, in the last State tax, and that the said town is discharged of said sum in said tax accordingly.

CHAP. XXIII.

Resolve granting further time to the heirs of Edward Tyler, to settle township Letter D. 12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Joseph D. Bass, for the heirs of the late Edward Tyler, Esquire, and others, owners of a township in the county of Oxford, called Letter D. praying further time to effect the settlement of the number of families required by their deed ;

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that a further time of two years, from the first day of June, instant, be, and hereby is allowed to the heirs and assigns of the late Edward Tyler and others, to complete the settlement of forty families on said township Letter D. and if they, the said heirs or assigns, shall settle within said time, the said number of families on said township, that then the estate and right of said heirs and assigns, shall be valid, full and effectual, to all intents and purposes, as if the conditions of settlement had been seasonably complied with : *Provided nevertheless,* The said Tyler's heirs and assigns, shall, on or before the first day of September next, give bonds to the Commonwealth, with sufficient surety or sureties, to the satisfaction of the Agent for the sale of Eastern Lands, conditioned, that the number of families required in said original deed, to be settled on said township, shall, within said term of two years, be settled thereon, or for the payment of thirty dollars for each family which shall then be deficient of the whole number.

CHAP. XXIV.

Resolve on the petition of Elizabeth Brewer and others. 12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Elizabeth Brewer, of Roxbury, in the county of Norfolk, widow of Ebenezer Brewer, late of said Roxbury, trader, deceased, for herself and as Guardian of Lorenzo Richards and Albert Brewer, minors ; Stephen Childs, of said Roxbury, as Guardian of Mary Foster

Brewer, a minor; Chenery Clark, of Roxbury aforesaid, as Guardian of Ebenezer Brewer, a minor; Joseph Davenport, of said Roxbury, as Guardian of Joseph Brewer, a minor; John Clap, of said Roxbury, as Guardian of Adeline and William Brewer, minors; all the said minors being children, and all the children of the said Ebenezer Brewer, deceased; Elisha Tobey, of Dorchester, in said county, for himself, and as Guardian of his daughter Sally Humphreys Tobey, a minor; John Humphreys, of Dorchester aforesaid, yeoman, and Chenery Clark and Charles Davis, as Administrators of said deceased; praying, that the said widow and Guardians may be empowered to convey to the said Elisha Tobey, Sally Humphreys Tobey, and John Humphreys, in the manner therein set forth, a certain piece of land, in Dorchester aforesaid, on payment of a certain sum of money; and also that the said Elisha Tobey may be authorized to convey to the said children of Ebenezer Brewer, an undivided moiety of a certain tract of wood land in said Dorchester:

Resolved, That for the reasons set forth in said petition, the said widow and Guardians be, and are hereby authorized and empowered to convey, by a joint deed, under their hands and seals, to the said Elisha Tobey, Sally Humphreys Tobey and John Humphreys, a certain piece of land in Dorchester aforesaid, one moiety thereof to the said Elisha Tobey and Sally Humphreys Tobey, their heirs and assigns equally, as tenants in common, and the other moiety to the said John Humphreys, his heirs and assigns; the said land being bounded as follows: Northerly by land of Magee; easterly by a creek and by land of Stephen Williams, Jacob and Joseph Bird, and the heirs of Ebenezer Clap, Esq.; southerly as far as land of John Nazro, by a road leading to South Boston; then by Nazro's land; then by said road again; then by land of Jacob and Joseph Bird; then by a road leading from Roxbury to Dorchester, to the first mentioned boundary;—and such deed, executed as aforesaid shall give to the said Elisha, John and Sally, all the right, title and interest, which the said widow and heirs of Ebenezer Brewer have or may have in and to the premises; *Provided nevertheless*, That, before such conveyance, the said Elisha, Sally and John shall pay to each of the children of the said Ebenezer Brewer, ninety-seven dollars and sixty-four cents.

And it is further resolved, That the said Elisha Tobey be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to convey, by deed, under his hand and seal, to the children aforesaid of Ebenezer Brewer, deceased, and their heirs and assigns equally, as tenants in common, one undivided moiety of a certain tract of wood land in Dorchester aforesaid, described as follows: Bounded easterly and southerly by land of Jeremiah McIntosh; westerly by land of Elisha Whitney; northerly by land of Ebenezer Seaver;—and such deed shall be sufficient to convey to the said children, all the right, title and interest that the said Elisha Tobey, or the said Sally Humphreys Tobey have or may have, in and to the premises.

CHAP. XXV.

Resolve making valid any discharge Catharine Lock may execute on the receipt of any legacies bequeathed to her by her late mother. 12th June, 1815.

Upon the petition of Catharine Lock, of Cambridge, wife of Bezaleel Lock, late of Boston, stating, that the said Bezaleel had absented himself from this Commonwealth, and gone to parts unknown to the said Catharine, and left her in indigent circumstances, with children dependent on her for support; that Hannah Learned, mother of the said Catharine, had, in and by her last will and testament, bequeathed to her, the said Catharine, one seventh part of the proceeds of certain real estate, which James Frost, of said Cambridge, was authorized and empowered by the said testatrix to sell and convey; that the said estate has been sold, and that the said executor refuses to pay the amount of said legacy to the said Catharine, in the absence of her husband, on account of her inability to make and execute a valid discharge; and praying that she may authorized to make such discharge, notwithstanding her coverture.

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the said Catharine Lock be, and she is hereby authorized and empowered to receive, of the said James Frost, any legacy or legacies bequeathed to her, the said Catharine, in and by the last will and testament of her mother, Hannah Learned,

and to make and execute to him, the said Frost, a legal and valid discharge for the same, which discharge shall be as effectual to bar the husband of the said Catharine, or his heirs, from hereafter claiming the same, as if the said discharge had been made and executed by the said Bezaleel Lock himself.

CHAP. XXVI.

Resolve allowing Benjamin Baldwin further time to pay sums due to the State. 12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Benjamin Baldwin, of Egremont, in the county of Berkshire, praying that further time may be granted him to pay sums due to the Commonwealth :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in the said petition, that for the payment of the first sum mentioned in said petition, he be allowed till the last day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen : For the payment of the second sum mentioned in said petition, he be allowed till the last day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen : For the payment of the third sum mentioned in said petition, he be allowed till the last day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty : And that he be allowed till the last day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, to make the first payment of interest mentioned in said petition, and that all after payments of interest be made by him on the last day of January, annually.

CHAP. XXVII.

Resolve appointing Commissioners for assessing the Proprietors of Slough Meadow, in Lewistown, on an application from Joel Thompson and others. 12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Joel Thompson and Israel Ham, praying, among other things, the Court to appoint Commissioners to assess and apportion such expenses upon the several

Proprietors of Slough Meadow, in the town of Lewistown, in the county of Lincoln, as the Committee which was appointed by the Court of Common Pleas for the said county of Lincoln, (for that purpose) have already been at in flowing said meadow ;

Resolved, That the prayer of said petition be so far granted, that Oliver Barron, of said Lewistown, Andrew R. Giddings, of Pejepscot, in the county of Cumberland, and Aaron Dwinal, of Lisbon, in the county of Lincoln, be, and they are hereby appointed Commissioners, with full power and authority to assess (being first sworn for that purpose) on the Proprietors of said Slough Meadow, so called, all such expenses as the said Committee, so appointed by said Court of Common Pleas, have been at in executing the duties of their said appointment, together with the expenses in executing the duties of this appointment, and to appoint a Collector to collect the same, and to commit a bill of such assessment to such Collector, with a warrant in due form of law, to collect the same, and the same pay over to such person as they shall appoint Treasurer for said Proprietors ; and make up and complete a settlement with such Treasurer in a reasonable time, by them to be appointed and expressed in such warrant ; and also to do and perform all and singular thing or things touching the expenses already incurred as aforesaid, which the said Committee, appointed by the said Court of Common Pleas, could have done by virtue of their said appointment.

CHAP. XXVIII.

Resolve authorizing the Overseers of the Black Ground and Herring Pond tribe of Indians to sell land.

12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Joshua Thomas, Ephraim Spooner, and Gideon Hawley, Overseers of the Black Ground and Herring Pond tribe of Indians, praying for a license to sell lands of the said tribe, to a certain amount :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the prayer thereof be granted, and that the said Overseers, or the major part of them, be, and they hereby are authorized

and empowered to sell so much of the land belonging to said tribe, at public vendue, as shall amount to one thousand dollars, for the purpose of paying the debts of said Indians, and to make and execute a good and sufficient deed or deeds of the same ; they first giving similar notice of such sale and taking a similar oath, to the notice and oath by law required to be taken by Executors and Administrators, previous to their selling the real estate of their Testators or Intestates, and also giving bond to the Treasurer of this Commonwealth, for the use of said tribe, with a sufficient surety or sureties, to be approved of by the Justices of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the Southern Circuit, to account for the proceeds of such sale or sales, in the settlement of their account of their said Overseership.

CHAP. XXIX.

Resolve granting Jeduthan Stevens, Jr. \$50, in consequence of a wound received while on military duty.

12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Jeduthan Stevens, Jr. of North-Brookfield, praying for an allowance in consequence of losing his left thumb, by the splitting of a gun, while attending on military duty :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth unto the said Jeduthan Stevens, Jr. the sum of fifty dollars, in full for cost and damages occasioned by said accident.

CHAP. XXX.

Resolve allowing compensation to Daniel Whitney and Hezekiah Newcomb, for lots of land they purchased of the Commonwealth, which on running the line proved to be within the Waldo Patent. 12th June, 1815.

On the petitions of Daniel Whitney, of Hampden, and Hezekiah Newcomb, of Number Two, in the first range

north of the Waldo Patent, both in the county of Hancock, representing that by running the north line of the Waldo Patent, part of their lots of land (which they purchased of the Commonwealth) has been found to be within the Waldo Patent, and praying they may have compensation therefor :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petitions, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Daniel Whitney aforesaid, the sum of fifty five dollars and sixty-six cents, in full consideration for the loss of twenty-nine acres of land, taken from his lot, No. 147, in said Hampden ; also that there be allowed and paid to Hezekiah Newcomb aforesaid, (assignee of Thomas Daggett) the sum of one hundred and forty-six dollars and seventeen cents, in full consideration for the loss of seventy six acres and twelve rods, taken from his lot, No. 148, in said Hampden ; the sums of money hereby allowed are the amount which the Commonwealth has received, with compound interest included.

CHAP. XXXI.

Resolve on the petition of Samuel Kent, authorizing the executors of Samuel Gere to execute a deed to him.

12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Samuel Kent, of Granby, in the county of Hampshire, stating, that on the seventeenth day of August, 1808, he conveyed, by deed of warranty, to Isaac Gere, late of Northampton, in said county, deceased, a certain tract of land situate in Granby aforesaid, in the Crank lots, so called, being lots No. 50 and 51, bounded easterly by Belchertown line, and extending westerly from said line, including the whole width of said lots, so far as to contain fifty acres, and bounded northerly by Samuel Ingalls' heirs' land ; southerly by lot No. 49, and westerly by land of said Kent : that said deed, though absolute, and no bond of defeazance was given, was intended by the parties merely to secure the payment of a sum of money, which the said Kent borrowed of said Gere, and which, on the 17th day of May, 1814, amounted only to two hundred and seventy-five-dollars and seventy-five cents ; that said land is of

much greater value than the amount now due ; and praying that Joseph Lyman, Esq. and Solomon Stoddard, jun. Esq. both of Northampton aforesaid, executors of the last will and testament of the said Isaac Gere, may be authorized to re-convey said land to said Kent, upon payment of the amount due from the said Kent to the said Gere, with the annual interest :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that Joseph Lyman and Solomon Stoddard, jun. Esquires, executors of the last will and testament of Isaac Gere, late of Northampton, deceased, be, and they hereby are authorized and empowered to make and execute a deed of release to the said Samuel Kent of the tract of land above described, which deed shall have the effect of conveying all the right of which the said Gere died seized in said land, he, the said Kent, first paying to the said executors, the sum of two hundred and seventy-five dollars and seventy-five cents, with interest thereon from the 17th day of May, 1814.

CHAP. XXXII.

Resolve granting Elisha Douglass \$180, for expenses incurred by the loss of the use of the left arm, and a pension. 12th June, 1815.

On the petition of Elisha Douglass, of the plantation of Lee, in the county of Hancock, for an allowance, in consequence of having lost the use of his left arm by two balls passing through his elbow, and also by a ball passing through his side in September last :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto Elisha Douglass, the sum of one hundred and eighty dollars, in full for all his expenses ; and also a further sum of sixty dollars annually, as a pension, for four years from the third day of September, A. D. 1814 ; *provided* the said Douglass should live so long.

CHAP. XXXIII.

Resolve granting John Carlton, jun. \$60 per annum, for two years, in consequence of being severely wounded.

12th June, 1815.

On the petition of John Carlton, jun. of Frankfort, for an allowance in consequence of having a ball shot through his thigh, while doing duty in the detached militia at Hamden, last autumn :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto John Carlton, jun. a pension of sixty dollars per annum, for two years, should he live so long, to commence on the first day of October, 1814, in addition to the sum the said Carlton has already received from the Board of War.

CHAP. XXXIV.

Resolve allowing Josiah Bachelder further time for the payment of his balance due by him to the Commonwealth.

13th June, 1815.

On the petition of Josiah Bachelder, requesting further time to pay the balance due by him to the Commonwealth :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that a further time of two years, from the fifth day of August next, be, and hereby is allowed to the said Josiah Bachelder, to complete the payment of the balance which may then be due from said Bachelder to the Commonwealth, on the obligations signed by him, dated the fifth day of August, 1809, with the interest thereon, any thing in the contract with the Commonwealth to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. XXXV.

Resolve requiring the return of munitions of war, arms, &c. loaned to towns, individuals, &c. in the course of the late war. 13th June, 1815.

Whereas, in the course of the arrangements made for the defence of the sea-coast of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, during the late war, several thousand muskets, (with accoutrements) and a large quantity of munitions of war, were delivered (from the Magazines belonging to the Commonwealth) to a number of towns and individuals, who became obligated to return the same when called for :

Therefore resolved, That all towns, plantations, military officers, and individuals, of every description, who have received, or who may now have in their possession, or under their control, any munitions of war, or muskets and accoutrements, delivered from the public Magazines aforesaid, be, and they hereby are required to return the same into the Quarter-Master-General's department, at Boston, within ninety days from this date :

Be it further resolved, That in case of failure, in making return of the arms and munitions aforesaid, or of accounting therefor in a satisfactory manner, the town, plantation, or individual, who may have any of the articles aforesaid, now under their care, or control, shall forfeit and pay, to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, the sum of eighteen dollars for each and every musket and set of accoutrements, or fifteen dollars for the musket alone ; and also a reasonable sum for such of the munitions of war aforesaid, according to the just value, which may not be returned within ninety days from the date of this resolve, or otherwise satisfactorily accounted for ; and in order to facilitate the collection of the arms and munitions aforesaid.

Be it further resolved, That the Quarter-Master-General be, and he hereby is empowered and directed to pay all reasonable charges for transporting the articles aforesaid to the public buildings which are placed under his care.

CHAP. XXXVI.

Resolve for abating the tax on Falmouth, and adding the same to Westbrook. 13th June, 1815.

On the petition of the Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Falmouth,

Resolved, That for reasons set forth in said petition, there be, and hereby is abated, of the amount set to the town of Falmouth, in the county of Cumberland, in the tax act, passed March 2d, 1815, the sum of four hundred and thirty-two dollars, which was erroneously put to said town of Falmouth, instead of being put to the town of Westbrook, as its just proportion of the State tax, and Representatives' pay in the tax act aforesaid : And that the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be, and hereby is authorized and directed to issue his warrant, directed to the Assessors of the town of Westbrook, requiring and directing said Assessors to assess, upon the polls and estates within said town, the sum of four hundred and thirty-two dollars, agreeably to the provisions of said tax act, in addition to the sixty dollars for the assessment and collection of which a warrant has already issued.

CHAP. XXXVII.

Resolve making valid the doings, &c. of the towns of Lovell and Sweden. 13th June, 1815.

Upon the petition of John Wood and others, Agents of the Proprietors of the towns of Lovell and Sweden, in the county of Oxford, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, setting forth, that several defects and omissions have happened and intervened in the records kept by said Proprietors, of their doings and proceedings relative to said towns, especially in the early part of said records ; and praying that the Legislature would confirm and render the same valid in law :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the records of the doings and proceedings of said Proprietors,

of said towns of Lovell and Sweden, shall be held good and valid in law, although there is no record of oaths being administered to the Clerk, Collector of taxes, and other officers of said Proprietors in many instances : And although there appears in some instances to be no record of assessments, tax bills, warrants, and other instruments of said Proprietors, that said records shall be held valid and effectual in law, as though there had been a full and perfect record made of all the doings and proceedings of said Proprietors relative to said shid towns of Lovell and Sweden.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

Resolve providing for the purchase of land and the erection of a Public Arsenal. 13th June, 1815.

Resolved, That the Governor and Council be, and they hereby are authorized to cause to be selected, in the town of Boston, or its vicinity, a tract of land, not less than forty thousand square feet in extent, and as much larger as in their opinion may be necessary, for the purpose of erecting an Arsenal and Laboratory, and the same to be purchased, in case the same cannot be obtained upon other terms ; and for this purpose that they be authorized to make any sale or transfer of all the right of the Commonwealth to the land and buildings belonging to the present Arsenal and Laboratory at their discretion.

Be it further resolved, That the Governor and Council be, and hereby are authorized to cause a fire-proof Arsenal and Laboratory to be erected, of such dimensions as they may deem expedient, on the place selected and obtained, in pursuance of the authority herein before given ; and that the same be so constructed as to be separated from all other buildings whatsoever ; and the whole area obtained as before provided, to be inclosed with a brick wall of a suitable height ; and that for this purpose, the Governor be, and he hereby is authorized, by and with the advice of the Council, to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer of this Commonwealth, for any sum or sums, not exceeding ten thousand dollars ; and the Treasurer of this Commonwealth is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow from any Bank

or Banks in this Commonwealth, in the name and behalf of the Legislature, according to the provisions of their several acts of incorporation, and upon such terms and conditions as are therein specified, any sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, for the purpose of discharging the warrants to be drawn in pursuance of this resolution.

CHAP. XXXIX.

Resolve granting a tax for the county of Cumberland.
14th June, 1815.

Whereas representation has been made to the Legislature by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the county of Cumberland, that the sum of three thousand dollars is necessary to be raised in said county the present year, towards building a new Court-House, and fire proof Buildings :

Therefore resolved, That the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby granted as a tax for the said county the present year, to be apportioned and assessed, paid, collected and applied, for the purpose aforesaid, according to law.

CHAP. XL.

Resolve providing for the pay of the Page to the House.
14th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the Messenger, to be paid by him over to Joseph Francis, one dollar twenty-five cents per day, for each day he, the said Francis, shall have attended as Page to the present session of the General Court.

CHAP. XLI.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money.
14th June, 1815.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to borrow of the Banks in Boston, in addition to the sum now borrowed, any sum, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, that may, at any time, within the present year, be necessary for the payment of the ordinary demands made on the Treasury, and that he repay any sum he may borrow, as soon as money sufficient for that purpose, and not otherwise appropriated, shall be received into the Treasury.

CHAP. XLII.

Resolve on the petition of Hannah Chipman, jun. and others, of Sandwich, in the county of Barnstable.
14th June, 1815.

On the petition of Hannah Chipman, jun. of Sandwich, in the county of Barnstable, and Ebenezer Wing, Guardian to Thomas Chipman, Lucy Chipman, and Lydia Chipman, of the same Sandwich, being heirs of Hatsuld Chipman, deceased, and also heirs of Bethiah and Abigail Chipman, deceased, on the one part—and Phœbe Chipman, Executrix of the will of Stephen Skiff Chipman, of the said Sandwich, deceased, and Benjamin Chipman, of the same Sandwich, on the other part, stating, that the estate of the said Stephen Skiff Chipman, is possessed of a certain tract or parcel of land, adjoining the homestead of the above named heirs of Hatsuld Chipman, deceased ; and that the said Benjamin Chipman is tenant in common with the said heirs, of one other tract or parcel of land adjoining the same homestead ; also that said heirs of Hatsuld Chipman, deceased, and of Bethiah and Abigail Chipman, also deceased, are possessed of a certain tract or parcel of land, adjoining the real estate of the said Stephen Skiff Chipman, deceased, and also adjoining the land of the said Benjamin Chipman, it is

the interest of both parties, that the said lands should be reciprocally exchanged at their value : The petitioners therefore pray, that Ebenezer Nye, Samuel Wing and Gideon Wing, or such other persons as the General Court may see fit to name, be appointed to survey and appraise the said lands, severally, and that the petitioners may be empowered to execute deeds of quitclaim reciprocally of the same ;

Therefore resolved, That the said Ebenezer Nye, Samuel Wing and Gideon Wing, being first sworn to a faithful discharge of the duties imposed upon them by this resolve, are hereby appointed to survey and appraise the said lands aforesaid, severally at their true value.

And be it further resolved, That when said lands shall be appraised as aforesaid, the said Hannah Chipman, jun. in her own right, and the said Ebenezer Wing, as Guardian to Thomas Chipman, Lucy Chipman and Lydia Chipman, on the one part—and the said Phœbe Chipman, Executrix to the last will of Stephen Skiff Chipman, deceased, and Benjamin Chipman on the other part, may reciprocally exchange the lands aforesaid ; and are hereby empowered to execute deeds of quitclaim reciprocally of the same, and that the said deeds, when duly executed and recorded, be valid and sufficient according to law ; so that the heirs of Hatsuld Chipman, deceased, may be owners of the lands adjoining their homestead ; and that the estate of Stephen Skiff Chipman, deceased, and the said Benjamin Chipman be tenants in common of the lands adjoining theirs : *Provided nevertheless,* That, if upon the survey and appraisal aforesaid, it shall appear that the estate belonging to the heirs of the said Hatsuld Chipman, deceased, is of greater value than the estate which will be conveyed to them upon the exchange aforesaid, the said Ebenezer Wing, Guardian to the said Thomas, Lucy and Lydia Chipman, before the execution of the deed herein authorized, shall give bonds to the Judge of Probate for the county of Barnstable, in such sum and with such sureties as he shall require, with condition that the money which he may receive by virtue of said exchange, shall be put upon interest for the benefit of said minors.

CHAP. XLIII.

Resolve authorizing the Selectmen of the town of Portland to sell School-House lands, &c. 14th June, 1815.

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Portland, praying in behalf of said town, for leave to sell the land belonging to said town, on which the north School-House, so called, now stands, and apply the proceeds in erecting a new School-House on another lot of land belonging to the town, in a more eligible situation :

Resolved, That the Selectmen of the town of Portland, be, and they hereby are authorized to sell and convey by deed, in fee simple, the lot of land on which the north School-House now stands, as described in said petition, situated in the town of Portland, and appropriate the proceeds of the sale in erecting a new School-House in the north part of said town.

CHAP. XLIV.

Resolve providing that no process issue against the inhabitants of Orrington, for arms, &c. loaned. 14th June, 1815.

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Orrington, praying indemnity for the loss of arms and accoutrements loaned to Warren Ware :

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that no compulsory process shall issue against the inhabitants of said town of Orrington, for the recovery of the twenty-five stands of arms and accoutrements loaned to Warren Ware, in behalf of the Selectmen of said town, and for the use of the inhabitants thereof, by the Committee of sea-coast defence, until a special order of the Legislature shall be passed for that purpose.

CHAP. XLV.

Resolve authorizing the Selectmen of Hampden, to retain arms, &c. loaned, for five years. 14th June, 1815.

On the petition of Joseph Brazier and others, inhabitants of the town of Hampden ;

Resolved, That the Selectmen of Hampden be authorized to retain the forty stands of fire arms, with their accoutrements, loaned for the use of the inhabitants of said town by the Committee for sea-coast defence, for the term of five years : said inhabitants of Hampden in their corporate capacity, being holden to return said arms to the department of government, or authorized agents, then having charge of said arms, or pay the value thereof into the Treasury of this Commonwealth.—And it shall be the duty of the Selectmen of said town, for the time being, to supply such of the inhabitants of said town, as they shall judge least able to furnish themselves with arms and accoutrements, with the use of said arms and accoutrements, for the performance of military duty only.

CHAP. XLVI.

Resolve directing the Secretary to have Jenkins' Art of Writing bound. 14th June, 1815.

Whereas a resolve, directing the way and manner in which the Secretary of the Commonwealth should distribute the copies of Jenkins' Art of Writing, the property of the said Commonwealth, and now lodged in his said Secretary's office, passed on the tenth day of the present month of June ; and whereas the said Secretary has certified that the said Art of Writing is in sheets, and that it would be difficult to deliver the work in that state ;

Therefore be it further resolved, That the said Secretary cause all and each of the said copies to be substantially bound in boards before delivering the same, and as soon as conveniently may be, unless any member shall prefer receiving his copy of said work in sheets ; *provided* the same can be so bound at an expense not exceeding six cents and one quarter per copy.

CHAP. XLVII.

*Resolve granting Thomas Walcutt \$66, for services.
14th June, 1815.*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth to Thomas Walcutt, a Clerk in the lobbies, for the assistance of the Members of the Legislature, the sum of sixty-six dollars, in full for all his services up to the adjournment of the last Legislature.

CHAP. XLVIII.

*Resolve relinquishing to the Society for propagating the gospel in foreign parts, certain lands in Princetown.
14th June, 1815.*

The Committee appointed on the petition of Thomas Dawes and others, in behalf of the "Society for propagating the gospel in foreign parts :"

REPORT, That from the best evidence, which it is in their power to procure, there are certain small parcels of land in Princetown, in the county of Worcester, which formerly belonged to the "Society for propagating the gospel among the Indians and others in North America," which Society, previous to the treaty of peace, ratified in 1783, was established in England, but whose interest in this country were under the management of certain Commissioners appointed by them. Since that period the purposes of said Society have been discontinued, and a new Society established embracing the same objects, and composed of some of those, who were Commissioners of the former Society ; the lands referred to, are two thirds of a lot Letter M. containing one hundred and fifty-eight acres : Division Number one in Poutwater Meadow, containing three acres eighty rods, and a lot containing thirty-four acres and one hundred and thirty rods, and lot number eleven, containing ninety rods. This Legislature, by a resolve of July 2d, 1784, acknowledged the right of said Society in England to said lands, and exempted them from taxation ; said

lands have been from year to year wasted by divers trespassers who have entered on them without right or claim. Your Committee, conceiving that the first mentioned Society is dissolved, believe that said lands have in consequence escheated or reverted to the Commonwealth, though it appears no inquisition has been had on this subject : But as it is just that the said property should still be appropriated to the same benevolent and pious objects as formerly, which the Committee think would be accomplished under the superintendance of the “ Society for propagating the gospel in foreign parts ;”

They, therefore report, That they think it expedient that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and recommend that for that purpose, a resolve be passed of the following tenor, to wit :

ANDREW RITCHIE, *per order.*

Resolved, That any claim or right which is vested in this Commonwealth by escheat or otherwise, regarding certain parcels of land in Princetown, in the county of Worcester, which formerly belonged to the “ Society for propagating the gospel among the Indians and others in North America,” be, and the same hereby is granted and transferred to the Society for propagating the gospel in foreign parts, “ and their successors and assigns forever.”

CHAP. XLIX.

Resolve authorizing the Administrator on estate of Josiah Hill to execute a deed to Wiggins Hill of certain estate.

14th June, 1815.

Whereas, by a resolve passed the General Court on the 9th day of June, A. D. 1813, on the petition of Wiggins Hill, of a place called Kenduskeag, in the county of Hancock, the Administrator on Josiah Hill's estate was authorized to convey to said Wiggins Hill, certain lands therein described, but in consequence of an error in the description of said land, the good intended to the petitioner by said resolve could not be carried into effect.

Therefore resolved, That the Administrator on the estate of said Josiah Hill be, and he hereby is authorized to convey by deed to said Wiggins Hill, all the right, title and interest which the said Josiah Hill had, by virtue of the levy of an execution, in and unto a certain piece of land, situated in township number five, in the seventh range of townships north of the Waldo Patent ; beginning at the south west corner of lot number two, in the first range of lots in said township ; thence north seventy rods to a stake ; thence east sixty-four rods to a birch tree ; thence south seventy rods to a hemlock standing in the town line ; thence west sixty-four rods to the first mentioned bounds, agreeably to the true intent and meaning of the aforesaid resolve, any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. L.

Resolve respecting the Nantucket Court of Sessions.
14th June, 1815.

Resolved, That a Court of Sessions be holden at Nantucket, within and for the county of Nantucket, by the Justices of said Court, on the third Tuesday of July next, and that all applications to be made to said Court, may be made after the passing of this resolve, to the Court of Sessions to be holden as aforesaid, and all applications, matters and things now pending in said Court of Sessions, may be heard and determined at the July term of said Court, or at the next succeeding term thereof.

CHAP. LI.

Resolve establishing the pay of the Clerks in Secretary's, Treasurer's, Adjutant-General's and Quarter-Master-General's Offices. 14th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the first Clerk in the Secretary's Office, also to the first Clerk in the Treasurer's Office, also to the first Clerk in the Adjutant-General's Of-

five, fourteen hundred dollars each, in full compensation for their services for one year from the first day of this current month of June ; and likewise to each of the other Clerks in said Secretary's, Treasurer's, Adjutant-General's Offices, and also the Clerk in the Office of the Quarter-Master-General, three dollars and eighty-four cents per day, for each and every day they are respectively employed therein, for one year commencing the said first day of June current.

CHAP. LII.

Resolve for abating the tax on the town of Dighton, and adding the same to the town of Wellington.

14th June, 1815.

Whereas in the apportionment of the late State tax on the several towns in this Commonwealth, that part of said tax which ought to have been set to the towns of Dighton and Wellington, in the county of Bristol, was put wholly to the town of Dighton, from which the said town of Wellington was taken, and the Legislature has, by a resolve for that purpose, abated the sum of one hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents to the said town of Dighton, which said sum ought to have been put to the said town of Wellington in said tax act ;

Resolved, therefore, That the said sum be set to the said town of Wellington ; and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth is hereby authorized and directed to issue his warrant to the Assessors of said town of Wellington, requiring them to assess said sum on the polls and estates in said town ; and the said Assessors are hereby authorized and directed to assess the same accordingly, and commit a list or lists of such assessment to the Collector or Collectors of said town, with a warrant or warrants to collect and pay the same into the Treasury of this Commonwealth accordingly ; and the said Collector or Collectors are authorized and directed to collect and pay the same accordingly.

CHAP. LIII.

*Resolve granting a tax to the counties of Plymouth and
Dukes' County. 14th June, 1815.*

Whereas the Treasurers of the following counties have laid their accounts before the Legislature for examination, which accounts have been examined and allowed; and whereas the Clerks of the Circuit Courts of Common Pleas for said counties, have exhibited estimates, made by said Courts, of the necessary charges which may arise within the said counties the year ensuing, and of the sums necessary to discharge the debts of the said counties:

Resolved, That the sums annexed to the counties contained in the following schedule be, and the same are hereby granted as a tax for each county respectively, to be apportioned, assessed, paid, collected, and applied for the purposes aforesaid, according to law:—

County of Plymouth, the sum of three thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine dollars and forty one cents, 3989 41

County of Dukes' County, eight hundred dollars, 800 00

CHAP. LIV.

*Resolve establishing the pay of the Lieutenant-Governor,
Secretary and Treasurer of the Commonwealth.
14th June, 1815.*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor thereof, the sum of five hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents, in full for his salary for one year from the thirty-first day of May last past.

Also to Alden Bradford, Esq. Secretary of this Commonwealth, the sum of two thousand dollars, as and for his salary for one year from the sixth day of June instant, he the said Secretary to be accountable, at the end of said year, for all the fees of office he shall have received.

And likewise to John Trecothick Apthorp, Esq. Treasurer and Receiver-General of the said Commonwealth, the

sum of two thousand dollars, as and for his salary for one year from the sixth day of June current ; and that all the aforesaid salaries be paid quarterly as they shall become due.

CHAP. LV.

*Resolve for the pay of Jacob Kuhn, Messenger, \$350.
14th June, 1815.*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury, to Jacob Kuhn, three hundred and fifty dollars, for the present year, commencing the thirtieth day of May last, to be in addition to the sum of four hundred dollars allowed him by a resolve of March 26th, 1793, establishing the pay of the Messenger of the General Court.

CHAP. LVI.

Resolve granting to Jacob Kuhn, Messenger to the General Court, \$1000, for the purchase of fuel, &c. for the government. 14th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Jacob Kuhn, Messenger of the General Court, the sum of one thousand dollars, to enable him to purchase fuel, and such other articles as may be necessary for the use of the General Court, together with the Governor and Council Chamber, the Secretary's, Treasurer's, Adjutant-General's and Quarter-Master-General's Offices, he to be accountable for the expenditure of the same.

CHAP. LVII.

Resolve establishing the pay of Jonathan G. Barnard, Clerk in the Treasurer's Office. 15th June, 1815.

On the petition of Jonathan G. Barnard, Clerk in the

Treasurer's Office, praying for allowance for extra services, and that his salary may be the same as the other Clerk in the Office :

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid to Jonathan G. Barnard Clerk in the Treasury Office, the sum of fourteen hundred dollars per annum, in quarterly payments, from the first day of the present month, in full compensation for his services ; and his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of Council, is requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the same.

CHAP. LVIII.

Resolve providing for the pay of John Low, jun. assistant Messenger. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to John Low, jun. assistant Messenger of the House of Representatives, forty dollars for his services, in that capacity, during the present session of the General Court.

CHAP. LIX.

Resolve granting John T. Apthorp, Esq. \$500. 15th June, 1815.

On the petition of John T. Apthorp, Esq. Treasurer of the Commonwealth, praying that he may be allowed for extra services in the duties of his office :

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to John T. Apthorp, Esq. the sum of five hundred dollars, in full compensation for the extra services performed by him as Treasurer for two years past, in consequence of the business of the office being very greatly increased by the late war ; and his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of Council, is requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the same.

CHAP. LX.

Governor's Message. 15th June, 1815.

*Gentlemen of the Senate, and
Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,*

The Secretary will lay before you a letter addressed to the Governor and Council, by the Board of War, representing, that the service of some authorized agent will be necessary for a few days to complete the views of government, as understood by the law which was passed at the last session of the General Court, to provide for the appointment of a Board of War; the authority and duties of which Board will cease at the end of the present session of the Legislature.

CHAP. LXI.

Resolve for compensating the Committee on accounts.
15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the Committee appointed to examine and pass on accounts, presented against this Commonwealth, for their attendance on that service during the present session, the sums annexed to their names respectively, in addition to their pay as Members of the Legislature :—

Hon. Silas Holman, twelve days, twelve dollars.

Hon. Jacob Abbot, twelve days, twelve dollars.

Daniel Howard, twelve days, twelve dollars.

James Robinson, twelve days, twelve dollars.

Alford Richardson, twelve days, twelve dollars.

CHAP. LXII.

Resolve authorizing Lucy Sayles to convey certain real estate to Elisha Sayles. 15th June, 1815.

On the petition of Elisha Sayles, stating that he sold and conveyed to his son, Ariel Sayles, one undivided half of his farm and buildings, situate in Wrentham, in the county of Norfolk, and received in payment said Ariel's promissory notes for three thousand dollars; and that afterwards he agreed with his said son to re-purchase the same estate and deliver up said notes in payment; and that in pursuance of that agreement, he delivered up said notes; but his said son died without completing his conveyance, and praying that Lucy Sayles, Administratrix of the estate of said Ariel, may be authorized to make the conveyance;

Resolved, That the said Lucy Sayles, Administratrix of the estate of said Ariel, be, and she is hereby authorized to convey to the said Elisha Sayles, the said undivided half of the said farm and buildings; and that the said conveyance shall have the same force and effect as if it had been made by the said Ariel in his life time in pursuance of his said contract.

CHAP. LXIII.

Resolve authorizing Lucy Sayles to convey certain real estate to James Richardson. 15th June, 1815.

On the petition of James Richardson, stating that he contracted to purchase of Ariel Sayles, a tract of land in Wrentham, in the county of Norfolk, and that said Ariel died before he had executed a deed of conveyance of the same, and praying that his Administratrix may be authorized to make and execute a conveyance of the same land;

Resolved, That Lucy Sayles, Administratrix of the estate of said Ariel Sayles, be, and she is hereby authorized to convey, by a good and lawful deed, to the said James Richardson, the tract of land described in a memorandum, signed by the said Ariel Sayles, and referred to in the pe-

tion of the said Richardson ; and that such deed of conveyance shall have the same force and effect as if made by the said Ariel in his life time in pursuance of his said contract.

CHAP. LXIV.

Resolve providing for the pay of the Clerks of the two Houses. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury, to Samuel F. McCleary, Clerk of the Senate, and Benjamin Pollard, Clerk of the House of Representatives, two hundred dollars each ; and also to Robert C. Vose, assistant Clerk of the Senate, one hundred and twenty-five dollars, in full for their services in said offices, the present session of the General Court.

CHAP. LXV.

Resolve appointing Hon. Edward H. Robbins to close the accounts of the Board of War. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That the Honorable Edward H. Robbins be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to complete and close the accounts of this Commonwealth against the United States, now in the office of the Board of War, and file the same in the Secretary's office, on or before the fifteenth day of July next ; and for that purpose to employ the Secretary and Clerks now in that office, until said fifteenth day of July, if in his opinion their services will be so long necessary, and to make said Secretary and Clerks a reasonable compensation for their services.

CHAP. LXVI.

Resolve allowing Samuel A. Bradley \$65, for his travel and attendance at Court. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Trea-

sury of this Commonwealth, to Samuel A. Bradley, Esq. Member of the House of Representatives from the town of Fryeburgh, thirty three dollars for his travel, and thirty-two dollars for his attendance, in full, at the present session of the General Court, and that said last mentioned sum be set to the town of Fryeburgh in the next State tax bill.

CHAP. LXVII.

Resolve allowing pay to Warren Chase, Henry Bacon and Lewis Low, Assistants to the Messenger of the General Court. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Warren Chase, Henry Bacon and Lewis Low, Assistants to the Messenger of the General Court, fifty cents per day each, during the present session of the Legislature, in addition to the usual allowance of two dollars per day.

CHAP. LXVIII.

Resolve allowing pay to Theron Metcalf, Esq. Reporter of Contested Elections. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Theron Metcalf, Esq. Reporter of Contested Elections, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, for his services during the present session of the Legislature, and all other services not heretofore paid for.

CHAP. LXIX.

*Resolve allowing pay to Thomas Walcutt.
15th June, 1815.*

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury, to Thomas Walcutt, a Clerk in the Lobbies,

for the assistance of the Members of the Legislature, one hundred dollars, in full for his services during the present session of the General Court.

CHAP. LXX.

Resolve, for relief of John Chamberlain, junior.
15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That the Keeper of the Gaol in Lenox, in the county of Berkshire, is hereby authorized and directed to set at liberty John Chamberlain, junior, of Dalton, in the county of Berkshire, who stands committed at said Gaol, on a warrant of distress in favor of the Commonwealth, if he shall request it, and if he be committed for no other cause, in case the said John Chamberlain, junior shall give bond to the Commonwealth, in the same sum and sureties, and approved in the same manner he would be required to do, were he to be admitted to the liberties of said Gaol, on said matter; conditioned that he, the said John Chamberlain, junior shall surrender himself to the Keeper of the Gaol in Lenox, in the county of Berkshire, aforesaid, on or before the first day of March next, and remain a true prisoner on the original commitment, as if he had not been set at liberty by virtue of this resolve, unless the said John Chamberlain, junior shall be otherwise legally discharged.

And be it further resolved, That the Keeper of the said Gaol in the county of Berkshire, is hereby directed to receive the said John Chamberlain, junior, into his custody, upon his surrendering himself as aforesaid, and conduct with him in the same way as he would do, if he were then committed by the proper officer, on the warrant of distress aforesaid.

CHAP. LXXI.

Resolve for the appointment of Commissioners, to receive applications from the late Treasurer Skinner's bondsmen for discharge, &c. 15th June, 1815.

On the petition of Simeon Griswold and others, sureties

of the late Treasurer, Thompson J. Skinner, praying to be discharged from further liability on a judgment recovered against them, in favor of the Commonwealth, on their bond :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of Council, be, and he is hereby requested to appoint two or more persons as Commissioners, who shall be authorized to receive applications from any, or all of the bondsmen of the late Treasurer Skinner, for a discharge from their liability on account of said bond ; and said Commissioners, when so appointed, shall, at the cost and expense of such applicants, examine the said applicants, under oath, or otherwise, as to the property which they now possess, or to which they are in any way or manner entitled, and as to any conveyance or other disposition of property made by them, or either of them, since the default of said Skinner was ascertained, and to report to this Legislature such facts as they may deem material, and their opinions upon what terms and conditions the said persons, or either of them, shall be discharged from the demands of the Commonwealth, with powers to send for persons and papers.

Be it further resolved, That the bodies of said bondsmen shall not be arrested on the said demand of said Commonwealth, until the first day of March next.

CHAP. LXXII.

Resolve respecting the care of the Forts, recently erected by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That the Quarter-Master General be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to employ some suitable person or persons to take care of, and prevent injury to the Forts, recently erected by this Commonwealth, in Boston and its vicinity, at Portland, and elsewhere ; and, that he be further authorized and directed to adopt such measures as may be necessary, to repair such injuries as may already have happened to the Forts aforesaid, and to the Barracks and other Buildings connected with the same.

CHAP. LXXIII.

Resolve for the payment of Ward Locke, Assistant to the Messenger of the Governor and Council. 15th June, 1815.

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Ward Locke, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each and every day he may have been employed as Assistant to the Messenger of the Governor and Council, the present session of the General Court.

ROLL No. 73....June, 1815.

THE Committee on Accounts having examined the several accounts they now present,

REPORT, That there are now due to the Corporations, and persons hereafter mentioned, the sums set to their names respectively, which, when allowed and paid, will be in full discharge of the said accounts to the several dates therein mentioned, which is respectfully submitted.

SILAS HOLMAN, *per order.*

PAUPER ACCOUNTS.

Adams, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 22d May, 1815,	101 19
Alford, for board, clothing and doctoring the family of Oliver Spaulding, until they left the town, January, 1815,	113 55
Andover, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 11th February, 1815,	171 52
Augusta, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing sundry paupers, to 24th May, 1815,	70 55
Belgrade, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing Abigail Odin, to 7th May, 1815,	34 78
Blanford, for boarding and clothing Samuel Walker, to 1st February, 1815,	75 00
Becket, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing sundry paupers, to 22d May, 1815,	85 68
Bellingham, for board and clothing Nathan Freeman and wife, to 1st May, 1815,	83 00
Bristol, for board and clothing William How, to 1st May, 1815,	67 20
Belchertown, for board, clothing and doctoring John Stoughton, Melinda Tatson and Margaret Jewet, to 30th May, 1815,	60 90
Bradford, for board and clothing Joshua L. Alsters, to 5th June, 1815,	36 50
Brookfield, for board of Jonas Benton, to 2d May, 1815, and George Mandel till his death, and funeral charges,	48 36

PAUPER ACCOUNTS.

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Barre, for error in account passed January sessions, 1815,	35 00
Bradford, Samuel, keeper of the gaol, county of Suffolk, for support of poor prisoners confined for debt, to 31st May, 1815,	233 13
Beverly, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	311 81
Boxborough, for board and clothing John McCoy, to 22d May, 1815,	65 10
Boston, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	7532 81
Carlisle, for board and clothing Robert Barber, to 28th 1815,	25 51
Colrain, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 25th May, 1815,	72 33
Chesterfield, for board and clothing Adam Hamilton, Rachel Polly and daughter, to 21st May, 1815,	68 01
Conway, for board and nursing Henry Simiman, till his death, and funeral charges,	22 67
Chester, for board of Daniel Slad and wife, to 23d April, 1815, and Lemuel Culver, to 21st February, 1815,	90 07
Cheshire, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 23d May, 1815,	246 88
Cape Elizabeth, for board and clothing James Ramsbottom, to 21st May, 1815,	31 50
Camden, for board and clothing John Bloom, to 7th June, 1815,	30 50
Charlestown, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 10th June, 1815,	87 43
Concord, for board of George Black, to 1st April, 1815,	19 86
Durham, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	351 50
Danvers, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 6th June, 1815,	526 72
Dartmouth, for board and clothing John Quauville, to 20th May, 1815,	64 53
Dedham, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 16th February, 1815,	53 62
Elliot, for board and clothing Jacob Brewer and Abigail Randall, to 30th May, 1815,	43 70

Edgartown, for board and clothing Anthony Chadwick, to 17th May, 1815,	91 01
Friendship, for board of Martha Bigmore, to 3d June, 1815,	20 90
Franklin, for board, clothing and nursing Thomas Bare, to 2d June, 1815,	35 21
Grandby, for board to Ebenezer Darwin, to 19th May, 1815,	32 92
Gill, for board and clothing Sarah Hamilton, to 27th 1815,	65 96
Granville, for board and clothing George Taylor, and Archibald Stewart, to 1st June, 1815,	46 06
Greenwich, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 25th May, 1815,	190 90
Gloucester, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 10th May, 1815,	1114 00
Hancock, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	118 39
Hardwick, for board and clothing Hannah Morgan, to 1st June, 1815,	84 64
Hodgkins, Joseph, for board and clothing sundry insane persons in the house of correction, and allowance as keeper of said house by Court of Sessions,	333 30
Kingston, for supplies to Eliza Kenny and two children, to May 26th, 1815,	20 34
Lincolnton, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 24th May, 1815,	72 37
Leyden, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 20th May, 1815,	47 45
Lenox, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 25th May, 1815,	95 38
Limington, for board and clothing John Orian, to 31st December, 1814,	67 20
Lee, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 25th May, 1815,	156 09
Levant, for board and supplies to Lawrence Hook, to 16th May, 1815,	51 75
Lanesborough, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	80 45
Montague, for board, clothing and nursing Joshua Searl, to 18th May, 1815,	57 50

PAUPER ACCOUNTS.

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Merrill, John, for doctoring sundry prisoners confined in gaol for criminal offences, to January, 1815,	94 00
Machias, for board and clothing Anthony Piper and Moses Wheaton, to 1st June, 1815,	49 50
Marshfield, for board, clothing and nursing Phillis Mitchell, to 23d May, 1815, till the time of her death,	65 08
Marblehead, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 6th June, 1815,	120 70
Norwich, for board and clothing Daniel Williams, to 29th May, 1815,	19 80
Northfield, for board of Amos Riley, to 25th May, 1815,	17 25
New-Salem, for board and clothing Philip Hoven, to 3d April, 1815,	45 23
Northampton, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 22d May, 1815,	211 21
New-Ashford, for board and nursing Elisha and Rebecca Mosher, to 1st May, 1815,	75 00
Newburyport, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	1645 53
Newbury, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	1200 72
Newry, for board and clothing William Burk, to 10th May, 1815,	22 63
Peru, for board of James and Olive Robbins, to 25th May, 1815,	36 15
Pepperell, for board, clothing and nursing Robert B. Minchin, to 23d May, 1815,	44 18
Pittsfield, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	250 75
Plymouth, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 4th June, 1815,	297 96
Portland, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	1079 73
Rutland, for board and clothing William Henderson, to 1st June, 1815,	27 82
Rowe, for board and clothing Betsy Carpenter, to 15th May, 1815,	26 00
Rowley, for board and clothing Benning Dow and Ella Collins, to 28th May, 1815,	75 43

PAUPER ACCOUNTS.

Roxbury, for board and clothing sundry persons, to 3d June, 1815,	227 40
Swansey, for board and clothing James Garnet and Garret Berns, to 27th May, 1815,	45 00
Sharon, for board and clothing Elizabeth Ellis, to 24th August, 1815,	28 01
Somerset, for board and clothing William Elliot, to 1st January, 1815,	25 78
Sutton, for board and clothing Isabella Santee's children, to 4th June, 1815,	68 84
Sandisfield, for board of Richard Dixon and wife, to 1st June, 1815,	23 39
South Berwick, for board and clothing Lemuel Wood, to 29th May, 1815,	22 60
Sandwich, for board, clothing and doctoring Rich- ard Crouch and Rebecah Simonds, to 7th June, 1815,	120 44
Salisbury, for board and clothing Mary Curtis, to 3d June, 1815,	40 55
Springfield, for support of sundry paupers, to 17th May, 1815,	96 89
Tisbury, for board, doctoring and nursing John Watson, till he left the town, 7th Jannary, 1814,	36 20
Upton, for board and clothing Roswell Farrar and E. G. Farrar, to 1st May, 1815,	43 92
Uxbridge, for board of sundry paupers, to 23d May, 1815,	63 65
Vassalborough, for board, doctoring and nursing Abigail Fairbrother and Gustavus Fellows, to 16th May, 1815,	66 32
Windsor, for board, clothing and doctoring Hen- ry Smith, and wife, to 24th May, 1815,	71 80
Walpole, for board, doctoring and nursing Eliza- beth Ellis, to 1st June, 1815,	44 30
Wrentham, for board, doctoring and nursing Dan- iel Fitzgerald, to 27th May, 1815,	36 00
Westfield, for board and clothing John Newton and wife, and Theodotia Gillet, to 31st May, 1815, and Samuel Gibson, till his death,	113 40
Washington, for board and clothing Richard Rig- by, to 22d May, 1815,	19 33
Western, for board and clothing Eliza Trim, to 26th May, 1815,	53 95

MILITARY ACCOUNTS.

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Westbrook, for board of James Burnes, to 23d May, 1815,	62 70
Waldoborough, for board, clothing and nursing Phillip and John Handell, to 6th June, 1815,	200 00
Wilbraham, for board, nursing and doctoring Gideon Lewis, till he left the town, March, 1815,	50 55
Westhampton, for board of John Gay and wife, to 3d June, 1815,	52 50
Worcester, for board and clothing sundry pau- pers, to 1st June, 1815,	137 55
West Springfield, for board, clothing and doctor- ing sundry paupers, to 18th May, 1815, and James Aldrich, till he left the town,	85 95
Williamstown, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	75 14
York, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st June, 1815,	209 95
Yarmouth, for board and nursing Nancy Weaver, till 5th October, 1814, when she left the town,	17 43
Total Paupers,	21,486 94

MILITARY ACCOUNTS.

Courts Martial and Courts of Inquiry.

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Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury, to the several Corporations and persons mentioned in this Roll, the sums set against such Corporations and persons' names respectively, amounting in the whole,

AGGREGATE OF ROLL.

to the sum of thirty-three thousand, five hundred sixty-six dollars and seven cents, the same being in full discharge of the accounts and demands to which they refer.

In Senate, June 15th, 1815.

Read and accepted, sent down for concurrence.

JOHN PHILLIPS, *President.*

In the House of Representatives, June 15th, 1815.

Read and concurred,

TIMOTHY BIGELOW, *Speaker.*

June 15th, 1815....Approved.

CALEB STRONG.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Secretary's Office, October 9th, 1815.

By this I certify, that the Resolves, &c. contained in this pamphlet, which were passed at the June Session, 1815, have been compared with the originals, in this Office, and appear to be correct.

ALDEN BRADFORD,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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