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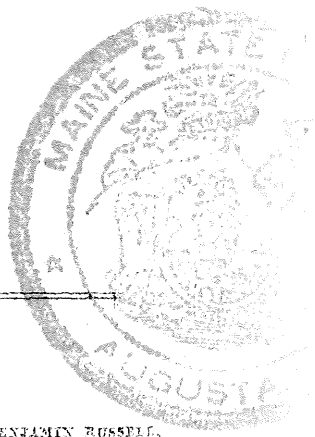
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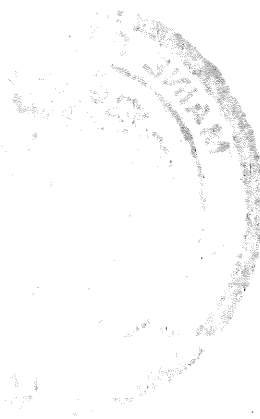
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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER, JANUARY 10th, 1816

At 12 o'clock, the Secretary of the Commonwealth came down from the Council Chamber to the Senate and House of Representatives, with the following MESSAGE from his Excellency the Governor :

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

I HAVE received, since the close of your former session, by order of the Secretary of State, twenty-eight boxes, containing the laws of the United States, for the use of this Commonwealth; they are deposited in the office of the Secretary, to be disposed of according to the directions of the Legislature.



By a resolve of the 15th June, one of the members of the late board of war was authorized to complete and close the accounts of this Commonwealth against the United States, in the office of that board, and file the same in the Secretary's office. It appears by his letter, that the service was seasonably performed :—This letter, together with the adjutant general's annual return of the militia of the state ; and the quarter-master general's return of the ordnance and military stores belonging to this commonwealth, and of the arms and munitions of war which were loaned to several towns and individuals, and which have not been returned into the public arsenal, will be laid before you by the secretary. He will also deliver you a letter from the quarter master-general, stating divers circumstances relating to his department, which will require your attention.

Within the last three years, more than one hundred acts of the General Court have been passed, to incorporate persons for the purpose of carrying on manufactures of different kinds ; in some of these, and other similar establishments, children are employed at an early age, before they have received the education which is usual in our English Schools ; and it may be expedient for the Legislature to require, that effectual measures be taken for the instruction of such children. This would be no disadvantage to our new branches of manufacture, which I have no doubt you will be disposed to encourage, and which seem to be entitled to that protection, which can be afforded to them only by the national legislature.

The careful education of youth is an object of the highest importance, as well to the government, as to every individual ; a due regard to it, is the most effectual method to prevent the commission of crimes, and uphold order and just authority. At this period, when they are most susceptible of virtuous impressions, if they are left without cultivation or restraint, they will entail upon their country an endless series of mischiefs. But if their minds are enlightened by education, as they advance in life, they will understand and duly estimate their rights ; they will be able to judge of the characters and motives of men, and distinguish between the honest zeal of patriotism, and the intemperate heat of party spirit ; and will acquire such information, as will enable them to exercise the rights, and perform the duties of citizens in a free government, with steadiness and discretion.

From the ease with which new regulations may be introduced, perhaps we are in danger of treating the ancient forms and usages of the state with too little respect. The people, generally, have a peculiar attachment to those laws and customs which have been long established, and conform to them more from habitual regard, than through fear of punishment. Unnecessary additions to their number, or frequent alterations, would diminish their authority, and lay a foundation for a multitude of litigious suits. While, therefore, we encourage a spirit of genuine improvement, let us do justice to the usages which we and our fathers have approved, and guard against a temper of unceasing innovation; let us cherish those principles of government, and those systems of education, which have been derived to us from our ancestors; and especially the institutions which have a tendency to preserve in the minds of the people, that reverence for the Deity, without which, neither public nor private virtue can subsist, nor the welfare of a community be secured.

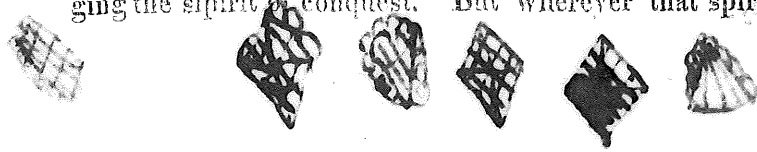
A state of peace is highly favorable to the improvement and prosperity of the people, and affords the best security for the continuance of their freedom. Our remote situation from Europe, might lead us to expect, that we should seldom be in danger of foreign war; but such expectations may prove delusive. In every country, some persons will be found, of a restless temper, who are always dissatisfied with a state of tranquility; and there are many, who eagerly wish for a share in those numerous and lucrative offices and contracts, which appertain to a state of war. These men may employ themselves in attempts to excite animosity in the minds of the people, against nations with whom we are at peace, and whose friendship is beneficial. Indeed, when the country is engaged in war, there may be some apology for adopting, in our publications, the language of boasting and irritation, with a view to recommend the measures of the government. But when war is at an end, if we persist in personal resentment, and endeavor to perpetuate a spirit of enmity against a people for whom our government professes friendship, we manifest a depraved and malevolent temper: such conduct cannot proceed from any honourable motive;—it is equally unjust and impolitic, and can only tend to transmit our odious passions to future times, and entail upon our children implacable hatred, and never ending hostility.



But there may be danger of war from a higher source. In almost every government, there is a party, even in the public councils, who wish to signalize their term of office by some splendid action, or some acquisition of territory, however useless it may be; they are anxious to provide for their numerous friends and dependents, by multiplying public offices, and augmenting the patronage of the government; and they are willing to extend its powers, which are always enlarged in a state of war, in proportion as the public taxes, and the number of standing troops are increased. Besides, governments, strengthened by a large military force, are then often tempted to assume powers, which are wholly inconsistent with civil liberty. The people may also be involved in foreign wars, to suspend disputes or complaints which arise at home; or to promote the success of one political party against the other; or perhaps from the mere impulse of prejudice or passion. But when a war spirit predominates, from whatever cause, there will soon be found some occasion for hostilities. Events frequently happen in the intercourse of nations, which furnish a specious pretence for designing men, to excite the passions of the people and dispose them to a rupture. They may affect great zeal for the interest of their own country, and proportional indignation against those powers, whose measures are supposed to obstruct it. In such cases, it will be hardly possible to avoid war, if at the same time, the people are flattered with an ostentatious display of their resources, and hear nothing but what tends to excite their vanity, or inflame their resentment.

In the motives for making war, self interest has often a controlling influence; under the pretence of regard to national honour, rulers are too frequently inclined to discover supposed insults and injuries where none were intended. Instead of listening patiently to arguments in favor of peace, or reflecting how greatly they themselves may be deceived in appreciating their own motives and actions, they rashly declare war, and sacrifice many thousand lives, when by a short delay, and a candid negotiation, the supposed injuries might have been fully explained or expiated.

Nor does our form of government afford us any assurance of uninterrupted peace. Republics of very limited extent, and surrounded by powerful nations, are chiefly attentive to their own safety; and have seldom an opportunity of indulging the spirit of conquest. But wherever that spirit pre-



vails, whether in republics or monarchies, it is cruel, rapacious and insatiable. During the whole period of the Roman Commonwealth, that people were almost constantly engaged in wars with the adjoining States ; in most of their wars they were themselves the aggressors, and were ready to gratify their ambition and avarice at the expense of neighbouring nations, against whom they had no reasonable ground of complaint.

In republics, ambition is the great source of crimes and misfortunes. It is frequently possessed by the favorites and pretended friends of the people ; who, notwithstanding, when actuated by this impulse, lose their sentiments of justice and regard to the welfare of their country ; and seem to have no sense of public calamities, unless they suffer themselves, or their family connexions, or party influence, are affected.

Although, as members of this government, we can have no immediate agency in producing wars, or preventing them ; yet, so far as we have influence in choosing the officers of the national government, we may and ought to employ it, in selecting those who are distinguished for integrity, moderation, and invariable attachment to the rights of the citizens and the public good. I hope the United States will be saved from the guilt of unjust and offensive wars ; but we shall have little ground to flatter ourselves with the expectation of durable tranquility, until the rulers of the world are governed by disinterested motives, and the passions of avarice and ambition are controlled by a better spirit.

On this occasion, gentlemen, will you indulge me in a few remarks which relate chiefly to myself ?

If we had been in a tranquil state during the last four years, I should not have been a candidate for any public office ; but having been again called upon, I hoped to be capable of performing any service that might be assigned me, until our affairs should be in a more peaceful train, and the difficulties which embarrassed the government of the state should be diminished. That period is now arrived, and the infirmities of age make it necessary for me to retire, as soon as conveniently may be, from public business. Permit me, therefore, to say to you, gentlemen, and through you to our constituents, that I decline to be a candidate for the office of Governor at the next election. I thank my

fellow citizens for the many proofs they have given me of their confidence, and especially for their candor, in doing justice to the motives by which I was influenced in the course of the late war. I hope the people of this state, will in all future times be united in sentiments of mutual good will; and may the Almighty, who protected our fathers, be the guide and defence of their children, in this, and every succeeding generation.

**CALEB STRONG.**

*Council Chamber, January 10th, 1816.*

## RESOLVES.

*January, 1816.*

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### CHAP. LXXIV.

*Resolve granting \$700, to the Messenger of the General Court to purchase fuel. 11th January, 1816.*

*Resolved,* That there be paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Jacob Kuhn, Messenger of the General Court, the sum of seven hundred 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, Adjutant-General's and Quarter-Master-General's Offices, he to be accountable for the expenditure of the same.

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### CHAP. LXXV.

*Resolve for printing and distributing a new volume of the Public Laws. 16th January, 1816.*

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of this Commonwealth be authorized and required to contract with some person or persons, on reasonable conditions, for printing thirteen hundred copies of the Public Acts of this Commonwealth, now in force, which have been passed since February, eighteen hundred and seven, and to include those also which may be passed

by the present General Court; and also for binding the same in one volume, to conform, in size, type and paper, to those last published by order of this Commonwealth, with a suitable index thereto.

*And be it further resolved,* That when the said volumes shall be printed and bound, as aforesaid, the same shall be distributed from the Secretary's Office, in the same manner, and on the same conditions, as are pointed out in a Resolve, passed January 31st, A. D. 1807.

### CHAP. LXXVI.

*Resolve, directing the Secretary to deliver Laws, &c. to the town of Sebec.* 16th January, 1816.

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Sebec, stating that a portion of the Laws and Resolves of the General Court, which were committed to the care of the late Charles Hammond, Esq. for said town, were destroyed or carried away by the troops of Great Britain, in their late invasion of the county of Hancock, and praying that the same may be replaced by the Commonwealth:

*Resolved,* That the prayer of said petition be granted, and that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to furnish to the use of said town of Sebec such portion of the Laws, Resolves and Reports of the Commonwealth as were committed to the said Charles Hammond, Esq. for their use, and destroyed or carried away, as aforesaid.

### CHAP. LXXVII.

*Resolve on the petition of William Sullivan, Administrator of the estate of John Gray.* 18th January, 1816.

On the petition of William Sullivan of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, in the capacity of Administrator de bonis non, with the will annexed, of the estate of John Gray, late of said Boston, rope maker, deceased, praying leave to sell certain real estates, of which the said John Gray died seized and possessed—

*Resolved*, That the said William Sullivan be, and he hereby is, fully authorized and empowered to sell at public or private sale the whole of the aforesaid real estates, which are described as follows—viz: First—a piece of land bounded southeastwardly on Purchase-street, there measuring thirty-three feet six inches: southwestwardly on land of Thomas Dawes, Esq. one hundred and nine feet and five inches: northwestwardly on High-street, there measuring twenty-nine feet nine inches: northeastwardly on other land of said John Gray next hereinafter described, and there measuring in a straight line between the aforesaid streets one hundred twenty-seven feet and six inches. Second—a piece of land bounded southeastwardly on Purchase-street, there measuring one hundred and six feet: southwestwardly on the piece of land herein before described, and there measuring one hundred and twenty-seven feet and six inches: northwestwardly on High-street, there measuring one hundred and nine feet and seven inches: northeastwardly by a straight line from High-street to Purchase-street, bounding on land belonging to Lamb, and land of Stimpson, and land of Clouston, and land formerly of the heirs of Savage, measuring on this line one hundred fifty-five feet three inches.—Third—A piece of land situate on Atkinson-street and High-street bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a corner of land of Honorable Peter C. Brooks, and bounded southwestwardly on Atkinson-street one hundred and two feet and seven inches till it comes to the corner on High-street: then bounded northwestwardly on High-street eighty-three feet: then bounded northeastwardly on land of Francis Wright's heirs one hundred and thirty feet and three inches: then bounded southeastwardly on land of Peter C. Brooks, Esq. seventy-five feet and three inches. And the said William Sullivan is hereby authorized and empowered to make, sign, seal, execute, acknowledge and deliver good and sufficient deed or deeds to pass and convey all the right, title, interest and estate, which the said John Gray, deceased, had in the aforesaid lands, to any purchaser or purchasers thereof; *Provided*, He, the said Sullivan shall be first duly sworn, and shall give bonds to the satisfaction of the Judge of Probate for the county of Suffolk, faithfully and impartially to execute the authority so given him; and to pay over and distribute the proceeds of sale, as the said Judge of Probate may decree; and, *provided, also*, That said Sullivan give



public notice of sale, by advertising the same three weeks successively in three different newspapers printed in Boston, the first of said publications to be, at least, twenty days before the sale of said lands, or any part thereof.

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CHAP. LXXVIII.

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

The Honorable General Cobb has requested permission to resign his office of Major-General of the Tenth Division of the Militia of this Commonwealth, for reasons which have been deemed sufficient—his resignation has therefore been accepted.

CALEB STRONG.

Council Chamber, January 18th, 1816.

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CHAP. LXXIX.

*Resolve on the petition of Sarah Phillips, one of the Grafton Indians.* 19th January, 1816.

Whereas a Resolve passed the Legislature of this Commonwealth, on the twenty-eight day of January last, empowering Asa Goodale, Trustee of the Grafton Indians, to sell a part of the real estate of Sarah Phillips, one of said Indians, and appropriate the interest arising on the proceeds of the sale thereof, for her support; and whereas the said Sarah Phillips has, by her petition, requested leave for the said Trustee to appropriate a part of the proceeds of said sale, for her benefit and support:

*Therefore resolved,* That the said Asa Goodale, Trustee as aforesaid, or his successor in that trust, be, and hereby is empowered to appropriate a part, or the whole of the proceeds of said sale, for the comfort and support of the said Sarah, and likewise to pay such necessary debts, heretofore contracted for her support, as he shall think proper.

CHAP. LXXX.

*Resolve for the Secretary to deliver the Term Reports to the Attorney and Solicitor General.*

20th January, 1816.

*Resolved.* That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to deliver to the Attorney General and Solicitor General of this Commonwealth, one set, each, of the Massachusetts Term Reports, now remaining in his office, and not otherwise appropriated.

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CHAP. LXXXI.

*Resolve on the petition of Joseph Miller, as Executor of the estate of John Wyeth.* 20th January, 1816.

On the petition of Joseph Miller, as Executor of the last will and testament of John Wyeth, late of Cambridge, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, deceased, relating to the affidavit of the notice by him given of his appointment to and acceptance of said trust ;

*Resolved,* For the reasons and purposes in said petition stated, that the prayer thereof be granted ; and that said affidavit by him, said Executor, made of said notice, and now recorded in the Registry of Probate in and for said county of Middlesex as therein alleged, shall be admissible evidence of the time, place and manner said notice was given by him, although the same was not made, filed and recorded within the time therefor limited by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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CHAP. LXXXII.

*Resolve on the petition of Harrison G. Otis, Administrator of the estate of Mary Boylston, late of Boston, deceased.* 20th January, 1816.

On the petition of Harrison Gray Otis, Administrator, with

the will annexed, of the estate of Mary Boylston, late of Boston in the county of Suffolk, deceased, praying leave to sell certain real estate taken by him in his said capacity in execution.

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that said Harrison Gray Otis be, and hereby is authorized to sell at public or private sale, as he may judge most for the interest of all concerned, certain pieces of land, lying in Princeton, in the county of Worcester, upon which an execution in favor of said Otis, Administrator as aforesaid, against the estate of Moses Gill, late of said Princeton, Esquire, deceased, was, on the twenty first day of April last past, extended, as by the record of said execution and return in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Suffolk fully appears—and to make and execute good and sufficient deeds thereof to the purchaser or purchasers; and to pay over and distribute the proceeds of such sales, conformably to such order or decree as may hereafter be made, touching the same by the Judge of Probate for the county of Suffolk, in the same manner as if said debt from said Gill had been received by him in money—said Otis first giving bond to the satisfaction of said Judge of Probate, with condition that the same shall be sold by him bonafide for the best advantage of all concerned; and that the proceeds thereof shall be distributed agreeably to the provisions of this Resolve.

### CHAP. LXXXIII.

*Resolve on the petition of John Parker, Administrator of the estate of William Richardson, late of Lexington, deceased.* 20th January, 1816.

On the petition of John Parker, as Administrator of the estate of William Richardson, late of Lexington, in the county of Middlesex, yeoman, deceased, intestate, relating to the sale, which he, in his said capacity, pursuant to a license of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the middle circuit, therefor, made, at public auction, on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1814, of all said deceased's right, title and interest, in and to divers parcels of real estate, situate in Needham, in the county of Norfolk, to wit, of one undi-

vided forty-eighth part thereof; and to the affidavit therein mentioned by him since made of said sale and his proceedings relative thereto and now recorded in the Registry of Probate in and for said county of Middlesex—

*Resolved*, For the reasons and purposes in said petition stated, that the prayer thereof be granted, and that said affidavit by him made of said sale and his proceedings relating thereto, and now recorded in said Registry, as therein alleged, shall be admissible evidence of said sale and proceedings, although the same was not made and recorded as aforesaid, within the time limited by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

#### CHAP. LXXXIV.

*Resolve on the petition of Susanna White, Administratrix of the estate of Moses White, deceased.*

20th January, 1816.

On the petition of Susanna White, of Windsor, in the county of Windsor, in the state of Vermont, widow, as Administratrix of the estate of Moses White, late of Watertown, in the county of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Esquire, deceased, intestate, relating to the sale which she, in her said capacity, pursuant to a license granted by the Supreme Judicial Court therefor, made, at public auction, on the sixteenth day of June, A. D. 1813, of divers parcels of the real estate of said deceased, and to the affidavit therein mentioned, by her since made of said sale and her proceedings relating thereto, and now recorded in the Registry of Probate in and for said county of Middlesex;

*Resolved*, For the reasons and purposes in said petition stated, that the prayer thereof be granted, and that said affidavit, by her made, of said sale and her proceedings relating thereto, and now recorded in said Registry, as therein alleged, shall be admissible evidence of said sale and proceedings, although the same was not made and recorded as aforesaid, within the time limited by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. LXXXV.

*Resolve on the petition of Amos Gould, of Ipswich, relating to Grammar School. 20th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Amos Gould, of Ipswich, in the county of Essex, yeoman, praying that the Feoffees of the Grammar School in said Ipswich may be authorised and empowered to convey and confirm to him one half part of an old common right in Turner's Hill Pasture, called Turner's Hill Eight, in Ipswich aforesaid, numbered twelve—therefore, for reasons set forth in said petition,

*Resolved*, That the said Feoffees be, and they hereby are, authorized and empowered to make, execute and deliver to said Gould a good and sufficient deed of said half part of the common right aforesaid; which deed, duly acknowledged and recorded, shall be valid to convey and give a good title to said half right: *Provided*, said Gould shall release all right of action for and on account of one half part of an old common right numbered four, in said Pasture, against the heirs, devisees or assigns of Judah Goodhue, yeoman, and Rachel Goodhue, widow, both of said Ipswich, which said Gould may or can have against them, by virtue of their deed to Josiah Lamson, dated twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and six.

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CHAP. LXXXVI.

*Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to transfer the stock of the United States issued in the name of this State to the Boston Bank. 22d January, 1816.*

On the representation of the Treasurer of this Commonwealth,

*Resolved*, For reasons stated in said representation, that the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be, and hereby is authorized to transfer to the Boston Bank, from time to time, all such proportions of the Stock of the United States, issued or to be issued in the name of the Commonwealth, in payment of the principal or interest of the Stock now standing

in the name of the Commonwealth, as the said Boston Bank are entitled to, in virtue of their Charter and existing Laws, or of any agreement made with the Commonwealth.

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CHAP. LXXXVII.

*Resolve on the petition of Warren Chase, assistant to the Messenger of the General Court. 22d January, 1816.*

On the petition of Warren Chase, assistant to the Messenger of the General Court,

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Warren Chase, as assistant to the Messenger of the General Court, the sum of thirty six dollars in full for his services to this day.

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CHAP. LXXXVIII.

*Resolve on the petition of Hepzibah Rathbone, Administratrix of the estate of Reverend Valentine W. Rathbone. 22d January, 1816.*

On the petition of Hepzibah Rathbone, Administratrix on the estate of the Reverend Valentine Wightman Rathbone, and Samuel Rathbone, Guardian of the minor children of the said Valentine, praying that she the said Hepzibah, in her said capacity of Administratrix, may be authorized and empowered to make and execute a deed of sale to one Barzillai Hayward, of Bridgewater, in the county of Plymouth, physician, of about ten acres of land, with the buildings thereon standing, situate in Bridgewater aforesaid, being the same lands and buildings, of which the said Valentine W. Rathbone died seized :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in the petition, that the said Hepzibah Rathbone, in her said capacity of Administratrix as aforesaid, be, and she hereby is empowered to make and execute to the said Barzillai Hayward, a deed of the aforesaid ten acres of land and buildings ; which said deed shall vest in him, the said Barzillai Hayward, his heirs and assigns forever, all the right, title and interest, which the said Valentine W. Rathbone had therein at the time of his death.

## CHAP. LXXXIX.

*Resolve on the petition of Samuel Eastman, Administrator  
of the estate of Lewis Howe, late of Hardwick.*

23d January, 1816.

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that the said Samuel Eastman be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to make and execute to Jason Mixter, a good and sufficient deed of a certain tract of land in Hardwick aforesaid, bounded as follows, viz :— beginning at the south east corner of the premises, at a stake and stones by the north side of the Turnpike road, about forty rods west of Potash-Brook; thence north, twenty nine and one fourth degree east, eight rods and seven links; thence west, thirty five and one third degree north, forty one rods to the turnpike road aforesaid; thence by said road, forty two and one half rods, to the first mentioned corner, containing one acre.

*Also,* That the said Samuel Eastman be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to make and execute to Ezra Ruggles, a good and sufficient deed of a certain tract of land on the west side of the common in said Hardwick, and adjoining the same; bounded as follows, viz. beginning at the northeast corner of the premises, and the southeast corner of Samuel Hathaway's land, at a stake and stones; thence south, five degrees west, twenty-six rods, to the turnpike road aforesaid; thence north forty-three degrees west, by said road twenty-one rods; thence north, five and one half degrees east, thirteen rods and five links; thence east, five degrees south, fifteen rods and sixteen links to the first mentioned corner, containing two acres. Which deeds, when so made and executed, to the said Jason Mixter and Ezra Ruggles; shall be as good and effectual in law as if the said Lewis Howe, in his life time, had made and executed the same.

CHAP. XC.

*Resolve on the petition of Elizabeth Randall.*  
23d January, 1816.

*Resolved*, That all right, title or claim to the real estate mentioned in said petition, which the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has or might have, in consequence of the alienage of John Randall, deceased, and of the said Elizabeth Randall, previous to her having been naturalized, be, and the same is hereby released to the said Elizabeth, her heirs and assigns forever.

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CHAP. XCI.

*Resolve making valid the proceedings of the town of Bethel.*  
23d January, 1816.

On the petition of the town of Bethel, in the county of Oxford, setting forth that the town meetings in said town since the year 1812, had been illegal, that said meetings were not legally warned, that the clerks of said town had omitted to record the seals of the Selectmen's warrants for calling the meetings, and that the Collector of Taxes for the year 1814 was not legally chosen by said town, and praying that the proceedings, acts and doings in the aforesaid particulars may be rendered valid,

*Resolved*, That the proceedings aforesaid of the town of Bethel and of said Collector of Taxes, be made valid and effectual in law to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been done and transacted according to the laws of this Commonwealth, in such cases made and provided.



## CHAP. XCII.

*Resolve, authorizing Ebenezer Emerson to sell real estate of James H. Eames, a spendthrift. 24th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Ebenezer Emerson, of Reading in the county of Middlesex, yeoman, Guardian of James Harvey Eames, of said Reading, a spendthrift, praying that he the said Ebenezer, in his said capacity, may be authorized to sell at public vendue the whole of said spendthrift's real estate;

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the said Ebenezer Emerson, in his said capacity, be, and he hereby is fully authorized and empowered to sell at public auction, and to convey the real estate of said spendthrift, as set forth in said petition, and to give a good and sufficient deed or deeds of said estate : *Provided*, that the said Guardian first give a bond, with sufficient sureties, to the Judge of Probate for said county, to account for the proceeds of said sale, and to observe the rules and directions of law, relative to the sale aforesaid, in the same way and manner as is provided by the law of this Commonwealth, where Guardians are licensed by the Supreme Judicial Court to make sale of the whole real estate.

## CHAP. XCIII.

*Resolve discharging Simeon Dike from the penalty of a Recognizance. 24th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Simeon Dike, of Plymouth, in the county of Plymouth, praying for the remission of the forfeiture of a Recognizance to this Commonwealth, entered into by him as surety, before Nathaniel Goodwin, Esq. a Justice of the Peace for said county, on the second day of May, A. D. 1815, conditioned for the appearance of one John Dike, at the then next Circuit Court of Common Pleas in said county of Plymouth;

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that, upon the payment of all costs, which have accrued by reason of

the prosecution aforesaid, the penalty of said Recognizance be remitted to the said Simeon Dike, and that he be wholly discharged from the same.

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#### CHAP. XCIV.

*Resolve appointing a Committee to inquire into the doings of the Hallowell and Augusta Bank. 24th January, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That the Hon. James Bridge, of Augusta, Samuel Cony, of Wiscasset and Ebenezer T. Warren, of Hallowell, be a Committee to inquire into the doings of the Hallowell and Augusta Bank, incorporated March sixth, 1804, and also the Hallowell and Augusta Bank, incorporated June twenty-third, 1812, and report the state thereof—That the said Committee be instructed to inquire whether the said Corporations have exceeded the powers granted them, or failed of complying with the rules, restrictions and conditions required by their acts of incorporation; to ascertain and report the amount of bills in circulation, and other debts against said Banks, the amount of money and other property belonging to said Banks, and debts due to them; and also the amount of capital divided among the Stockholders and paid to them; of the Hallowell and Augusta Bank, incorporated March sixth, 1804, and generally to ascertain and report the state of said Banks, as soon as may be. The said Committee are hereby invested with full power to examine the books and vaults of said Banks, and to send for such persons and papers as they shall deem necessary to effect the objects of their appointment.

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#### CHAP. XCV.

*Resolve relinquishing land in Princeton to the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Indians and others. 24th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Alden Bradford, Esq. one of a Committee of the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Indians and others in North America, stating that a mistake

had been made in a Resolve of this Legislature, passed on the fourteenth day of June, 1815, by which certain lands in Princeton, which had escheated to the Commonwealth, were granted to "the Society for propagating the Gospel in foreign parts," (no such Society being now in existence in this country) instead of its being granted to the Society first above mentioned, which was the intention of the Legislature ;

*Resolved*, That any claim or right which is vested in this Commonwealth, by escheat, or otherwise, regarding certain parcels of land in Princeton, in the county of Worcester, which formerly belonged to "the Society for propagating the Gospel in foreign parts," be, and the same are hereby granted and transferred to "the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Indians and others in North America," and their successors and assigns forever, any thing contained in the Resolve of the fourteenth of June last to the contrary notwithstanding.

## CHAP. XCVI.

*Resolve on the petition of David Townsend, for leave to erect a Brick Stable. 24th January, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That the Firewards of the town of Boston be, and they hereby are empowered to permit stables to be built of brick, and properly slated, on land owned by David Townsend, for reasons set forth in his petition, situate near Marlborough-street and Bromfield's-lane, in said town, on such terms and conditions as the said Firewards of said town find to be consistent with the safety of said town from fire, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

## CHAP. XCVII.

*Resolve on the petition of the Selectmen of Anson, making their proceedings valid. 25th January, 1816.*

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Anson, representing that divers circumstantial errors and omissions had been committed in notifying their town meetings, and in keeping their records ;

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the proceedings of the several town meetings duly holden within the town of Anson, and the records thereof, shall be deemed and taken to be as valid and effectual, to all intents and purposes, as if the said town and the officers thereof had proceeded according to the laws regulating their proceedings in these particulars.

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## CHAP. XCVIII.

*Resolve appointing a Committee to ascertain the practicability of a Navigable Canal, to unite Connecticut and Merrimack Rivers.* 25th January, 1816.

*Resolved*, That Loammi Baldwin, Esq. and John Far-  
rar, Esq. Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy at Harvard University, or either of them, be a Committee to explore and survey, at the expense of this Commonwealth, a rout for a Navigable Canal from Connecticut river to the river Merrimack, as near as may be on a line drawn from the mouth of Sugar river, which empties into the Connecticut, to the bottom of Sewall's falls near the mouth of Contoocook river, which empties into Merrimack river, in the northerly part of the town of Concord, in the State of New-Hampshire, comprehending the outlets and shores of Sunapee lake; ascertaining the elevation of the said lakes above the waters of the said rivers, and the height of the falls, and of the land on either side of the same, so that the survey may form the basis of a calculation of the expense of such water communication—and make report at the second session of the next General Court.

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## CHAP. XCIX.

*Resolve authorizing Thomas Johnson and others to locate lands.* 25th January, 1816.

On the petition of Thomas Johnson and others, being the persons named in a Resolve of the Legislature, passed the twenty-fourth day of January, A. D. 1815,

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the said Thomas Johnson and others, to wit, Peleg Chandler, Jun. Esq. Jacob Davis, Hannah Moore, sister of said Jacob, William C. Whitney, Nathan Woodbury, Stephen Phelps, Henry Jackson, John Cousins, George Deming, Levi Bartlett, Zebedee Cushman, Davis Woodward, Samuel Brown and Abiel L. Rollins, shall be at liberty to locate the grants of lands made to them by the Resolve aforesaid, on the westerly part of the first and second quarters of the township numbered four, purchased of the Indians on the west side of Penobscot river, under the direction of the Agent for the sale of eastern lands, in one body — *Provided*, that they shall return a plan of said lands, with a copy of the field book, into the land office, within twelve months from the passing of this Resolve; and *provided also*, that all the conditions, in the aforesaid Resolve, passed the twenty-fourth day of January, A. D. 1815, originally granting said lands to said Johnson and others, shall be faithfully and substantially executed, according to the terms of said Resolve, excepting so far, as they are obliged by said former Resolve, to extend the lines of said location to Penobscot river.

### CHAP. C.

*Resolve appropriating \$5,000 for the expenses of the State Prison. 26th January, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury, for the use of the State Prison, the sum of five 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 the advice of Council, is hereby requested to draw his warrants on the Treasurer for said sums accordingly.

### CHAP. CI.

*Resolve on the petition of Francis Brown and others. 26th January, 1816.*

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in the said petition, that Scarlet Hudson of Hingham, in the county of Plymouth,

Administrator on the estate of Nancy Stodder, widow of Daniel Stodder, and late of said Hingham, deceased, intestate, be, and he hereby is authorized to pay over agreeably to such distribution thereof as the Judge of Probate for said county of Plymouth shall deem conformable to law, to Sarah Whiton, widow, Thomas Stodder, Stephen Stodder, and Jonathan French, in the right of his wife, Elizabeth French, all of said Hingham, and Francis Brown, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, in the right of his wife, Abigail Brown, being heirs at law of the said Daniel Stodder, deceased, all the money which shall be and remain in his hands, as Administrator aforesaid, on a settlement of his administration account in the said Probate Office; and the said Judge of Probate of the county of Plymouth is hereby authorized to approve and allow the final account of administration of said Scarlet Hudson, Administrator as aforesaid, which he may settle in said office, agreeable to this Resolve;—*Provided*, the said Sarah Whiton, Thomas Stodder, Stephen Stodder, Jonathan French and Francis Brown shall give bonds to the said Administrator to the approbation of said Judge of Probate, to repay the same sum, by them to be received as aforesaid, to the heirs of said Nancy Stodder, if any such heirs should hereafter appear to claim the same; which bond shall be by said Administrator filed in the Probate Office for said county of Plymouth.

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## CHAP. CII.

*Resolve on the petition of Thomas Manning, of Ipswich, physician. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Thomas Manning, of Ipswich, in the county of Essex, physician,

*Resolved*, That the Committee of Accounts be authorized to examine the account of Thomas Manning, of Ipswich, in the county of Essex, physician, for medical aid, medicine, and attending to state paupers, and to allow the same or any part thereof, if they think proper, notwithstanding that the same is of more than two years standing, any Resolve to the contrary notwithstanding.

### CHAP. CIII.

*Resolve allowing \$40 to Isaac Pierce, of Orrington. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Isaac Pierce, of Orrington, praying compensation for loss of time occasioned by a wound he received at Hampden, in September, 1814, while in the service of this Commonwealth,

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Isaac Pierce, of Orrington, an Ensign in Captain Ware's company of militia, the sum of forty dollars, in full for services, in addition to what has heretofore been allowed for expenses incurred by said Pierce, in consequence of receiving a wound in his thigh, in September, A. D. 1814, while acting under the orders of General Blake, at Hampden, in full for all services and expenses in relation to that subject.

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### CHAP. CIV.

*Resolve on the petition of Jonathan G. Barnard, allowing him \$166 66. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Jonathan G. Barnard, late a Clerk in the Treasurer's Office, praying for an allowance for extra services ;

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the said Jonathan G. Barnard, the sum of one hundred sixty-six dollars, and sixty-six cents, so as to make his salary during the year ending on the first day of June last, equal to that of the other Clerk in said office, in full compensation for his extra services in consequence of the increased business of said office—and his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of Council, is requested to draw his warrant on the Treasury for the same.

CHAP. CV.

*Resolve making valid the record of the proceedings of the town of Chesterville. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Chesterville, praying that the proceedings of said town, in relation to their town records, may be made valid ;

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the records of said town of Chesterville; in the cases specified in their said petition, shall be, and hereby are rendered valid in all respects, in the same manner as they would have been, if the warrants or notifications for calling town meetings, had been legally and correctly issued, published, returned and recorded, and the evidence of the qualifications of such officers had been duly and regularly entered on the records of the said town.

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CHAP. CVI.

*Resolve on the petition of Nathan Brooks, Administrator of the estate of Jonathan H. Davis. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Nathan Brooks, Administrator on the estate of Jonathan H. Davis, late of Concord, in the county of Middlesex, gentleman, deceased, intestate, shewing, that the said intestate was, in his life-time, seized and possessed in fee of one undivided moiety of a certain piece of land situated in said Concord, called the Stephen Jones' lot, and that for a valuable consideration to the said intestate's agent, paid by one Caleb Bates, the said intestate contracted to convey to said Bates, his right and title to said piece of land, but was prevented from making a deed of said land by death ; and praying that said Administrator may be authorized to execute a conveyance of said land to said Bates ;

*Therefore resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that Nathan Brooks, of Concord, in the county of Middlesex, aforesaid, Administrator of the estate of Jonathan H. Davis, be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to make and execute a deed of said above described premises



to the said Caleb Bates, his heirs and assigns forever, which shall be as valid and binding in law, as if the same had been made and executed by the intestate in his life-time.

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### CHAP. CVII.

*Resolve allowing \$50, to David Whitcomb, of Sweden.  
27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of David Whitecomb. praying compensation for expenses incurred by reason of sickness, while he was detached as a soldier, for the defence of Portland, in September, 1814,

*Resolved,* That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto David Whitcomb, of Sweden, the sum of fifty dollars, in full for all claims he may have in relation to services and expenses, in consequence of such detachment.

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### CHAP. CVIII.

*Resolve on the petition of Edward Brown, refunding him  
\$400. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Edward Brown, praying to be reimbursed the sum of four hundred dollars, paid by him as the forfeiture of a recognizance of his surety, the same having been paid by the principal :

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be refunded and paid to Edward Brown, the sum of four hundred dollars, which was paid by him on the recognizance of Benjamin Felt, as his surety for the appearance of Benjamin Brown, a minor, the forfeiture of said recognizance having been paid by the petitioner as principal in the same ; and his Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of Council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the Treasury for the same.

CHAP. CIX.

*Resolve on the petition of Levi Moody, Collector of Taxes in Waldoborough. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition of Levi Moody, Collector of taxes for the town of Waldoborough, shewing, that in May last, he placed in the hands of Jacob Ludwig, jun. one of the Representatives in the General Court for said town of Waldoborough, the sum of thirty-three dollars, for the purpose of being paid into the Treasury of this State, as part of the taxes committed to him to collect ; and that on the arrival of said Ludwig in Boston, on his way to the Treasurer's Office, in said month of May, his pocket book was stolen, containing the aforesaid sum, no part of which has ever been regained ; and praying relief in this behalf :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the sum of thirty-three dollars, part of the State tax of the town of Waldoborough, for the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, be, and the same hereby is abated. And the Treasurer of this Commonwealth is hereby directed to credit the said Levi Moody with the said sum of thirty-three dollars on the books of his office, as and for the said abatement.

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CHAP. CX.

*Resolve on the petition of Cyrus Hamlin, who was a bondsman of D. Learned, late Sheriff of Oxford county. 27th January, 1816.*

On the petition and representation of Cyrus Hamlin, one of the bondsmen of David Learned, late Sheriff of Oxford county,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be directed to stay process against the bondsmen of said Learned, for the balance now due from them, for the further term of six months, they paying interest thereon.

CHAP. CXI.

*Resolve authorizing the Secretary to subscribe for 1000 Maps of the District of Maine. 27th January, 1816.*

The Committee of both Houses, to whom was referred the petition of Moses Greenleaf, praying the aid of the Commonwealth, in publishing a Map and Statistical View of the District of Maine, find that the petitioner has with much labor and expense, prepared a Map of Maine, which contains many great improvements and corrections upon former Maps; and that it is on the whole as correct a Map, as in the present situation of Maine can be made or is necessary, and one which will be of essential service to the Commonwealth. They further find, that the Statistical View of Maine contains much valuable information relative to that section of the country, which it is important that the citizens of this Commonwealth should generally possess. They, therefore, ask leave to report the following Resolve :

N. CLEVELAND, Per order.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Commonwealth be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to subscribe for and purchase for the use of the several towns, plantations and public offices in this Commonwealth, one thousand copies of said Map and Statistical View : *Provided* he can obtain the same at a price not exceeding three dollars for each copy of said Map, and seventy-five cents for each copy of said Statistical View—and when the same shall be received into his office, he is directed to lay his account before the Governor, who is hereby requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the payment thereof.

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CHAP. CXII.

*Resolve on the petition of a Committee of the Donation School in Hadley. 1st February, 1816.*

On the petition of a Committee of the Donation School in the town of Hadley, praying that leave may be given to sell

certain lands in Hadley and Northampton, and invest the proceeds in meadow land in said Hadley :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the Trustees of the Hadley Donation School in the town of Hadley, be, and they hereby are authorized to sell and convey, and to execute and deliver, a good and sufficient deed or deeds of all their right and title to a lot of land in Hadley, containing about one acre and three quarters, and another lot in Northampton, containing about six acres ; and to vest the proceeds of such sale in lands in the said town of Hadley, and to take good and sufficient deeds thereof, for the use of the said Hadley Donation School, which deeds, so executed, acknowledged and recorded, shall be deemed effectual in law to transfer the fee in said lands.

### CHAP. CXIII.

*Resolve providing for the payment of claims against the Commonwealth for military services liquidated by the late Board of War, and appointing an Agent to receive and adjust claims not yet considered.* 1st February, 1816.

Whereas there are sundry claims duly liquidated by the late Board of War, against the Commonwealth, in favor of corporations and individuals, amounting to the sum of two thousand four hundred and eighty-four dollars, and sixty-one cents, for the payment of which no provision is made by law ; and whereas there are sundry just claims against the Commonwealth for military services rendered and for supplies furnished during the late war with Great-Britain, which are unliquidated ; and it is requisite that some mode should be adopted to expedite the adjustment of those of the latter description, and to provide for the payment of all—

*Therefore resolved*, That his Excellency the Governor, with advice of Council, be requested to issue his warrant on the Treasury for the sum of two thousand four hundred eighty four dollars, and sixty-one cents, payable to the following corporations and individuals in full for the several claims allowed as aforesaid, viz.

To the town of Ashburnham, the sum of	-	-	\$20	62
To the town of Clinton,	-	-	248	20
To the town of Cornish,	-	-	18	80

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To the town of Chester, - - - - -	67 90
To the town of Porter, - - - - -	47 16
To the town of Townsend, - - - - -	23 60
To the proprietors of Noddle's Island, in Boston harbour, - - - - -	1020
To the proprietors of South Boston Bridge, - - - - -	118 53
To the proprietors of the Middlefield Free Stone Company, - - - - -	5

To Amasa Davis, Esq. Quarter-Master-General, for the use of Benjamin Clough, and ninety-two others, inhabitants of Massachusetts proper, whose names are contained in an abstract of sums due from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for military services rendered, as certified by the Secretary of the late Board of War, - - - - 179 49

To Alford Richardson, Esq. Major-General of the 12th Division of the Militia of this Commonwealth, for the use of Samuel Acley, and 163 others, whose names are contained in an abstract of sums due from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for military services rendered in the District of Maine, as certified by the late Secretary to the Board of War, - - - - 735 31

The whole making an aggregate of the sum,  
payable as aforesaid, of \$2484 61

And the said Alford Richardson shall cause notice to be given in two of the newspapers printed respectively in the town of Boston and town of Portland, that he is duly authorized to pay to the several persons, whose names are borne on the abstract aforesaid, the several sums to them respectively due, by publishing the said abstract with the sums against the names of the several persons borne thereon, as being to them severally due; and fixing the time and place for making such payments to such persons as are duly authorized to apply and receipt therefor. And the said Alford Richardson shall be entitled to receive the sum of thirty-five dollars, in full for all services which shall be rendered by virtue of this Resolve. And the said Quarter-Master-General is hereby directed to give notice to all persons, whose names are borne on the abstracts to him furnished, that he is ready to make payments of the several sums, to the persons

borne on the rolls to be furnished as aforesaid, by publishing the said abstracts, and fixing the time and place for making the payments aforesaid. And the said Alford Richardson, Major-General as aforesaid, shall take duplicate receipts of the several persons to whom they shall respectively make payment as aforesaid, one of which shall be furnished and delivered to the Agent hereby appointed. And the said Alford Richardson and Amasa Davis shall be held accountable for all monies by them respectively received.— And all monies remaining in either of their respective hands, unpaid, on the first day of June next, shall be returned into the Treasury of this Commonwealth.

*And be it further resolved*, That the Secretary and Treasurer of this Commonwealth be directed to deliver to the Agent, hereby appointed, all pay rolls, vouchers, accounts and papers, which remain in either of their respective offices, which in the opinion of said Agent will be necessary to elucidate, or to substantiate the claim of this Commonwealth against the United States, for expenses incurred during the late war, the said Agent leaving certified copies of all such papers as shall by the said Treasurer be considered as a necessary voucher for any sum of money which he has paid; and such copy, so certified, shall be considered and received as a sufficient voucher to the Treasurer, for any such payment.

*And be it further resolved*, That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is directed to pay over to the Quarter-Master-General of this Commonwealth, the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, which remains due on five pay rolls, as follows, viz.

Colonel Oliver Shead's field and staff roll,

Captain Thomas George's company roll,

Captain James Keene's company roll,

Captain T. M. Perry's company roll,

And the roll of the guard under Sergeant Abijah Gregory.

All which rolls the said Treasurer has heretofore been authorized to pay, and which is the balance remaining unpaid on five warrants, dated twenty-fifth May, first March, twenty-fifth May, twenty-fifth May, and twenty-eighth May, all in the year 1813. And the said Quarter-Master-General, and all other persons receiving money from the Treasury under this Resolve, shall give duplicate receipts therefor,

one of which shall be delivered to the Agent hereby appointed, as a voucher against the government of the United States.

*And be it further resolved,* That the Hon. Edward H. Robbins be, and he hereby is appointed and authorized to receive the unliquidated claims aforesaid, and make such liquidation thereof as may be conformable to the principles of settlement adopted by the late Board of War; and to add thereto the expenses that have been or may be incurred in carrying this Resolve and that of the fifteenth of June last into effect, and to make a report thereon from time to time to the present or the first session of the next General Court, to the end, that the same may be allowed and paid in the usual form, out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth.

*And be it further resolved,* That said Agent be, and he hereby is directed to cause an abstract to be made of the aggregate amount paid conformably to this, or any Resolve subsequent thereto—and to add the same to the account of this Commonwealth, made out against the United States, and deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth on the fifteenth of July last, together with the proper vouchers and documents to support the same, under his signature, and to employ the late Secretary of the Board of War for all services necessary to the accomplishment of the duties herein pointed out, and make him a reasonable compensation therefor. And the said Agent is hereby empowered to finish and perfect any act of duty that was commenced by the late Board of War, under their legal authority, and which may now remain incomplete and unexecuted.

*And be it further resolved,* That his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of Council, be, and he hereby is authorized and requested to employ any person, or persons, he may think proper, to present, at such time as he may deem expedient, the claims of this Commonwealth against the United States for military services rendered and supplies furnished and expenses incurred during the late war with Great Britain, to such authority as may be appointed by the United States' government to receive, examine and allow the same. And his Excellency may draw his warrant upon the Treasury, in favor of the person or persons so appointed, for a reasonable sum to meet the expenses attending that service, said person, or persons, appointed as aforesaid, being accountable for the same.

## CHAP. CXIV.

*Resolve granting Taxes for several counties.* 2d February, 1816.

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

*Resolved*, That the sums annexed to the several 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 Hancock, five thousand dollars	- -	\$5000 00
Lincoln, six thousand two hundred	}	6238 00
and thirty-eight dollars		
Somerset, two thousand dollars	- -	2000 00
Norfolk, five thousand dollars	- -	5000 00
Middlesex, nineteen thousand six	}	19600 00
hundred dollars		
Barnstable, one thousand one hun-	}	1100 00
dred dollars		
Kennebeck, six thousand dollars	- -	6000 00
Worcester, three thousand dollars	- -	3000 00
Washington, one thousand six hun-	}	1640 00
dred and forty dollars		
Cumberland, nine thousand dollars	- -	9000 00
Essex, seventeen thousand five	}	1750 00
hundred dollars		
Berkshire, fifteen thousand dollars	- -	15000 00
Oxford, four thousand dollars	- -	4000 00
Suffolk, twenty thousand dollars	- -	20000 00
Bristol, six thousand dollars	- -	6000 00



CHAP. CXV.

*Resolve on the petition of S. Spring, directing the Attorney General to institute an inquest of office for settling the title to surplus lands in Prescott's Grant and in Baldwin. 2d February, 1816.*

The Committee of both Houses, to whom was referred the petition of Seth Spring and others, praying for an inquest of office to investigate and settle the title to certain surplus lands purchased by them of the Commonwealth, in Prescott's Grants, (so called) and also in the town of Baldwin—respectfully report as follows :

W. P. WALKER, per order.

That Prescott's Grant has been surveyed by Lathrop Lewis, Esq. by order of the Legislature, and by his survey there has been found to be a surplus of about two hundred acres in said Grant, which has been also sold by order of the Legislature by the Land Agents ; that the said petitioners were the purchasers, and have paid for the same the sum of six hundred dollars—and they do not find that the proprietors of said Grant object to such sale ; They therefore are unanimously of opinion that said petitioners are entitled to the aid of the Legislature to obtain the possession of said surplus, the same being claimed by others. Your Committee further find, that the town of Baldwin has been surveyed by order of the Agents for the sale of Eastern lands, and that by such survey there was found to be a large surplus in said town, which has been sold by said Agents to said petitioners, but as this survey was ex parte, and the proprietors of Baldwin had no notice of the same, and there are evident errors in the same, your Committee are of opinion that the surplus in said town, if any, is not sufficiently ascertained to justify an inquest of office to be instituted against the proprietors, especially as the lines now claimed by them have been repeatedly recognized by the Legislature in various Acts and Resolves, and the whole town has been for more than thirty years allotted and divided among the proprietors ; they,

therefore, are of opinion that the prayer of said petitioner as to the surplus land in the town of Baldwin, ought not to be granted.—They beg leave to submit the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Attorney or Solicitor General be, and hereby is directed to institute an inquest of office or such other process in behalf of the Commonwealth, as he may think proper, to settle the title and revest the possession in the Commonwealth of the surplus lands in Prescott's Grant, in the town of Hiram, and county of Oxford.

## CHAP. CXVI.

*Resolve authorizing the discharge of Leonard Wheeler from prison in the county of Worcester. 2d February, 1816.*

On the petition of Leonard Wheeler, of Hardwick, in the county of Worcester, representing, that he is now confined in the common gaol in the county of Worcester, at the suit of the Commonwealth, upon an execution which issued on a judgment rendered against him in an action of scire facias upon a recognizance for his personal appearance to testify as a witness before the Supreme Judicial Court, holden at Worcester, within and for the county of Worcester, at the April term, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen—that he was prevented by sickness from attending said Court, and afterwards, and at the time of suing out the writ of scire facias against him, and of the judgment thereon, he was absent from the Commonwealth and deprived of the opportunity of defending against the action, or applying during its pendency to the Court, for a relief from the penalty of his said recognizance ;

*Resolved*, That the keeper of the Commonwealth's gaol, in the county of Worcester, be, and he hereby is authorized and directed forthwith to discharge from imprisonment the said Leonard Wheeler—*Provided, however*, that he stands committed for no other cause than the execution at the suit of the Commonwealth, as aforesaid.

CHAP. CXVII.

*Resolve authorizing the Governor to appoint Commissioners to ascertain the claims of Nathan Bourne, in the plantation of Marshpee. 3d February, 1816.*

On the petition of Nathan Bourne, of Sandwich, in the county of Barnstable,

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the Governor, with the advice of Council, be, and he is hereby authorized to appoint three disinterested men, as Commissioners, who, at the expense of said Bourne, the petitioner, shall repair to the plantation of Marshpee, in the county of Barnstable, and ascertain the claims, privileges, rights and easements of said Bourne, in said plantation, and set off and assign by metes and bounds such portion of property in said plantation as shall be deemed by them an equivalent for the claims and privileges, rights and easements possessed by said Bourne in the plantation aforesaid; and said Commissioners are hereby authorized to make and execute to said Bourne, his heirs and assigns, a good and sufficient deed of the lands so assigned as aforesaid; provided said Bourne shall execute a deed of quit claim of all his rights, easements and privileges possessed by himself, or derived to him from his ancestors in said plantation, which deeds shall be considered valid in law to complete the title in the premises; and the Commissioners aforesaid may likewise consider any claims said plantation may have against said Bourne.

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CHAP. CXVIII.

*Resolve on the petition of Lemuel Corbin, Guardian to the Dudley Indians. 3d February, 1816.*

On the petition of Lemuel Corbin, requesting to be discharged from his trust as one of the Guardians of the Dudley Indians, so called, and the said Indians praying that the said Lemuel Corbin and John Healy, their Guardians, may be discharged from said trust.

*Resolved*, That the said Lemuel Corbin, for reasons set

forth in his petition, and the said John Healy, on account of his living at such a distance from the Indian settlement, as renders it difficult for him to discharge the duties of his office, be, and hereby are discharged from said trust, from and after the first day of May next; and William Robinson be, and hereby is appointed Guardian to said Indians in the room of the said Lemuel Corbin and John Healy; and the said William Robinson is hereby vested with the full powers and authority, which have been heretofore vested in the Guardians of the Dudley Indians, and to be in the same manner accountable to this Court. The said William Robinson shall each and every year, in the month of May, exhibit and lay his accounts for articles delivered or services performed for said Dudley Indians before the Selectmen of the town of Dudley for the time being, whose duty it shall be to examine and certify their opinion on said accounts, whether the whole or what part thereof ought to be allowed; which account and certificate shall be presented to the Committee on Accounts for allowance, as other accounts are for services performed for the Commonwealth, any Law or Resolve to the contrary notwithstanding.

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## CHAP. CXIX.

*Resolve on the petition of the Selectmen of Plymouth, granting further time to locate a township of land.*  
3d February, 1816.

On the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Plymouth, for and in behalf of said town, praying for a further time to locate the last township of land granted them, on the 24th of February, A. D. 1808:

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that a further time of five years be, and hereby is allowed to the inhabitants of said town of Plymouth, to locate said township; and the Agents for the sale of Eastern lands are hereby directed to govern themselves accordingly, any thing in the said Resolve granting said Township to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CXX.

*Resolve on the petition of Solomon Smead, Esq. to refund him a bill of costs. 3d February, 1816.*

On the petition of Hon. Solomon Smead, Esq. praying that a bill of costs paid by him to the sheriff of the county of Franklin might be refunded to him,

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth to the said Smead, the sum of fourteen dollars and sixty-three cents, being the sum by him paid as aforesaid — and that his Excellency the Governor be requested to grant a warrant on the Treasury accordingly.

CHAP. CXXI.

*Resolve on the petition of Grosvenor Tarbell. making valid his affidavit. 5th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Grosvenor Tarbell, of Lincoln, in the county of Middlesex, Esq. Administrator of the estate of John Leary, late of Lincoln, in the county of Middlesex, mariner, deceased, intestate, praying that the affidavit by him made in the Probate Court in and for the county of Middlesex on the thirtieth day of January, A. D. 1816, of his proceedings relating to the sale of the whole of said deceased's real estate, and now recorded with a copy of each of the notifications of the time and place of said sale, in the Registry of Probate, in and for said county of Middlesex, may be declared admissible evidence of said sale and of his proceedings relating thereto, although not made within eighteen months after the day of said sale, as the law requires :

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition be granted, and that said affidavit, including a copy of each of said notifications and recorded as above mentioned, or an attested copy thereof, shall be admissible evidence of said sale, and of said Administrator's proceedings relative thereto, and that it shall be valid and have the same force and effect in law as if it had been made within eighteen months after the day of said sale, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CXXII.

*Resolve on the petition of Nathaniel Shaw, granting him \$50. 5th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Nathaniel Shaw, praying an allowance for being wounded while doing military duty :

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth unto Nathaniel Shaw, the sum of fifty dollars, on account of expenses and loss of time occasioned by a wound he received while doing military duty at a brigade muster, on the 27th of September last, and in full for the same.

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CHAP. CXXIII.

*Resolve allowing the President and Trustees of Williams' College, further time to locate a township of land granted them by a Resolve of February 20th, 1809. 5th February, 1816.*

On the petition of the President and Trustees of Williams' College, praying a further time to locate a tract or township of land granted them by a Resolve dated February 20th, 1809,

*Resolved*, That for reasons set forth in said petition, a further time of five years, from and after the passing of this Resolve, be, and hereby is allowed to said President and Trustees to locate said tract or township of land : And the Agents for the sale of Eastern lands are hereby directed to govern themselves accordingly, any thing in any Resolve to the contrary notwithstanding.

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CHAP. CXXIV.

*Resolve authorizing the Governor to appoint a Committee to contract with the Commissioners who are to explore a rout for a canal from Connecticut to Merrimack river. 5th February, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Council, be authorized to appoint three per-

sons in behalf of the Commonwealth, to make such contract as they shall think just and reasonable with the Commissioners appointed to explore and survey a rout for a water communication between Connecticut river and the Merrimack river, by virtue of a Resolve passed January 21st, 1816, for their services and expenses, so as to fix the amount of the same beforehand, as far as may be possible, and to settle and liquidate all accounts of said Commissioners and those persons employed by them in said survey.

### CHAP. CXXV.

*Resolve granting a pension to John Blaisdell.*  
5th February, 1816.

On the petition of John Blaisdell, 3d, praying an allowance for having been wounded when called out for the defence of Newburyport:

*Resolved,* That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto John Blaisdell, 3d, the sum of twenty-five dollars per year, for five years, in consequence of his having lost the use of his hand while doing duty in the detached militia.

### CHAP. CXXVI.

*Resolve on the petition of John Chamberlain and Albert Smith, Sureties of the late Treasurer Skinner.*  
5th February, 1816.

*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, Jun. of Dalton, in said county, whenever he the said John shall surrender himself to said gaol keeper, upon a bond given by him to the Commonwealth on the twenty-second day of June last, according to the provisions of a Resolve, passed on the fifteenth day of June last; provided he the said John 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 the warrant of dis-

treasury in favor of the Commonwealth, on which he has been heretofore committed, conditioned that he the said John Chamberlain, Jun. shall surrender himself to the keeper of said gaol on or before the first day of August 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 shall be otherwise legally discharged.

*And be it further resolved*, That the keeper of said gaol is hereby directed to receive the said John 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.

*And be it further resolved*, That the body of Albert Smith, one of the sureties of the late Treasurer Skinner, shall not be arrested on the warrant of distress in favor of the Commonwealth against him until the first day of August next.

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#### CHAP. CXXVII.

*Resolve granting Jane Baker sixty dollars.*  
5th February, 1816.

On the petition of Jane Baker, praying an allowance, in consequence of losing her husband while doing military duty at Bath, on the 12th September, A. D. 1814,

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, unto Jane Baker, widow of the late Daniel Baker, of Topsham, a Lieutenant in a company of cavalry, the sum of sixty dollars for funeral and other expenses, and an annuity of fifty dollars per year, for the term of four years, for the use of the said widow and her two children.

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#### CHAP. CXXVIII.

*Resolve on the petition of Ebenezer Breed, Jr. making valid his affidavit.* 5th February, 1816.

On the petition of Ebenezer Breed, Jr. of Charlestown,



in the county of Middlesex, merchant, Administrator on the estate of David Woodward, late of said Charlestown, mariner, deceased, intestate, stating that he, with one Abner Rogers, late of said Charlestown, deceased, took upon themselves that trust by giving bonds as the law requires, on the twenty-first day of September, 1813, and on the twenty-fifth day of December, 1813, posted notifications thereof in public places in said Charlestown, and printed a like notification three weeks successively, beginning on the eighth day of January, A. D. 1814, as directed by the Judge of Probate of said county; and on the thirteenth day of January, 1815, said Breed caused his affidavit of his proceedings and a true copy of one of said notifications to be recorded in the Probate Office in said county, but was unavoidably prevented from causing such affidavit with such copy of such notification to be recorded in said office within seven months as the law in such cases requires:

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that an attested copy of said Breed's affidavit, recorded as aforesaid, taken from the records of said Probate Office, shall be admitted in evidence in any court, as fully as if said affidavit had been recorded in said Probate Office within seven months from the time the said Breed and Rogers took upon themselves the said trust, any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

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## CHAP. CXXIX.

*Resolve on the petition of the Trustees of Belfast and Phillips Limerick Academies, granting them further time to complete settlements on lands granted them. 5th February, 1816.*

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that a further time of one year from the first day of June next be, and hereby is allowed to the Trustees of Belfast Academy, or their assigns, to complete the settlement of ten families on the half township granted them, and to the Trustees of Phillips Limerick Academy, or their assign, to complete the settlement of ten families on the grant of half a township of land made to them; *Provided*, that the Trustees of Belfast Academy, and the Trustees of Phillips Limerick Acad-

emy, shall severally, in their corporate capacity, cause bonds to be given to the Treasurer of this Commonwealth, with sufficient surety or sureties, to the satisfaction of the Agent for the sale of Eastern lands, for the sum of six hundred dollars each, conditioned that there shall be settled on each of their grants the number of settlers required by their deeds, within the time extended as aforesaid; or for the payment of thirty dollars for each family which shall then be deficient of the whole number aforesaid. Upon satisfaction of which bonds, given pursuant to this resolve, either by causing the said number of families to be settled on said grants within the time aforesaid, or by paying the sum of thirty dollars for each family which shall then be deficient, then the estate, right and title of said grantees shall be valid, full and effectual, to all intents and purposes, as if the conditions of settlement expressed in the original deeds of said grants, had been fully and seasonably complied with.

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#### CHAP. CXXX.

*Resolve on the petition of Edward Mitchell, Junior, allowing him the expenses of a suit for recovering Indian lands. 5th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Edward Mitchell, Junior, of Bridgewater, in the county of Plymouth, praying for allowance and remuneration, for his trouble and expenses incurred in defending an action of ejectment brought by one Sarah Dunbar against him to recover possession of certain Indian land, so called, in Bridgewater, over which he was appointed Guardian by the Legislature of this Commonwealth;

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth to said Edward Mitchell, Jun. the sum of one hundred and seventy-eight dollars and sixty-five cents in full compensation for expenses incurred by him, as mentioned in his said petition: And his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of Council, is hereby requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for said sum accordingly.

CHAP. CXXXI.

*Resolve directing the Quarter-Master-General to deliver hospital articles to the Board of Health in Boston.*

6th February, 1816.

On the petition of the Boston Board of Health,

*Resolved*, That the Quarter-Master-General be directed to deliver to the order of the said Board, the articles of bedding, medicines and hospital furniture, which were placed under his care, at the late disbanding of the troops of this Commonwealth, an inventory of the same to be delivered to the Physician of the said Board, who is to be accountable for the same.

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CHAP. CXXXII.

*Resolve on the petition of Thomas Williams, authorizing the Attorney or Solicitor-General to fix the bounds between land of the State and his lands in Roxbury.* 6th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That the Attorney or Solicitor-General is hereby appointed and authorized to ascertain and agree with the said Thomas Williams upon any line or lines (in dispute) between the Commonwealth's land lying in said Roxbury, and land of the said Williams, and establish suitable and durable monuments:—*Provided*, however, that in case he should not be able to agree with the said Williams where to erect said monuments, the said Attorney or Solicitor-General is further authorized to agree with the said Williams, to refer the subject to three suitable men to establish said monuments, and when established the said Attorney or Solicitor-General will procure an accurate description of said land, stating the courses, distances and monuments, and deposit the same in the office of the Quarter-Master-General: And the said Attorney or Solicitor-General is hereby authorized and required to make such agreements, contracts and covenants, and to execute and pass such deeds as shall be found necessary for establishing the boundaries to the perfecting the title of the Commonwealth in their land and premises aforesaid.

CHAP. CXXXIII.

*Resolve directing the Committee on Accounts not to receive accounts after certain times. 6th February 1816.*

*Resolved*, That the Committee that may hereafter be appointed to examine and allow accounts against the Commonwealth, are hereby directed to receive no accounts for examination and allowance after the second Wednesday of each May session, and the fourth Wednesday of each winter session of the Legislature of each succeeding year : *Provided however*, That said Committee are to consider the accounts of the Messengers to the Governor and Council, and to the two Houses, and their assistants, also the accounts of the printers within the town of Boston, as not coming within said limitation.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary cause the foregoing resolve to be published in so many of the newspapers, as he shall judge necessary to give it general publicity ; and a reasonable allowance to be made for publishing, by the Committee on accounts.

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CHAP. CXXXIV.

*Resolve authorizing the Quarter-Master-General to sell the Powder House in Charlestown, and erect another Magazine. 6th February, 1816.*

Whereas the Powder Magazine situated in Charlestown, in the County of Middlesex, is insufficient and unsafe, not having been constructed originally for the purpose of keeping powder,

*Therefore, resolved*, That the Quarter-Master-General be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered, under the direction of his Excellency the Governor, to sell and dispose of the said Powder House and the land whereon the same stands, and any lands adjoining the same, or of whatever rights or interest the Commonwealth may have in and to the same, and account with the Treasurer of the Commonwealth for the proceeds of such sales—and, further, to purchase, for the use of the Commonwealth, a suitable plat of

ground, either in Charlestown aforesaid, or in the town of Cambridge, in said county, and cause to be erected thereon, a sufficient and secure Magazine, for the safe deposit and keeping of the powder belonging to the Commonwealth, and of such quantities of powder imported, landed or brought into the town of Boston, which by law is to be kept in a public Magazine, and which it may be convenient to deposit in said Magazine. And his Excellency the Governor, by and with advice and consent of Council, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue his warrant to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, for such sum or sums of money as may be necessary to carry the foregoing resolve into effect.

*And be it further resolved,* That his Excellency the Governor and Council, be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to appoint a keeper or keepers of the said Magazine, under such rules and regulations as they may think fit to prescribe.

*And be it further resolved,* That the Quarter-Master be and he hereby is authorized to remove from the present powder Magazine, all the powder therein, as soon as another suitable Magazine shall be provided.

#### CHAP. CXXXV.

*Resolve granting Richard Young 40 acres of Land.*  
6th February, 1816.

Whereas, on the petition of Richard Young, of Sanford, in the county of York, a resolve was passed, on the twenty-third of February, A. D. 1814, authorizing the Agents for the sale of Eastern lands to convey to said Young, a certain tract of land, containing forty acres, more or less, within the bounds mentioned in said resolve. And whereas it appears by an actual survey, that there are upwards of one hundred acres within said bounds,

*Therefore resolved,* That the following tract of land, containing forty acres and twenty-three rods, and bounded as follows, to wit—beginning at a pond by land of the Commonwealth, thence north east one hundred and sixty-two rods to Shapleigh line; thence east on said line sixty-two rods to a stake; thence south east one hundred and fifty-nine rods to the pond; thence by the pond to the place of beginning; not

to include any right or claim of any other person, be granted to the said Richard Young, his heirs and assigns forever.

*And be it further Resolved*, That the Hon. John Holmes be authorized to sell and convey the residue of the land belonging to the Commonwealth adjoining said grant to said Young, and to return the proceeds thereof with an account of his doings to the Treasurer of this Commonwealth, as soon as may be.

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#### CHAP. CXXXVI.

*Resolve authorizing the Agent on Eastern Lands and a Committee of Council, to determine the allowance which should be made towards discharging the bond of John Richards and others.* 6th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That the Agent for the sale of Eastern Lands, together with any Committee of Council, to be appointed in virtue of a resolve of the Legislature, passed the ninth day of June, A. D. 1814, be, and hereby are authorized to ascertain and determine, from time to time, the allowance which ought to be made towards discharging the condition of the bonds given by John Richards and others to this Commonwealth, pursuant to a resolvé passed on the 10th day of June, 1813, for settlers placed on the lands mentioned in said bond, conformably to the condition thereof, and the certificate of said Agent and Committee shall be sufficient evidence to authorize the Treasurer to endorse such allowance upon said bonds towards discharging the same.

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#### CHAP. CXXXVII.

*Resolve discharging the Quarter-Master-General, of monies expended in his department, and for paying the balance of his account.* 6th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That Amasa Davis, Esq. Quarter-Master-General, be, and he hereby is discharged from the sum of ten thousand dollars, being the sum he has received the year past, by warrants on the Treasurer.

*Resolved*, That the sum of three thousand five hundred and eighty-nine dollars and twenty-two cents be paid to the said Amasa Davis, Esq. from the Treasury of this Commonwealth, as the balance of his account for money expended in his department the year past, including seventeen hundred dollars for his salary for one year ending on the seventeenth day of January, A. D. 1816.

*Resolved*, That the sum of twelve thousand dollars be paid to the Quarter-Master-General from the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to meet the expenses of his department the ensuing year, for the application of which said Quarter-Master-General is to be accountable, and his Excellency the Governor is requested to issue his warrant on the Treasury for the amount, in such sums and at such periods, as his Excellency, with the advice of Council may deem expedient for the public service.

#### CHAP. CXXXVIII.

*Resolve authorizing Azubah R. Stacy and others to execute a deed to Rufus Scott. 6th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Azubah R. Stacy and others, praying that the Administrators on the estate of Gilbert Stacy, late of Gill, in the county of Franklin, deceased, may be empowered on their part, to execute a deed of twenty-seven acres of land in Gill, which the said Gilbert, in his lifetime, contracted to do by an instrument not under seal, but was prevented by death.

*Therefore resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that Rufus Stratton and Azubah R. Stacy, Administrators on the estate of Gilbert Stacy, Esq. be, and they hereby are empowered to execute a good and sufficient deed of conveyance to Rufus Scott, of Gill, of twenty-seven acres of land in Gill, aforesaid ; bounded north on the road leading from Gill meeting-house to Greenfield ; west on land of Samuel Pierce ; north on land of Daniel Temple ; east on land of Jeremiah Ballard, containing twenty-seven acres ; agreeable to a contract entered into by the said Gilbert Stacy in his lifetime : And the said deed, so made and executed, shall be good and valid in law, to convey all the right and interest which the heirs at law of said Gilbert may have in said

land, as fully as if the said deed had been executed by the said Gilbert in his lifetime.

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### CHAP. CXXXIX.

*Resolve authorizing R. Stratton and Azubah R. Stacy to execute a deed to Samuel Janes. 7th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Samuel Janes, praying that the Administrators of the estate of Gilbert Stacy, late of Gill, in the county of Franklin, deceased, may be empowered to execute a deed of thirty acres of land in Gill, which the said Gilbert, in his lifetime contracted to do, by instrument not under seal, but was prevented by death :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that Rufus Stratton and Azubah R. Stacy, Administrators of the estate of Gilbert Stacy, Esq. be, and they are hereby empowered to execute a good and sufficient deed of conveyance to Samuel Janes, of Gill, of thirty acres of land in Gill, aforesaid, agreeable to a contract entered into by the said Gilbert Stacy, in his lifetime ; and the said deed, so made and executed, shall be good and valid in law to convey all the right and interest, which the heirs at law of the said Gilbert may have in said land, as fully as if the said deed had been executed by the said Gilbert in his lifetime.

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### CHAP. CXL.

*Resolve on the petition of Rebecca Jennison and Silas Brooks, Administrators on the estate of Samuel Jennison. 7th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Rebecca Jennison and Silas Brooks, both of Worcester, in the county of Worcester, Administrators, with the will annexed, on the estate of Samuel Jennison, late of said Worcester, deceased, representing that the said Samuel Jennison, in his lifetime, and on the fifth day of November, A. D. 1811, made and executed an absolute deed of conveyance, of about one hundred and forty acres of land, lying within the towns of Worcester and Shrewsbury, in the



county of Worcester, with the buildings thereon ; and particularly described in said deed, to David Curtis and Nathaniel Curtis, both of the same Worcester, for their security and indemnity from a certain bond, which they, on the same day, made and executed jointly with the said Samuel Jennison and one William Caldwell, to Daniel Waldo, Esq. for the payment of the sum of three thousand dollars and interest, the proper debt of the said Samuel Jennison and William Caldwell, and on and for no other consideration ; that the said David Curtis and Nathaniel Curtis were to have executed to said Jennison, an obligation for the reconveyance of said estate, upon the payment by him and said Caldwell, of the bond aforesaid ; that the said Nathaniel Curtis has executed, on his part, such obligation ; but the said David Curtis is prevented therefrom by death, and has left only heirs, who are minors, incompetent by law to the execution of any contract ; and praying that the Hon. Benjamin Heywood, Esq. Administrator on the estate of said David Curtis, may be authorized and empowered, whenever said estate shall be exonerated and indemnified for said bond, to execute a quit claim deed for the benefit of the estate of said Jennison, of all the right which by the deed first aforesaid, the said David Curtis had in the estate described therein ; and the said Administrator on said David Curtis' estate, the Guardian of all the minor children, and the widow of said David Curtis, having certified their assent to the truth of said representation and to the prayer of the said petition :

*Therefore be it resolved,* That Benjamin Heywood, Esq. Administrator on the estate of the aforesaid David Curtis, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, whenever the estate of said Curtis shall be wholly exonerated and indemnified from the bond aforementioned, and from all damage and cost thereby, to make and execute to the said Rebecca Jennison and Silas Brooks, Administrators on the estate of the aforesaid Samuel Jennison, deceased, for the benefit of said estate, and the heirs, devisees or legatees of said Samuel Jennison, a deed of quit claim of all the right title and interest, which the said David Curtis or his legal representatives had, or may now have, in the estate conveyed to him and the said Nathaniel Curtis by the deed of the said Samuel Jennison aforesaid ; which said deed of quit claim, when executed by the said Benjamin Heywood, to the said Rebecca Jennison and Silas Brooks, Administrators as aforesaid, shall have the

same effect and no other, as though the said estate had been originally mortgaged to the said David Curtis, and redeemed by the said Rebecca Jennison and Silas Brooks, in the due course of their administration on the estate of said Samuel Jennison.

# CHAP. CXLI.

*Resolve on the petition of Selah Chapin, jun. authorizing Caleb Goodwin to execute a deed. 7th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Selah Chapin, jun. of Leyden, in the county of Franklin, stating, that Selah Chapin, the father of the petitioner, on the twenty-third day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, conveyed two certain pieces or parcels of land lying in Leyden, aforesaid, containing about sixty-four acres, to Aaron Olmstead, of East Hartford, in the county of Hartford, and State of Connecticut, to secure the payment of a certain sum of money then due from the said Selah, the father of the said Aaron; and that the said Aaron at the same time executed a certain writing to the said Selah, promising to reconvey said land upon payment of the money; that the said Selah, the father, afterwards assigned all his right in said land to the petitioner, who hath paid to the Executor of the last will and testament of the said Olmstead, all the money which is due from said Selah, and praying that Caleb Goodwin, of said Hartford, may be authorized and empowered to release all the right which the said Aaron Olmstead acquired by virtue of the deed aforesaid:

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that Caleb Goodwin, of the city and county of Hartford, and state of Connecticut, Executor of the last will and testament of Aaron Olmstead, late of East Hartford, deceased, be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to make and execute to Selah Chapin, jun. of Leyden, in the county of Franklin, a good and sufficient deed of release of all the right, title and interest, which the said Aaron acquired to two certain pieces of land, lying in Leyden, aforesaid, containing about sixty-four acres, under and by virtue of a certain deed from Selah Chapin, to the said Aaron, bearing date the twen-

ty-third day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine; which deed, so made and executed by the said Caleb, shall be good and valid in law to convey all the right and interest which the heirs at law of the said Olmstead, or any other person, may have in said lands, as fully as if the said deed of release had been executed by the said Olmstead in his lifetime.

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### CHAP. CXLII.

*Resolve authorizing Stephen Codman to execute a deed of land in Monmouth. 8th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Stephen Codman, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, Executor of the last will and testament of John Codman, late of said Boston, Esquire, deceased, praying that he may be authorized by the Legislature, to convey by deed, to James F. Norris, Adnai Loomis, John Safford and Gilman Thurston, the right and title of the said John Codman to a tract of land in the town of Monmouth, in the county of Kennebeck, agreeable to a contract for that purpose entered into by the said John Codman, in his lifetime, with the said Norris, Loomis, Safford and Thurston, dated the first day of February, A. D. 1802:

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that the said Stephen Codman, Executor, as aforesaid, be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver a good and sufficient deed to the said Norris, Loomis, Safford and Thurston, or to any or either of them, for the conveyance in fee simple, of all the right and title, which the said John Codman had, at his decease, in and to a certain tract of land, situated in the town of Monmouth, in the county of Kennebeck, being the three hundred acre lot, which the said John Codman purchased of Henry Dearborn, as by his deed, dated August 28th, 1789, and recorded in the county of Lincoln, lib. 23, folio 153, will more fully appear, and that such deed of conveyance shall have the same force and effect, as if made by the said John in his lifetime, in pursuance of said contract.

CHAP. CXLIII.

*Resolves on the petitions of the towns of Lynn, Georgetown and Canaan, abating their taxes. 8th February, 1816.*

On the several petitions of the towns of Lynn, Georgetown and Canaan :

Whereas it has been mutually agreed between the towns of Lynn and Saugus, that one fourth part of the tax assessed upon the town of Lynn for the last year, ought to be paid by the town of Saugus :

*Therefore resolved,* That the sum of two hundred thirty one dollars, thirty-three cents, being one fourth part of the tax assessed upon the town of Lynn the last year be deducted from the just apportionment of the tax for the present year, to be assessed upon the town of Lynn, and that the aforesaid sum of two hundred thirty-one dollars, thirty-three cents be added to the just apportionment of the tax for the present year, to be assessed upon the town of Saugus.

And whereas the sum of one hundred sixteen dollars, thirty-two cents more than their just proportion of the tax for the last year was assessed upon the town of Georgetown, which ought to have been assessed upon the town of Phippsburg :

*Therefore resolved,* That the sum of one hundred sixteen dollars, thirty-two cents be deducted from the just apportionment of the tax for the present year to be assessed upon the town of Georgetown, and added to the tax to be assessed on the town of Phippsburg.

And whereas the sum of forty-three dollars, sixty-one cents more than their just proportion of the tax for the last year was assessed upon the town of Canaan, which ought to have been assessed upon the town of Bloomfield ;

*Therefore resolved,* That the sum of forty-three dollars, sixty-one cents be deducted from the just apportionment of the tax for the present year, to be assessed upon the town of Canaan and added to the sum to be assessed upon the town of Bloomfield.

## CHAP. CXLIV

*Resolve granting Gideon Beaman sixty dollars for expenses in arresting and prosecuting Reuben Blackman.*  
8th February, 1816.

On the petition of Gideon Beaman, of Princetown, in the county of Worcester, representing that in the year 1813, Reuben Blackman was apprehended upon the complaint of said petition, for passing counterfeit Bank Bills of the State of New-York ; that the said Reuben, was examined before a Justice of the Peace, and ordered to recognise for his appearance before the Supreme Judicial Court, for the county of Hampshire ; that at the September term of the said Court, in 1813, a bill of indictment was found against the said Blackman, and at his motion was continued to the next April term for trial, when the said Blackman neglected to appear, and forfeited his recognisance ; that the sureties of the said Blackman have already paid to the Commonwealth seven hundred dollars, and judgment is rendered against one of them for three hundred dollars more ; that the petitioner was put to great trouble and expense in prosecuting the said Blackman, besides the total loss of the money which he received of said Blackman, and praying for some remuneration in this behalf :

*Therefore resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth unto Gideon Beaman, of Princetown, in the county of Worcester, the sum of sixty dollars for his trouble and expences in arresting and prosecuting Reuben Blackman for the crime of passing Counterfeit Bank Bills.

## CHAP. CXLV.

*Resolve granting taxes for the counties of York, Hampden, and Hampshire.* 8th February, 1816.

Whereas the Treasurers of the following named counties have laid their accounts before the Legislature, which accounts have been examined and allowed ; and whereas the

Clerks of the Courts of Sessions for said counties have exhibited estimates, made by said Courts, of the necessary charges which may arise within the several counties for the year ensuing ; and of the sums necessary to discharge the debts of the said counties,

*Resolved*, That the sums annexed to the names of the several 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 York, five thousand five hundred dollars,	\$5500
Hampden, seven thousand dollars,	7000
Hampshire, three thousand five hundred dollars,	3500

## CHAP. CXLVI.

*Resolve granting a tax for the county of Franklin.*  
8th February, 1816.

On the representation of the Committee on county estimates, stating, that the estimate for the county taxes for the county of Franklin, are not accompanied with the Treasurer's account for said county, and as great inconvenience may arise if no taxes are authorized for the present year ;

*Resolved*, That the estimate made by the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the county of Franklin, in September, 1815, and amounting to three thousand two hundred dollars, for the present year, be, and is hereby granted as a tax for said county ; the said sum to be apportioned, assessed, paid, collected, and applied for the purposes aforesaid, according to law.

*And be it further resolved*, That the Treasurer of said county be, and hereby is required and directed to present his accounts to the General Court at their next session.

## CHAP. CXLVII.

*Resolve for the payment of claims allowed at the War Office,  
8th February, 1816.*

Schedule of claims against the Commonwealth, of Massachusetts, allowed at the War-Office, February 8th, 1816.

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9	Town of Sanford, supplies and transportation,	25 25
10	George Bird and James Witherell's account carting stone to Savin Hill,	10
11	Town of Newfield, supplies and transportation,	24 10
12	Joshua Damon, barrack hire, Wiscasset, (orders)	5
13	Benjamin Eells, paymaster, second regiment, first brigade, tenth division,	29 73
14	John Smith, nursing a sick soldier, &c.	5 67
15	John Deluce, rent of buildings for quarters for troops,	32 67
16	James Kirby, work on guard-house in Cushing,	6
17	Henry Smith, jun. for ferriage	22 50
18	Margaret Whitmore, use and damage of land at Gloucester,	50
19	Captain Thomas Swift's company pay roll, first regiment, third brigade, fifth division,	294

20 Captain Obed B. Nye, for the four following  
pay rolls :

In the first regiment, third brig-  
ade, fifth division, viz :

Captain Obed B. Nye,	588 49	}	1275 61
Lieutenant Edward Nye,	85 70		
Lieutenant Nathan B Gibbs,	280 44		
Captain Benjamin Hamlin,	320 98		
No. 21 Allowed to Thomas Fish, Jun. for the nine following pay rolls, amounting to			1712 27
For Lieutenant-Colonel Nye's field and staff roll, first regiment, third brigade, fifth division,			418 76
For Lieutenant James Fish, jun. pay roll, Captain Parker's company, same regiment, October 7th to 15th			274 95
For Captain Parker's company pay roll, same regi- ment,			121
For Lieutenant J. Fish, junior's pay roll, same regiment, October 3d to 7th,			95 41
For Captain Seth Hamlin's company pay roll, same regiment,			712 50
For Captain W. Jenkins' company pay roll, Artil- lery, third brigade, fifth division, October 7th to 15th, 1814,			175 01
For same Company, June 13th to 18th, 1814,			81 73
Same Company, January 28th to 31st, 1814,			63 20
Same Company, October 3d to 7th, 1814,			69 71

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No. 22 Allowed Nathaniel Jenkins for  
the use of the widow of late Sargeant-  
Major Prince Jenkins, first regiment,  
third brigade, fifth division, deceased, 5 60

Also for an omission in an account alrea-  
dy settled with said Nathaniel Jen-  
kins, Major first regiment, third bri-  
gade, fifth division, 4 33

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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives  
in General Court assembled.*

The Undersigned respectfully reports, that by virtue of a Resolve, passed the first instant, he has received unadjusted claims against the Commonwealth from the Corporations, and persons stated in the annexed schedule, and liquidated the same at the sums set against their respective names, which when paid, will be in full for their several exhibits. All which is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD H. ROBBINS.

The Committee of both Houses to whom the foregoing account and report were referred, have considered the same, and recommend the passing of the following resolve.

LATHROP LEWIS, Chairman.

*Resolved*, That his Excellency the Governor, with advice of Council, be requested to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for the sum of four thousand two hundred and nineteen dollars and ninety-eight cents, payable to the foregoing Corporations and individuals, in full for their several claims allowed as aforesaid.

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#### CHAP. CXLVIII.

*Resolve appointing a Committee to revise the Probate Laws.*  
9th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That the Hon. Thomas Dawes, Daniel A. White and John Pickering, Esqs. be a Committee to revise the Laws of this Commonwealth, relating to Judges and Courts of Probate, and proceedings in said Courts ; and also the Laws relating to the appointment and duties of Executors, Administrators and Guardians ; and to make report at the first session of the next Legislature.

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#### CHAP. CXLIX.

*Resolve authorizing the Solicitor General to sell estate late of B. Bidwell, taken on execution in favor of the Commonwealth.* 9th February, 1816.

Upon the representation of the Solicitor General, stating,

that in May, A. D. 1814, an execution in favor of the Commonwealth was levied upon the real estate of the late Attorney-General, Barnabas Bidwell, and his house and land adjoining, situate in Stockbridge, was bid off by the agent at auction for the benefit of the Commonwealth, and a deed taken of it from the Sheriff in the name of the government; that the time of redemption has expired, and the estate is now the absolute property of the Commonwealth, which is in the possession of a tenant; that the estate will produce, upon a fair sale, more than the sum at which it was bid off for the government; and that it would be for the interest of the Commonwealth to have the same sold and the proceeds thereof placed in the Treasury;

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said representation, that the Solicitor General, Daniel Davis, Esq. be, and he hereby is appointed an Agent and authorized and empowered to make sale of the said estate, the property of the Commonwealth as aforesaid, and to make and execute, in behalf of the Commonwealth, such deed or deeds as may be necessary to convey the same. And the said Agent shall place the proceeds of said sale, and an account of his proceedings in the Treasury of the Commonwealth: *Provided however*, that no sale of said estate shall be made unless the same shall produce as much as the sum for which it was bid off for the government.

*Resolved*, That the said Agent be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to settle with the tenant in possession of the said estate, and receive the rents now due, or which hereafter may be due, and to lease the said estate until a sale thereof be effected, and the money arising therefrom also to place in the Treasury.

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## CHAP. CL.

*Resolve granting \$50 to Lemuel Weeks, for services at Portland.* 9th February, 1816.

On the petition of Lemuel Weeks, praying compensation for services performed in taking care of ordnance and public works at Portland,

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Common-

wealth, to Lemuel Weeks, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, in full of his services as Agent to said Commonwealth, in taking care of the ordnance deposited at Portland, and the superintendence of fort Burrows, the barracks and works and munitions of war deposited there, up to the fifteenth day of June last past.

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### CHAP. CLI.

*Resolve authorizing Peter C. Brooks to sell and convey certain real estate. 10th February, 1816.*

On the representation of John Hubbard, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, father of Joseph Snow Hubbard and Thomas Tuttle Hubbard, minors, under the age of fourteen years, and of Peter C. Brooks, of said Boston, Guardian to said minors, for reasons set forth in their several petitions ;

*Resolved*, That the Hon. Peter C. Brooks, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, Guardian to Joseph Snow Hubbard and Thomas Tuttle Hubbard, children of John Hubbard, of said Boston, gentleman, under the age of fourteen years, be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered, by and with the consent of the said John, to bargain, sell and convey, at public or private sale, at his discretion, all or any part of the real estate of which said minors are or may be seized in virtue of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Partridge, late of Brookline, in the county of Norfolk, widow ; said Guardian first giving bonds with sufficient sureties to the Judge of Probate for the county of Norfolk, to invest and dispose of the proceeds of such sales, and any other estate that may come to his possession, as Guardian to said minors, at interest, at his discretion ; said interest or the income arising from such proceeds to be paid annually or oftener if received, to the said John Hubbard during his natural life, and the principal of all such investments to be transferred and paid over to them, the said Joseph Snow Hubbard and Thomas Tuttle Hubbard, upon the decease of said John Hubbard, if they shall then be of full age, and if not, when they shall arrive at full age, or in case of their decease, to their legal representatives, deducting from such payments, such commissions as said Judge of Probate shall from time

to time decree said Guardian for his services, and by said Judge to be apportioned on said John and said minors.

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### CHAP. CLII.

*Resolve authorizing Joseph Locke to apply monies to the payment of Joseph Hill's debts. 10th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Joseph Locke, Guardian to Joseph Hill, a minor, praying that he may be authorized to pay and apply the sum of six hundred and thirty dollars of money belonging to said minor, to discharge so much of the debts due from the estate of Joseph Hill, deceased :

*Resolved,* For reasons stated in said petition, that the said Joseph Locke, Guardian as aforesaid, be, and he hereby is authorized to apply the sum aforesaid, when he shall have the same in his hands, towards the payment of the debts due from the estate of the said Joseph Hill, deceased ; and upon his producing satisfactory evidence thereof to the Judge of Probate for said county of Middlesex, the said Judge is hereby authorized and required to allow the same to the said Locke in the settlement of his Guardianship account.

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### CHAP. CLIII.

*Resolve granting Nathan Nason, \$133 02, for expenses in an action of ejectment by the Commonwealth. 10th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Nathan Nason, praying to be reimbursed for money paid the Commonwealth, for bills of costs in an action of ejectment brought against him by said Commonwealth, for land which did not belong to the Commonwealth ;

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the said Nathan Nason, the sum of one hundred and thirty-three dollars and two cents, in full consideration for all monies paid by him as aforesaid.

# CHAP. CLIV.

*Resolve confirming to Dorcas Hill her dower.*

10th February, 1816.

On the petition of Dorcas Hill, praying that the assignment of her dower, in the estate of her late husband, Joseph Hill, may be confirmed :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the report of the Commissioners appointed by the Judge of Probate to set off and assign to the said Dorcas, her dower in the estate of her said deceased husband, dated on the fourth day of May, A. D. 1811, and the decree of the said Judge of Probate accepting thereof, dated on the sixteenth day of said May, be, and the same are hereby rendered as valid and firm to all intents and purposes, against the heirs of said Joseph Hill, deceased, and all persons claiming under them, as though the premises had not been under mortgage at the time of the said Joseph's decease.

# CHAP. CLV.

*Resolve granting further time to perform settlement duties on lands granted to Groton Academy.*

10th February, 1816.

On the petition of Nathaniel Ingersol, for himself, and John Hodgdon, praying further time to settle the grants made to Groton and Westford Academies.

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that a further time of one year, from the first day of June next, be, and hereby is allowed to the said Nathaniel Ingersol and John Hodgdon, their heirs or assigns, to perform the settling duties required by the deeds of said grant. And if the said Nathaniel Ingersol and John Hodgdon, proprietors of said grants, their heirs or assigns, shall settle upon each of said half townships the number of ten families within the said time, that then the estate, right and title thereto respectively shall be as valid, full and effectual to all intents and purposes, as if the said conditions of settlement had been seasonably complied with: *Provided, nevertheless,*

that the said Nathaniel Ingersol and John Hodgdon shall, on or before the first day of June next, respectively, give bonds to the Commonwealth in the sum of six hundred dollars for each of said grants, with sufficient surety or sureties, to the satisfaction of the Agent for the sale of Eastern lands, conditioned that there shall be settled on each of said half townships the full number of families expressed in the original deed, within the aforesaid term, or pay to the Commonwealth thirty dollars for each family that shall then be deficient from the whole number.

*And be it further resolved,* That the Treasurer of the Commonwealth is hereby authorized, upon receiving the bonds as above specified, to cancel the bonds, signed by John Hodgdon and Nathaniel Ingersol, which are now lodged in the Treasury-Office.

## CHAP. CLVI.

*Resolve granting the Settlers in Bristol, &c. further time to pay for their lands. 10th February, 1816.*

On the petition of the Selectmen and others, inhabitants of the towns of Bristol, Edgecomb, Newcastle, Nobleborough, Waldoborough, Jefferson and Boothbay, praying further time to pay for their lands to the Commissioners appointed to receive the same:

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that a further time be, and hereby is allowed to the Settlers who have not yet been quieted, of one year, from the passing of this resolve, to make payment for their lands therein mentioned, and the powers and duties of the Commissioners appointed under a resolve passed the twenty-fifth of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, are prolonged, and they may make such deeds to said Settlers, as in said last mentioned resolve authorized, until the expiration of one year, from the date of this resolve, upon payment by the Settlers of such sums, as by the terms of said resolve may be due with interest till paid. And it shall be the duty of said Commissioners to make their final return, in said resolve required, to the first Session of the General Court holden in May, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen; but

no person shall be considered a Settler under said resolve by reason of a settlement originating after the passing thereof.

## CHAP. CLVII.

*Resolve on the petitions of sundry towns and individuals in the District of Maine, praying for a separation of that District from the other part of this State.*

10th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Selectmen of the several towns and districts, and of the Assessors of the several plantations within the District of Maine to issue their warrants, requiring the inhabitants of said towns, districts and plantations, respectively, who are qualified to vote in the choice of Senators in the General Court, to assemble on Monday, the twentieth day of May next, and give in their written votes on the following question, to wit: "Shall the Legislature be requested to give its consent to the separation of the District of Maine from Massachusetts proper, and to the erection of said District into a separate State?"—And it shall be the duty of said Selectmen and Assessors to receive and certify the whole number of votes given in at said meetings, respectively, by the voters qualified as aforesaid, for and against such separation, together with the whole number of qualified voters in such town, district or plantation. And it shall also be the duty of said Selectmen and Assessors, respectively, in the said meetings, to make public declaration of the number of votes given in as aforesaid, and to attest, seal up and transmit certificates of the same to the Secretary's office, on or before the second Wednesday of the first session of the next General Court. And the Secretary is hereby directed to forward, as soon as may be, a copy of this resolve to the Selectmen of the several towns and districts," and the Assessors of the several plantations, in the said District of Maine.

CHAP. CLVIII.

*Resolve, allowing fifty dollars for the Gentleman who may preach the election sermon. 10th February, 1816.*

*Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, annually, the sum of fifty dollars to the Gentleman who shall preach the Election Sermon on the day of General Election in May.*

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CHAP. CLIX.

*Resolve authorizing the Congregational Churches in the County of Barnstable to sell their Shares in certain real estate. 12th February, 1816.*

Whereas it appears that the several Congregational Churches in the county of Barnstable, are tenants in common of certain real estate, situate in said county, and devised to them in and by the last will and testament of Doctor Abner Hersey, late of the town of Barnstable, in said county, deceased;—And whereas it also appears that the management of said real estate in common is attended with great inconvenience and expense, and that the same has heretofore been managed in an unproductive manner;

*Therefore resolved, That the several Congregational Churches in the county of Barnstable aforesaid, and each of them be, and they hereby are authorized to sell and convey, and by their respective Agents or Committee appointed for that purpose, to execute deeds to sell and convey their respective shares and interest in said real estate, as soon as may be; and upon such sale of any or all of said shares being made, to put the proceeds thereof at interest, upon good security in the most advantageous manner, and to apply the annual interest and income thereof to the pious and charitable purposes mentioned by the Testator in his last will and testament aforesaid.*

*And be it further resolved, That the said several Churches and each of them be, and they hereby are authorized to make any agreement or compromise, which they may think proper in the premises with the heirs at law of the said Tes-*



tator, as well touching the said sale, as the application of the proceeds thereof.

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### CHAP. CLX.

*Resolve directing the Treasurer to pay seven hundred dollars to the Clerk of the Supreme Court in Middlesex county, for the use of James Martin. 12th Feb. 1816.*

On the petition of Jesse Parker in the county of Middlesex, Administrator of the estate of Winslow Parker, late of said Groton, deceased, it appearing that this Commonwealth, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1784, by deed of that date, of their Committee, fully authorized, for a valuable consideration, paid by said Winslow to the use of the Commonwealth, sold and conveyed with warranty against the claims of all persons, a certain messuage and three several tracts of land in said Groton, to hold, to him, his heirs and assigns forever: It also appearing that James Martin, Esquire, of the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, at the Supreme Judicial Court of said Commonwealth, holden at Cambridge in and for the county of Middlesex, on the last Tuesday of October last, recovered judgment for one undivided moiety of the premises, with the costs of the suit, against the said Jesse and Jonas Longley Parker, Winslow Parker, Libni Parker, Dan Parker, Nathaniel Parker, Job Parker, Harriot Parker, Nabby Parker, Clark Parker, Anna Parker and Sabrina Parker, children and heirs of the said Winslow, deceased, and tenants of the premises, and that the Jury estimated the value of said moiety of the premises, without the improvements, at seven hundred dollars; and that the said Martin, then and there in due form of law abandoned the said premises to the said tenants;

*Therefore resolved*, That the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be, and he is hereby directed, by warrant from his Excellency the Governor, immediately to pay over into the hands of the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Middlesex, the sum of seven hundred dollars, with interest thereof, from and after the first day of December last, for the use of said Martin, together with the costs of his said suit, to be taxed by the said Clerk, and to file with the said Clerk an attested copy of this resolve; and the said

Martin is to be deemed to be thenceforth forever barred and precluded from the premises, and every part and parcel thereof.

*And be it further resolved*, That the said Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, by warrant from his Excellency the Governor, immediately to pay over into the hands of said Jesse Parker, the sum of one hundred dollars, to be taken in full compensation for the claims of said tenants upon the Commonwealth for their costs and charges about the defence of said suit.

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#### CHAP. CLXI.

*Resolve on the petition of Moses Knapp, directing the Agent on Eastern lands to cause lots of settlers on No. 4, east side of Penobscot River to be surveyed, and granting further time for payment.* 12th February, 1816.

On the petition of Moses Knapp, praying leave to purchase a lot of land in Plantation Number Four on the east side of Penobscot river adjoining Eddington.

Whereas, by a resolve passed June 13, 1814, on the petition of Anna Palmer, and Eber Hathorn, which resolve embraces the object of the above petitioner, but by the provisions of said resolve a survey was to have been made on or before September, 1815; the Agent on Eastern lands appointed Charles Hammond, Esquire, to make the survey, but in consequence of the sickness and death of said Hammond, said resolve has not been carried into effect.

*Therefore resolved*, That a further time of one year, from the passing of this resolve, be, and hereby is allowed the settlers to pay for their several lots, and the Agent for Eastern lands is hereby authorized to cause the same to be surveyed in the way and manner provided in said resolve of June 13, 1814.

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#### CHAP. CLXII.

*Resolve appointing a Committee to report relative to the removal of two half toll gates on the Housatonic Turnpike.*

13th February, 1816.

Whereas a petition is now depending before the Legis-

lature in behalf of the Housatonic Turnpike Corporation, and the Hudson Turnpike Corporation, praying that the two half toll gates of said Corporations, which are now situated about one mile west of Dwight's mills in West Stockbridge, in the county of Berkshire, may be removed, and that in lieu thereof, one gate may be placed at some convenient place east of the road leading from Great Barrington to the village of West Stockbridge, and between said road and the foot of West Stockbridge mountain, where the Housatonic Turnpike road coincides with the county or old road, with such toll, as to the Legislature may seem reasonable; and whereas the justice and propriety of said petition can better be ascertained by discreet persons upon a view of the premises than by this Legislature;

*Therefore resolved*, That Wolcott Hubbell, Joshua Danforth and David Wainright, Esqs. be a Committee for the purposes herein after stated; that is to say, to view the said premises, and, after a hearing of the parties interested, make report to the first Session of the next General Court the opinion of said Committee, where the said gate or gates ought to be placed, and what toll ought to be received thereat, and whether any, or what persons ought to be exempted from paying toll thereat: *Provided, nevertheless*, that in case of the refusal, inability or neglect of any one of the said Committee to perform the service aforesaid, his place shall be supplied by the appointment of the other two; that the compensation of the said Committee shall be paid by the said Corporations; and *provided also*, that the said Committee shall give notice of the time and place of their meeting for the purposes aforesaid, at least fourteen days before said time, by a publication in the news-paper printed at Stockbridge, in said county.

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### CHAP. CLXIII.

*Resolve directing the Secretary to lay before the General Court a list of new Towns. 13th February 1816.*

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Commonwealth, sometime in the first week of the second session of the next General Court, and in the first week

of the second session of every succeeding General Court, to lay before them a correct list of the names of all the towns incorporated from plantations or other tracts of land the year preceding, with the names they originally bore, and also a like list of the names of all towns which may have been incorporated the year preceding out of one or more old towns, with the name of the town or towns from which they were taken.

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#### CHAP. CLXIV.

*Resolve on the report of Hon. Jeremiah Bailey and Benjamin Orr, Esqs. Commissioners for giving deeds to settlers in Lincoln county. 13th February, 1816.*

Whereas the Hon. Jeremiah Bailey and Benjamin Orr, Esqs. appointed Commissioners by his Excellency the Governor, under a resolve passed the 25th February, 1813, for certain purposes therein mentioned, have produced plans of several towns, with the settlers' lots thereon described, and also a schedule of the names of settlers, with the amount they have respectively paid, which sums, amounting to five thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven dollars and sixty-eight cents, after deducting two and a half per cent. they have paid into the Treasury of this Commonwealth :

And whereas the said Commissioners have not been able to complete the duty assigned them, owing to the settlers in some instances not being able to make payment in season, and other settlers being on or near the lines of the grant to Lincoln Academy, which lines are not properly defined :

*Therefore resolved,* That the said Commissioners be allowed to take from the Land office, the plans of said towns lodged in said office by them, for the purpose of completing the object of the resolves passed February twenty-fifth, 1813, and February twenty-eighth, 1814, to be restored to said office, when they make their final report.

*Resolved,* That the Trustees of the Lincoln Academy be, and they hereby are authorized and requested to receive from such settler who has settled on the Gore of Land, so called, bounded easterly by the Waldo line; southerly by the Drown line, and westerly by the Plymouth line, as laid down and delineated on a plan taken by Daniel Rose and John Glea-

son, June, 1812, on the same terms and conditions, and the same time for payment as settlers on the towns aforesaid, and convert the money received therefor to the use of said Academy, conformably to the resolve passed twenty-eighth February, 1814.

*And be it further resolved,* That there be granted to Jeremiah Bailey and Benjamin Orr, Esqs. the sum of one thousand dollars, on account of their services as Commissioners aforesaid ; and his Excellency the Governor, is requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the same.

### CHAP. CLXV.

*Resolve authorizing the Judge of Probate for the county of Berkshire to allow further time to the creditors of William Young to bring in their claims.*

13th February, 1816.

Upon the representation of the Solicitor-General, praying that the Judge of Probate for the county of Berkshire may be authorized and directed to allow a further time to the creditors of the estate of William Young, late of Williamstown, in the said county of Berkshire, deceased, represented insolvent, for bringing in and proving their claims :

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in the representation of the said Solicitor-General, that the Judge of Probate of Wills, &c. in the said county of Berkshire be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to allow a further time, not exceeding three months, to the creditors of the estate of said William Young, to bring in and prove their claims upon said estate before the Commissioners. And the said Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to receive, examine and allow any further claims against said estate in the same manner as they have examined and allowed the claims of the creditors of said estate, who have heretofore exhibited their said claims. The said Commissioners to give such notice of their further meetings as the said Judge of Probate for said county of Berkshire shall order and direct.

## CHAP. CLXVI.

*Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States. 13th February, 1816.*

THE Committee to whom was referred a Resolution of the State of North Carolina, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, ask leave to Report :

That all the principles contained in the three first paragraphs of the said Resolution, meet the unanimous concurrence of your Committee ; but that the principle contained in the fourth paragraph meets their unanimous dissent, inasmuch as its effect is to render forever permanent the Districts, into which any State may first be divided, until by a census and apportionment, the number of Representatives to which such State may be entitled, shall be changed ; so that, until this happen, whatever alteration may take place in the relative proportion of the inhabitants entitled to representation within the respective Districts, no corresponding alteration of the Districts can be attained. A principle, in the opinion of your Committee, incorrect in itself, and in its operation likely to be productive both of inequality and inconvenience.

Your Committee do not apprehend that any disadvantage can result from enabling each State Legislature immediately after every new census and apportionment, to revise the state of their respective Districts for the purpose of remedying any inequality which may have occurred in the relations of the population, within the respective Districts.

They therefore recommend that the Legislature should reject the Resolution proposed by the State of North Carolina.

But inasmuch as the general principles contained in the proposition transmitted from the State of North Carolina meet, in other respects, the concurrence of your Committee, they ask leave to recommend for the consideration of the Legislature, a Resolution embracing all the principles included in the Resolution from the State of North Carolina, with the exception of that which your Committee deemed objectionable, and modifying this upon principles, which your Committee deem both safe and expedient.

Your Committee, in conformity to the preceding Report, ask leave to present two Resolutions for the consideration and adoption of the Legislature.

*By order of the Committee,*

JOSIAH QUINCY, Chairman.

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*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

FEBRUARY, 1816.

*Resolved*, That the proposition of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, in the words following, viz.

“ That for the purpose of choosing Representatives in the Congress of the United States, each State shall, by its Legislature, be divided into a number of Districts equal to the number of Representatives to which such State may be entitled.

Those Districts shall be formed of contiguous territory, and contain as nearly as may be, an equal number of inhabitants entitled by the Constitution to be represented. In each District the qualified voters shall elect one Representative, and no more.

That for the purpose of appointing Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, each State shall, by its Legislature, be divided into a number of Districts equal to the number of Electors to which such State may be entitled.—Those Districts shall be composed of contiguous territory, and contain as nearly as may be, an equal number of inhabitants, entitled by the Constitution to representation. In each District the persons qualified to vote for Representatives, shall appoint one Elector, and no more. The Electors when convened, shall have power, in case any of those appointed, as above prescribed, shall fail to attend for the purposes of their said appointment, on the day prescribed for giving their votes for President and Vice-President of the United States, to appoint another or others to act in the place of him, or them, so failing to attend.

Neither the Districts for choosing Representatives, nor those for appointing Electors, shall be altered in any State, until a census and apportionment of Representatives, under

it, made subsequent to the division of the State into Districts, shall change the number of Representatives and of Electors, to which such State may be entitled.—The division of the State into Districts, hereby provided for, shall take place immediately after this amendment shall be adopted and ratified as a part of the Constitution of the United States; and successively afterwards, whenever by a census and apportionment of Representatives under it, the number of Representatives and of Electors, to which any State may be entitled, shall be changed. The division of such State into Districts for the purposes both of choosing Representatives and of appointing Electors, shall be altered agreeably to the provisions of this amendment, and on no other occasion:”

Be and the same is hereby rejected; and that His Excellency the Governor be requested to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Executives of the several States, and to each of our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States.

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*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

IN SENATE, 9th FEBRUARY, 1816.

*Resolved*, That our Senators in the Congress of the United States be instructed, and our Representatives be requested to endeavour to obtain the following amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

That for the purpose of choosing Representatives in the Congress of the United States, each State shall, by its Legislature, be divided into a number of Districts, equal to the number of Representatives, to which such State may be entitled.

Those Districts shall be formed of contiguous territory, and contain, as nearly as may be, an equal number of inhabitants entitled by the Constitution to be represented. In each District the qualified voters shall elect one Representative and no more.

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Neither the Districts for choosing Representatives, nor those for appointing Electors shall be altered in any State until a census and apportionment of Representatives, under it, subsequent to the division of the State into Districts, shall be made. The division of States into Districts, hereby provided for, shall take place immediately after this amendment shall be adopted and ratified, as a part of the Constitution of the United States; and successively immediately afterwards, whenever a census and apportionment of Representatives under it, shall be made. The division of such State into Districts, for the purposes both of choosing Representatives, and of appointing Electors, shall be altered agreeable to the provisions of this amendment, and on no other occasion.

*Resolved*, That His Excellency the Governor of this Commonwealth be requested to forward a copy of the preceding resolutions to each of our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States, and also to the Executive of the several States, accompanied with a request, that the same may be laid before their respective Legislatures for their consideration and adoption.

*In Senate, February 9, 1816.*

Read and accepted by unanimous vote. Sent down for concurrence.  
JOHN PHILLIPS, President.

*House of Representatives, February 13, 1816.*

Read and concurred by a unanimous vote.

TIMOTHY BIGELOW, *Speaker*.

CHAP. CLXVII.

*Resolve allowing \$80 86 cents to Stephen Whiting, a soldier, killed in the revolutionary war, to be paid his heirs.*  
13th February, 1816.

*Resolved,* That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the legal heirs of Stephen Whiting, a soldier, who was killed in the service of his country, during the revolutionary war, the sum of eighty dollars and eighty-six cents, being a balance of pay due him at that time, including interest to the first day of January, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and sixteen; and that his Excellency the Governor be requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for that sum.

CHAP. CLXVIII.

*Resolve directing the Quarter-Master-General, relative to Munitions of War, loaned to towns, &c. and authorizing the Governor to cause an Arsenal to be erected, in Boston, and in Cambridge.* 13th February, 1816.

*Resolved,* That all the towns, plantations, Military Officers, and individuals of every description, who have received from the Commonwealth, its Magazines, and Arsenals, (during the late war,) any munitions of war, or muskets and accoutrements, and have not returned or accounted for the same, agreeably to the resolve, passed June 13th, 1815, requiring the return of said articles, be, and they hereby are required to shew cause, if any they have, why they should not be called upon to pay the Commonwealth, the amount of their delinquency, by transmitting to the Quarter-Master-General's Department, a fair and correct statement of facts, relative to their delinquency, by affidavit, on or before the first Wednesday of the first session of the next General Court; and the Quarter-Master-General is hereby required to lay the same before the then Legislature, for their consideration and determination: *Provided however,* that in case any of the said delinquents shall, on or before the said first Wednesday, return any of said articles to the Quarter-

Master-General's Department, said articles, thus returned, shall be credited for, and a reasonable allowance for the expense of returning the same, be made by the Quarter-Master-General.

*Be it further resolved,* That the Quarter-Master-General be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to transmit by mail to each of said delinquents, a copy of the foregoing resolve.

*Be it further resolved,* That the Governor and Council be, and they hereby are authorized to cause a fire proof Arsenal and Laboratory to be erected, of such dimensions as they may deem expedient, on the tract of land now in the possession of the Commonwealth, situated and bounded on Pleasant-street, in Boston. Also to cause to be erected an additional fire proof Store in Cambridge, of such dimensions as they may deem expedient, on the land now owned by the Commonwealth, as a more permanent deposit of the tents and camp equipage, gun-carriages and tumbrils, apparatus, muskets and accoutrements, fixed ammunition, &c. and for this purpose, the Governor be, and he hereby is authorized, by and with the advice of the Council, to draw his warrants upon the Treasurer of this Commonwealth, for any sum or sums, not exceeding seven 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 of the Legislature, according to the provisions of their several acts of incorporation, and upon such terms and conditions as therein specified, any sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars, for the purpose of discharging the warrants to be drawn in pursuance of this resolution.

*Be it further resolved,* That the Quarter-Master-General be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to employ suitable persons to repair the injuries caused by the frost, to the forts recently erected by this Commonwealth, in Boston and its vicinity, at Portland and elsewhere.

*Be it further resolved,* That the resolve providing for the purchase of land and the erection of a public Arsenal, passed on the thirteenth day of June last be, and hereby is repealed,

## CHAP. CLXIX

*Resolve on the petition of John P. Boyd, directing the Agent on Eastern lands to cancel bonds and give a deed of half a township. 13th February, 1816.*

*Resolved,* For reasons set forth in said petition, that the Agents for the sale of Eastern lands, be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to cancel the contracts and notes of the said John P. Boyd, Esq. given to the use of the Commonwealth for the purchase of three certain townships of land, formerly contracted to be sold to Charles Bulfinch and others, and by them transferred to said Boyd; and, in consideration of the monies already paid into the Treasury of the Commonwealth by said Bulfinch and others, and said Boyd, in part pay of said townships, amounting to four thousand, two hundred and seventy-one dollars and seventy-seven cents, that said Committee, for the sale of Eastern lands, be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to give a deed to said John P. Boyd of one half of one of said townships, to wit, No. 2 in the seventh range, lying north of the Waldo-patent and between the rivers Kennebec and Penobscot, and to locate the same by meets or bounds, in equal moieties in quantity or quality between the Commonwealth and said Boyd, the said Boyd's moiety thereof to remain subject to a like proportion of the restrictions, reservations and conditions, expressed in his contract with the said Committee for the sale of Eastern lands.

## CHAP. CLXX.

*Resolve authorizing the Governor to appoint a Committee to survey and lay out a road in Penobscot county. 13th February, 1816.*

On the petition of inhabitants of Brownville and of Ichabod Thomas and others;

*Resolved,* That his Excellency the Governor with the advice and consent of Council, be, and he is hereby authorized to nominate and appoint a Committee who shall be authorized to cause to be surveyed, and if the public good requires

it, lay out a road, beginning at the northern extremity of the road, now made through the Indian townships, so called, on the west side of Penobscot river, and thence running north a little westerly, through the land belonging to the Commonwealth, to the township Number two, in the seventh range north of the Waldo patent ; thence in the nearest practicable and convenient direction, through said township Number two and township Number three in the same range, and to the mills in said Brownville ; thence the nearest convenient direction to the township of Williamsburgh ; thence to the land belonging to the Commonwealth in the south part of township Number six in the ninth range ; thence through said township to the land of the Commonwealth lying north of said ninth range, consulting in the general direction of said road the advantage of the Commonwealth, in selecting favorable ground for a proper avenue to the great body of its lands.

*Resolved*, That said Committee shall have power in behalf of the Commonwealth to contract with any person or persons to open and make said road passable and convenient for carriages, excepting through the townships of Brownville and Williamsburgh aforesaid, and the half township granted to Warren Academy, and to pay them for the same in any of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth, through which said road shall pass, at such price as the said Committee shall judge reasonable : And when the said road shall be completed to the satisfaction of a Committee to be appointed by the Court of Sessions, and accepted by them, the Agent for the sale of Eastern lands shall be, and hereby is, authorized to convey to the person or persons who shall have contracted for the same, their heirs or assigns, the quantity of land contracted for as aforesaid, it having been first surveyed under the direction of said Agent : *Provided however*, that previous to the laying out of said road, the proprietors of the said townships of Brownville and Williamsburgh, and of the half township granted to Warren Academy, shall severally give bonds, to the satisfaction of said Committee, that so much of said road as shall pass through their respective townships or tracts shall be made passable and convenient for carriages at their own expense ; otherwise all the provisions of these resolutions for making said roads shall be void.

*Resolved*, That the said Committee shall lay their accounts and a statement of their proceedings relative to said road, before his Excellency the Governor, who is requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the payment thereof.

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CHAP. CLXXI.

*Resolve on the petition of the Massachusetts General Hospital Corporation relative to the sale of the old Province House. 13th February, 1816.*

On the petition of the Massachusetts General Hospital Corporation, praying for a modification of the condition, on which the said Corporation is authorized by law to sell or otherwise dispose of the estate called the old Province House :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the authority which the said Corporation now have by law to sell and dispose of said estate, and to apply the proceeds thereof as a fund for a General Hospital, shall be subject to the sole condition, that before a sale of said estate be made, the said Corporation shall give bond to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, with surety or sureties, to be approved by his Excellency the Governor and Council, for the time being, conditioned, that the proceeds of said sale, with the interest thereon, shall be paid into the Treasury for the use of the Commonwealth, within one year from the date of such sale, unless an additional sum of one hundred thousand dollars shall have been raised by private subscription, or donation, for the purpose of the Hospital; any thing contained in the act, entitled an act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Massachusetts General Hospital, and an act in addition thereto, passed in June, eighteen hundred and thirteen, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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CHAP. CLXXII.

*Resolve making valid certain notifications of A. Bowman, Guardian of Aaron Tottingham. 14th February, 1814.*

On the petition of Amos Boardman, as late Guardian of Aaron Tottingham, late of that part of Reading, now South

Reading, in the county of Middlesex, then an idler, but now deceased, intestate, relating to the notice, which he, the said Amos Boardman, gave of the time and place of the sale by him, as such Guardian, and pursuant to a license of the Court of Common Pleas, made, at a public auction, on the twenty-third day of February, A. D. 1803, of all the real estate of said Tottingham, and to the affidavit therein mentioned by him since made of said sale and his proceedings relating thereto, and now recorded in the Registry of Probate in and for said county :

*Resolved*, For the reasons and purposes in said petition stated, that the prayer thereof be granted, and that the notifications by him, the said Amos Boardman, posted, as therein mentioned, of the time and place of said sale, shall be considered and taken as legal notice thereof, to all intents and purposes ; and that said affidavit by him made of said sale and his proceedings relating thereto, and now recorded in said Registry, as therein alleged, shall be admissible evidence of said sale, and proceedings, although the same was not made and recorded as aforesaid, within the time limited by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

### CHAP. CLXXIII.

*Resolve making allowance to David Small and others, for the expenses of an action brought against them by the Commonwealth, for supposed trespass on lands in Minot.*  
14th February, 1816.

On the petition of David Small, Nathaniel Small, John Nason, and Nathan Nason, praying that they may be reimbursed for monies paid in an action of trespass, commenced against them by the Commonwealth, on the lots of land in the town of Minot, formerly Bakerstown, on which they have settled ; which lots, afterwards proved not to belong to the Commonwealth :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to John Nason, David Small, and Nathaniel Small, the sum of eighty-three dollars and eighty-two cents, and to Nathan Nason, the sum of sixty-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents, in full consideration of all costs, damages, and expenses, incurred in consequence of said action.

CHAP. CLXXIV.

*Resolve making an allowance to A. Barbadoes, heir of Isaac Barbadoes, an old soldier. 14th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Abel Barbadoes,

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury, to Abel Barbadoes, the sum of sixty-seven dollars and fifteen cents, being a balance due to one Isaac Barbadoes, deceased, for his services as a soldier, in Col. Timothy Bigelow's regiment, in the Massachusetts line, of the revolutionary army, who died in the service of his country; the said Abel being the only and sole heir of the said Isaac deceased; and his Excellency the Governor is requested to issue a warrant on the Treasury, for the payment of the said sum to the said Abel.

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CHAP. CLXXV.

*Resolve authorizing Sidney Willard to sell real estate of certain Minors. 14th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Sidney Willard, Guardian of Sophia W. Mary, E. Francis, and Joseph W. Dana, minors and devisees mentioned in the last will and testament of Francis Dana, late of Cambridge, Esquire, deceased:

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the said Sidney Willard, as Guardian as aforesaid, be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to sell and convey any part or parts of the real estate held by them in common and undivided with the other heirs or devisees of said Francis Dana, deceased, and of which a sale and conveyance shall, at the time, be made by said other heirs or devisees; and every sale and conveyance as aforesaid, whether made at public auction, or by private contract, and executed by said Willard, in his said capacity of Guardian, shall be sufficient to pass all the right and interest of said Minors in and to such estate: *Provided, however*, that said Willard shall, previous to any such sale, execute a bond, with one or more sureties, to the Judge of Probate for the county of Middle-



sex, and in such form as he shall prescribe, to account for the proceeds of all such sales, and to invest or manage the same as shall be most for the benefit of said Minors: And *provided also*, that no sale, made as aforesaid, shall be for a less sum than shall be received by the other persons interested in said estate, for a like proportion thereof.

## CHAP. CLXXVI.

*Resolve authorizing the Court of Sessions in Hampden county to defray the expense, in part, of building a bridge in Westfield. 14th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Benjamin Hastings, in behalf of the inhabitants of the town of Westfield, praying that the Court of Sessions in and for the county of Hampden, may make such allowance to the said town of Westfield for building and supporting a bridge over Agawam or Westfield river, in said town, near the house of Gad Noble, as they may think just and reasonable :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the Court of Sessions for the county of Hampden, at their term to be held at Springfield, in and for said county, on the third Monday of March next, be authorized to hear any statement, petition or request from any persons duly authorized by said town of Westfield, and to allow and authorize such sums of money to be drawn from the Treasury of said county, to be appropriated towards building and supporting a bridge at the place aforesaid, as they may think just and reasonable ; and if they think proper, to appoint an Agent to superintend the laying out the same.

*And be it further resolved*, That the said Benjamin Hastings cause a copy of this resolve to be printed in the Hampden Federalist, published in Springfield, in two successive papers before the time for holding said Court, that any town within said county, by their Agents or Attornies may appear and object to the said town of Westfield's having any relief in the premises.

CHAP. CLXXVII.

*Resolve granting one hundred dollars to Ebenezer Kimball.*  
14th February, 1816.

On the petition of Ebenezer Kimball,

*Resolved*, That for the reasons set forth in said petition, the sum of one hundred dollars be paid out of the public treasury to said Ebenezer Kimball; and His Excellency the Governor, with advice of Council, is requested to issue a warrant on the treasury for the payment of the said sum of one hundred dollars to the said Ebenezer Kimball accordingly.

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CHAP. CLXXVIII.

*Resolve granting Edward H. Robbins, Esq. \$300 for services in the War Office.* 15th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the Honorable Edward H. Robbins, three hundred dollars on account of his services in the War Office, since the 15th of June last—he to be accountable for the same.

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CHAP. CLXXIX.

*Resolve making compensation for the Committee on accounts.*  
15th February, 1816.

*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 sum of one dollar per day, in addition to their pay as Members of the Legislature, viz.

Honorable Silas Holman—thirty-six dollars.

Honorable Jacob Abbot—thirty-three dollars.

James Robinson—thirty-six dollars.

Alford Richardson—thirty-five dollars.

Daniel Howard—thirty-six dollars.

## CHAP. CLXXX.

*Resolve granting pay to John Low junior, Assistant to the Messenger of the General Court. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of this Commonwealth to John Low, junior, Assistant Messenger of the House of Representatives, ninety-two dollars, in full for his services in that capacity, during the present session of the General Court.*

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## CHAP. CLXXXI.

*Resolve granting pay to the Chaplains of the General Court. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of this Commonwealth to the Executors of the Reverend Doctor John Lathrop, deceased, thirty dollars; to the Reverend Samuel C. Thacher, Reverend Francis Parkman, and the Reverend Nathaniel L. Frothingham, each thirty dollars, in full for their services as Chaplains to the General Court the present political year.*

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## CHAP. CLXXXII.

*Resolve for granting two hundred and fifty dollars to the Messenger of the General Court, in addition to his salary. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolve, That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of this Commonwealth, to Jacob Kuhn, Messenger of the General Court, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, which, with the sum already allowed him, shall be in full for his services the present year, ending the thirtieth day of May next.*

CHAP. CLXXXIII.

*Resolve directing the Treasurer to recall an execution against Bridge's Plantation, and remitting the amount, being the same place called Kingville. 15th February, 1815.*

Whereas, in the act imposing a tax for the year eighteen hundred and thirteen, the town of Kingville, in the county of Kennebeck, was taxed in the sum of twenty-eight dollars thirty-three cents, which sum has been duly paid into the Treasury ; and whereas Bridge's Plantation was assessed in said act for the sum of twenty-five dollars, for which execution has issued ; and whereas Kingville and Bridge's Plantation are different names for one and the same place :

*Therefore resolved*, That the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be authorised to direct the officers to whom said execution has been committed to return the same unsatisfied, if not levied, and that the said Tax assessed upon Bridge's Plantation be altogether remitted.

CHAP. CLXXXIV.

*Resolve on the petition of Shubael Bell, authorising the Hon. John Phillips, and John T. Apthorp, Esq. to quit-claim the title of the Commonwealth to estate in Court-street.*

15th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the Hon. John Phillips, President of the Senate, and John T. Apthorp, Esq. Treasurer of the State, be, and they hereby are empowered to release and quit-claim all the rights and title of the Commonwealth in and to the estate described in said petition, situate in Court-street, in said Boston, to Peter C. Brooks, Esq. who is proprietor of the reversion of said estate, and also to release said Bell from all demands of the Commonwealth on account of his lease of the said estate, or for arrears of rent : *Provided* said Bell shall pay into the Treasury of this Commonwealth, eleven hundred and fifty dollars. and said Brooks shall pay into said Treasury, the sum of two thousand dollars in full of the right and title of the Commonwealth to the premises.

CHAP. CLXXXV.

*Resolve granting a pension to Adam Rupp, of \$72 annually.  
15th February, 1816.*

On the petition of Adam Rupp, praying compensation for the loss of his right foot, while in the service of the Commonwealth, at fort Strong, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen :

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to the said Adam Rupp, seventy-two dollars annually, during his natural life, in semi-annual payments, to commence from the passing of this resolve.

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CHAP. CLXXXVI.

*Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to give notice to the Union and Boston Banks, that the Legislature direct them to purchase the Capital Stock belonging to the Commonwealth, in those Banks. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this Commonwealth be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered, to give notice forthwith, to the President, Directors and Company of the Boston Bank, and to the President, Directors and Company of the Union Bank, that the Legislature of this Commonwealth do order and direct, the said President, Directors and Company of the Boston and Union Banks respectively, after nine months from the notices given aforesaid, to purchase of the Commonwealth, its Capital Stock owned in said Banks, according to the terms and provisions specified and contained in their respective acts of incorporation.

*And be it further resolved*, That the said Treasurer of this Commonwealth be also authorized and directed, to receive from either of said Banks any proposition relative to the purchase of said Stock, and to report the same, with his opinion, touching the interest of the Commonwealth, at the first session of the next General Court.

CHAP. CLXXXVII.

*Resolve on the petition of Joseph Howard, authorizing the Attorney General to suspend the collection of an execution.*  
15th February, 1816.

On the petition of Joseph Howard, praying that he may be relieved from a judgment of the Supreme Judicial Court, when holden at Portland, within the county of Cumberland, for the counties of Cumberland and Oxford, on the third Tuesday of October, A. D. 1815, on an information filed by Perez Morton, Esq. Attorney General, for a supposed trespass on the Commonwealth's land :

*Resolved*, For reasons set forth in said petition, that the same petition be referred to the first session of the next General Court, there to be heard and determined ; and that the Attorney General be authorized and directed, to suspend the collection of the execution, recovered by said Commonwealth, against the said Joseph Howard, until the end of the first session of the next General Court : *Provided however*, that the said Howard shall satisfy, and pay the informer or complainant, any sum that shall be due him or them, in the judgment aforesaid.

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CHAP. CLXXXVIII.

*Resolve appointing a Committee to fix the boundary line between Durham and Pejepscot.* 15th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That Archelaus Lewis, Esquire, of Westbrook, Alexander Greenwood, Esquire, of Hebron, and Aaron Dwinal, Esquire, of Lisbon, be a Committee to repair to the towns of Durham and Pejepscot, to settle and finally fix the boundary line between the towns of Durham and Pejepscot, at their expense ; and, after a full hearing of the parties, that they begin at the place which they may determine to have been the most north-westerly corner of the town of Durham, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine ; and from thence to run the dividing line between said towns of Durham and Pejepscot to Androscoggin river, and to erect durable monuments on

said line ; which line, when run as aforesaid, shall forever be considered as the true dividing line between the towns aforesaid. And it shall be the duty of said Committee to deliver a copy of their award or doings to the Town Clerks of said Durham and Pejepscot.

### CHAP. CLXXXIX.

*Resolve for the payment of claims allowed at the War-Office.*  
15th February, 1816.

Schedule of claims against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, allowed at the War Office, between the 9th and 15th of Feb. 1816 :

To General John Blake for Captain Daniel Webster's company pay roll, 4th Regiment, 1st brigade, 10th division,	\$75 60
Also, for Captain Timothy W. Sibley's company pay roll, same regiment,	76 10
Also, for General Blake's services from 1st to 10th September, 1814, inclusive, as Brigadier-General of 1st brigade, 10th division,	49 89
To the town of Mendon, for rations and transportation,	30 40
To Alfred Johnson, Jr. for iron work, &c. artillery, 10th division,	10 87
To Elias Dudley for damages done his house, and for use of it quartering troops at Hampden,	100 00
To the town of Parsonsfield for rations and transportation,	30 70
To the town of Salem, for rations, &c.	316 96
To William Coolidge, for transportation at Portland, &c.	246 13
To Jonathan Wilson, for toll for troops, baggage waggons, artillery, &c. at Belfast East Bridge,	40 00
To the town of Buckstown for rations,	65 00
To Thomas M'Clure, for Tim. Fitch and Ichabod Crocker's bill ferrying troops, Damascotta,	66 67
To Joseph H. Dorr, for Jonathan Bartlett's account, Brigade-Major, second brigade, tenth division,	100 00
To town of Readfield, for rations, &c.	14 00
To Joseph H. Pierce, for his services as Secretary in War-Office, to 13th inst.	100 00

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To Noah Shattuck for Stilman Rixford's claim,	2 44
For William Shattuck's claim,	2 44
To Ebenezer Poor, Surgeon first regiment, second brigade, thirteenth division,	14 33
To the town of East Andover, for rations, &c.	37 90
To Jacob Kuhn, for attendance in the War Office, to July 15, 1815,	27 00
To Adam Rupp, for the purpose of discharging his Surgeon's bill and expenses, &c. up to this time (February 15th, 1816) in consequence of an am- putation occasioned by an injury received in fir- ing the guns at Fort Strong, in November, 1814,	200 00
To Richard D. Tucker, for damages done to his buildings at Cambridgeport, and for the rent of the same, while the troops were quartered there, in, 1814,	75 00
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*War Office, February 15, 1816.*

The undersigned, in compliance with his duty, respectfully reports, that since his certificate of allowances made at the War Office up to the 8th instant, he has received the unadjusted claims on the Commonwealth, from the corporations and persons, stated on the annexed schedule ; and liquidated the same at the sums set against their respective names ; which, when paid, will be in full for their several exhibits.

**EDWARD H. ROBBINS.**

The Committee of Senate, to whom was referred the foregoing report, have considered the same, and ask leave to submit the following resolution ; which is submitted by

**LATHROP LEWIS, Chairman.**

*Resolved,* That his Excellency the Governor be, and he hereby is requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the sum of one thousand six hundred eighty-one dollars and forty-three cents, in favor of the several corporations and individuals stated in the foregoing account, which sums, when paid, shall be in full compensation for the several exhibits to which they refer.



## CHAP. CXC.

*Resolve on the representation of Alden Bradford, Esquire, Secretary of the Commonwealth. 15th February, 1816.*

The Committee to whom was committed the petition of Alden Bradford, Esqr. and the resolve thereon, report, that they have examined his account exhibited, and find he has received from June 6th, 1812, up to and including February 10, 1816, seventeen hundred sixty dollars and ninety-two cents by fees of office and otherwise, and that he has paid for extra Clerk hire, and sundry incidental expenses in his office, seven hundred thirty dollars and twelve cents, leaving a balance of one thousand thirty dollars and eighty cents in his hands, to be accounted for: They, therefore submit the following resolve.

*Resolved, That Alden Bradford, Esqr. Secretary of this Commonwealth be, and he hereby shall be exonerated from all demands the Commonwealth may now have against him for all monies he has received by fees of office, or otherwise, from June the sixth, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, up to and including February the tenth, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, on his paying into the Treasury the said balance of one thousand and thirty dollars and eighty cents.*

## CHAP. CXCI.

*Resolve directing the Secretary to purchase five hundred and fifty copies of first volume of the Term Reports. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to purchase five hundred and fifty copies of the first volume of the Massachusetts Term Reports, so soon as a new edition thereof shall be published and ready for delivery; provided he can obtain the same well bound and lettered, at a price not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents a volume. And whenever he shall have so purchased and received the same, he is directed to transmit one copy to*

the Clerk of each town, district and unincorporated plantation which has been required to assess taxes upon themselves towards the support of government, for the use of their respective inhabitants, and to lay his account before the Governor, who is hereby requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the payment thereof.

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CHAP. CXCI.

*Resolve for paying the Assisants of the Messenger of the General Court. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury of this Commonwealth to Henry Bacon, Lewis Low, and Ward Lock, assistants to the Messenger of the General Court, one dollar per day each, during the present session of the Legislature, in addition to the usual allowance of two dollars per day.

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CHAP. CXCI.

*Resolve providing for the pay of the Page of the House of Representatives. 15th February, 1816.*

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

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CHAP. CXCI.

*Resolve making an allowance to Isaac Adams, Assistant to the Messenger of the Governor and Council. 15th February, 1816.*

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid to Isaac Adams, Assistant to the Messenger of the Governor and

Council, two dollars and fifty cents a day, for his attendance and services the present session of the Council, and for every day which he may be employed as an Assistant to the said Messenger. And his Excellency the Governor with the advice of Council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the Treasurer of the Commonwealth for paying said Adams accordingly.

CHAP. CXCIV.

*Resolve granting five hundred dollars to Benjamin Whitwell, Esquire, for his services as Deputy Secretary.*  
15th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth to Benjamin Whitwell, Esq. the sum of five hundred dollars, in full compensation for his services as Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth for one year, ending on the first day of August, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifteen; and that his Excellency the Governor be requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for that sum.

CHAP. CXCVI.

*Resolve appointing a Committee to revise the Probate Laws.*  
15th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That the Honorable Thomas Dawes, Nathan Dane, and John Pickering, Esquires, be a Committee for the purpose of revising the Probate Laws; and that the resolve on this subject, passed at a former day of the present session of the General Court be, and the same hereby is repealed.

CHAP. CXCVII.

*Resolve on the petition of the town of Jay, making valid their records.* 16th February, 1816.

On the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Jay, setting forth that the Town Clerks of said town have omitted

to attest the records of said town, and likewise have omitted to make record of the oaths administered to the officers, of whom an oath is required, and praying relief in the premises.

*Resolved*, For the reasons set forth in said petition, that the prayer of said petitioner be granted; and that the said records be and the same are hereby made valid to all intents and purposes, in like manner as if the same had been duly attested by said Town Clerks; and that the doings of all officers as aforesaid, to whom oaths have been administered, shall be, and the same are hereby made valid to all intents and purposes, in like manner as if a record had been made of said oaths.

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#### CHAP. CXCVIII.

*Resolve making an allowance to Thomas Walcutt for his services in assisting the Members of the Legislature.*

16th February, 1816.

*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 and fifty dollars, in full for his services during the present session of the General Court.

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#### CHAP. CXCIX.

*Resolve to pay the Clerks of the General Court.*

16th February, 1816.

*Resolved*, That there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, to Samuel F. McCleary, Clerk of the Senate, the sum of four hundred dollars; to Benjamin Pollard, Clerk of the House of Representatives, the sum of four hundred dollars; and to Robert C. Vose, Assistant Clerk of the Senate, the sum of three hundred dollars—in full for their respective services in the capacities aforesaid, during the present session of the General Court.

## ROLL No. 74....January, 1816.

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

**REPORT,** That there are 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.

Abington, for board and clothing Thomas Seymour, to 24th January, 1816,	\$ 81 50
Avon, for board, doctoring and nursing Jonathan Corlis till his death, and funeral charges, December, 1815,	156 00
Alford, for board, clothing and doctoring Anna Sampson, to 7th December, 1815,	27 75
Ashburnham, for board and supplies to sundry paupers, to 1st March, 1815,	15 70
Adams, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 9th January, 1816,	169 39
Andover, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st of February, 1816,	143 95
Attleborough, for board and supplies to sundry paupers, to 20th January, 1816,	106 30
Baldwin, for board and clothing Daniel Hickey, to 1st January, 1816,	67 20
Barnardston, for board and clothing Oliver Stephens, to 15th January, 1816,	90 01
Belgrade, for board of Abigail Odlin, to 8th January, 1816,	31 50
Becket, for board and clothing Bristol Bogart, till his death, November, 1815,	54 00
Barre, for board and clothing Samuel Lee, to 25th January, 1816,	28 40
Bowdoinham, for board and clothing Betsey Parker, to 27th December, 1815,	113 40

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Bradford, for board and clothing Joshua Alsace, to 1st January, 1816,	45 84
Boxford, for board and clothing Mehitable Hall, to 14th January, 1816,	62 00
Belchertown, for board and clothing sundry pau- pers, to the 1st February, 1816,	109 12
Brimfield, for board and clothing John Christian and Robert Campbell, to 20th January, 1816,	84 40
Bridgewater, for board and clothing sundry pau- pers, to 29th 1816,	234 09
Bradford, Samuel, keeper of the goal in Boston, for support of sundry poor prisoners, to 1st Jan. 1816,	531 65
Boston, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st December, 1815,	5,861 81
Beverly, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	192 28
Boston Board of Health, for support of sundry paupers, to 3d of February, 1816,	153 87
Chester, for board and clothing George Butolf and wife, to 6th January, 1816,	146 80
Canton, for board and clothing John Cole, to 1st June, 1815,	33 60
Cushing, for board and clothing James Walker, to 17th January, 1816,	67 70
Cambridge, for board and clothing sundry pau- pers, to 20th January, 1816,	179 86
Chelmsford, for board and clothing sundry pau- pers, to 1st January, 1816,	135 80
Colrain, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 12th January, 1816,	136 00
Camden, for board and clothing John Bloom, to 24th January, 1816,	47 59
Cheshire, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 23d January, 1816,	148 58
Carlisle, for board and clothing Robert Barbour, to 7th January, 1816,	38 85
Castine, for board and clothing James Buckley and Catharine Mc Coy, to 1st January, 1816,	170 25
Cape-Elizabeth, for board and clothing James Ramsbottom and George Young, to 1st Jan- uary, 1816,	81 60
Concord, for board and clothing Case a coloured man, to 28th January, 1816,	76 74

Charlestown, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 3d of February, 1816,	555 73
Chesterfield, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 21st January, 1816,	121 69
Dorchester, for board and clothing John Harrison and Thomas Wyman, to 31st January, 1816,	78 00
Dedham, for board and doctoring, and nursing sundry paupers, to 11th January, 1816,	83 37
Dracut, for supplies furnished Richard Baker, to 23d January, 1816,	61 00
Dresden, for support of John Cullen, to 1st January, 1816,	67 20
Danvers, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 6th February, 1816,	1173 59
East Hampton, for board of Garret Decker till he left town,	17 50
Eastport, for board and clothing William Johnson and John Smith, to 24th January, 1814,	107 15
Elliot, for board and clothing Jacob Brewer and Abigail Randall, to 14th January, 1816,	79 70
Egremont, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 14th January, 1816,	304 48
Falmouth, Cumberland County, for board and clothing Felecian Sang, to 8th January, 1816,	67 20
Frankfort, for board of Hatfield Coltson, to 1st January, 1816,	30 00
Falmouth, Barnstable County, for board of Edward Edwards, to 19th January, 1816,	26 00
Framingham, for support of Lucy Green, to 18th January, 1816,	23 40
Granville, for board and clothing George Taylor, to 1st January, 1816,	37 50
Greenwich, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 14th January, 1816,	187 44
Groton, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 10th January, 1816,	470 67
Gorham, for board and clothing Robert Gillfillen, to 1st February, 1816,	132 00
Granby, for board, clothing and doctoring Ebenezer Darvin and John Wilson, to 12th January, 1816,	133 49
Gill, for board and clothing Sarah Hamilton and Nathaniel Nickols, to 27th January, 1816,	188 76

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Grafton, for board and clothing Isaac Newman, to 10th January, 1816,	67 20
Greenfield, for board and clothing Lazarus Tolle's wife, and Eunice Convers to the time of her death, 1st January, 1816,	181 46
Great Barrington, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 9th January, 1816,	258 80
Gloucester, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 10th November, 1815,	1103 00
Hallowell, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 31st December, 1815,	439 20
Hadley, for board and clothing Friday Allen and Rebecca Allen, to 6th January, 1816,	112 00
Hamilton, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing Molly M'Kue, to 5th April, 1815,	72 95
Hodgkins, Joseph, keeper of the house of correction, Essex County, for support of sundry paupers, to 31st January, 1816,	226 74
Hopkinton, for support of Dinah, a negro woman, to 6th February, 1816,	56 80
Haverhill, for board, clothing and doctoring William Tapley, to 1st January, 1816,	75 20
Hancock, for supporting Rebecca Osborn and Widow Winn, to 1st of January, 1816,	110 84
Ipswich, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st February, 1816,	409 97
Kittery, for board and clothing Sarah Perkins and Deborah Perkins and child, to 1st of January, 1816,	146 64
Kingston, for supplies to Elizabeth Renny and two children, to 2d January, 1816,	30 75
Litchfield, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing John Taylor's two children, to 1st June, and Daniel Howard to time of his death, and funeral charges, October, 1815,	82 03
Liecester, for board, doctoring and nursing Bridget Murey, to 3d August, 1815,	41 80
Leeds, for board and clothing Nicholas Tallier, to 2d January, 1816,	61 25
Lincolnvillle, for board and clothing Alexander White, Timothy Cox, and Edward Oram, to 1st January, 1816,	111 32
Lee, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing sundry paupers, to 10th January, 1816,	264 84



Lenox, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 11th January, 1816,	159 06
Lanesborough, for board, clothing and supplies to sundry paupers, to 31st December, 1815,	254 52
Leyden, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 20th January, 1816,	92 05
Limington, for board to John O. Ryan, to 31st December, 1815,	67 20
Lynn, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 25th, 1816,	720 38
Long Meadow, for board and clothing Peter Dun- kin, to 24th January, 1816,	94 00
Mount Vernon, for supplies to William Ham- mond's family, to 4th January, 1816,	28 90
Machias, for board and clothing Anthony Pepper and Moses Wheaton, to 31st December, 1815,	75 75
Monmouth, for board, clothing and supplies to sundry paupers, to 15th January, 1816,	101 17
Minot, for board of Philip Weeks, to 15th Janu- ary, 1816,	55 00
Marlborough, for board and clothing Joseph Waters, to 28th November, 1815,	93 00
Montague, for board and nursing Joshua Searl, to 11th January, 1816,	57 54
Middleborough, for board and clothing John Fitz- gerald and Betsy White, to 10th January, 1816,	124 00
Manning, Thomas, for doctoring sundry poor prisoners, in Ipswich goal, to 1st January, 1816,	87 50
Medfield, for board, doctoring and nursing George Turner, to 19th January, 1816,	74 15
Milford, for board and clothing Betsy Gould, to 30th January, 1816,	77 20
Marblehead, for board and clothing sundry pau- pers, to 30th January, 1816,	423, 41
North Yarmouth, for board and clothing George Young, to August 29th, 1814,	35 50
Newry, for board and clothing William Burk, to 1st January, 1816,	41 10
North Hampton, for board, clothing and doctor- ing sundry paupers, to 15th January, 1816,	174 10
New Ashford, for board and clothing Rebecca Mosher, to 13th, 1816,	48 36
Northfield, for the support of Amos Riley, a child, to 18th, 1816,	28 77

North Brookfield, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	192 28
New Gloucester. for board and supplies to sundry paupers, to 21st December, 1815,	262 86
Newbury, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	1377 56
Newburyport, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	1907 92
Overseers of Marshpee Indians, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	493 20
Oliver, Daniel, for doctoring sundry criminal prisoners, to 1st January, 1816,	15 00
Phippsburgh, for board and clothing Jacob Wheeler, to 25th December, 1815,	22 82
Palmer, for board, clothing and doctoring William and Phebe Mendon, to 20th January, 1816,	146 60
Peru, for board, clothing and doctoring James Robbins, to 15th January, 1816,	15 64
Pittstown, for supplies furnished the wife and children of Robert M'Knight, to 21st October, 1815,	100 00
Pittsfield, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 31st December, 1815,	473 50
Plymouth, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 21st January, 1816,	560 56
Parsonsfield, for support of Lucy Miles, to 15th December, 1815,	19 74
Portland, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	1237 47
Quincy, for board and nursing William Oliphant, to 25th, 1815,	52 03
Rehoboth, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	314 86
Rutland, for board, clothing and doctoring William Henderson, to 1st January, 1816,	39 62
Roxbury, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 3d January, 1816,	361 35
Rochester, for board and doctoring William Hale, to 4th February, 1814,	22 70
Rowley, for board, clothing and nursing Ella Collins and Benoni Dow, to 1st January, 1816,	95 86
Richmond, for board and clothing Thomas Rowly, and Samuel Hill, to 29th January, 1816,	142 20
Sandisfield, for board and clothing Richard Dickson and wife, to 1st January, 1816,	30 57

Sutton, for supporting Isabella Santee's five children, to 11th January, 1816,	87 00
St. George, for board and clothing Robert Hawes, to 12th January, 1816,	53 90
Spencer, for board, clothing and doctoring John Landers, to 6th January, 1816,	67 20
Shrewsbury, for support of Leander Tay, till bound out, November 8th, 1815,	22 39
South Berwick, for board and clothing Lemuel Woodworth, to 15th January, 1816,	49 50
Sterling, for board, clothing and doctoring Jemima Pike, to 4th January, 1816,	67 10
Sandwich, for board, clothing and doctoring Richard Crouch and Rebecca Simmonds, to 4th January, 1816,	71 00
Shelburn, for board, clothing, doctoring and supplies to sundry paupers, to 14th January, 1816,	83 25
Saco, for board, clothing, doctoring and supplies to sundry paupers, to 10th January, 1816,	52 02
Sanford, board, clothing and doctoring Rachel Jourdan and two children, to January, 1816,	28 07
Shirley, for board and clothing Simon Cox and Molley Farr, to 29th January, 1816,	174 23
Sheffield, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 16th January, 1816,	188 77
Sharon, for board and clothing Daniel Frazler, to 28th December, 1815,	10 70
Swansey, for board and clothing Garret Barnes and James Garnet, to 13th January, 1816,	82 24
Sherburne, for board of Benjamin Haughton to 29th January, 1816,	52 00
Sudbury, for board and clothing John Whitton, to 11th February, 1816,	90 31
Stockbridge, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 6th June, 1815,	123 40
Sturbridge, for support of London Derry, to 4th January, 1816,	72 40
Salem, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	3722 28
Tyringham, for board, clothing and doctoring Elijah Dart and Ralph Wey till his death, and funeral charges,	97 85
Turner, for board, clothing and doctoring William G. Martin, to 26th August, 1815,	38 75

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Topsham, board and clothing John Duggin, to 28th January, 1816,	78 00
Troy, for board and clothing Betsy Bell, to 20th January, 1816,	70 80
Taunton, for board, clothing, doctoring and supplies to sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	337 07
Thomastown, for board and clothing John Anderson, to 12th January, 1816,	57 20
Uxbridge, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 2d January, 1816,	120 64
Vassalborough, for board, clothing, doctoring and nursing Gustavus Fellows, to 19th Jan'y. 1816,	195 25
Warren, for board and clothing Hannah Annis, Robert Brown and William Mearman, to 4th January, 1816,	154 00
Worcester, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	311 02
Wellington, for board and clothing Catherine Butler, to 1st September, 1815,	67 50
Windsor, for board, clothing and doctoring the wife of Henry Smith, to 16th January, 1816, and Henry Smith till his death, and funeral charges,	68 79
West Stockbridge, for board and clothing Lucy Lane and James C. Briggs, to 1st Jan'y. 1816.	108 50
Westfield, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st January, 1816,	105 69
Williamstown, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 21st January, 1816,	139 65
Westport, for board and clothing Henry Pero, a child, to 10th January, 1816,	6 60
Walpole, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 24th January, 1816,	191 18
West Springfield, for board, clothing and doctoring sundry paupers, to 8th January, 1816,	128 44
Wilbraham, for doctoring Gideon Lewis, to November 16th, 1815,	36 86
Wrentham, for board and clothing Daniel Fitzgerald, to 1st January, 1816,	56 93
Westford, for board and clothing Christopher Shephard, to 1st February, 1816,	75 00
Wiscassett, for board, clothing, doctoring and supplies to sundry paupers, to 1st February, 1816,	115 01

Westbrook, for board, doctoring and nursing Samuel Brown, to 26th May, 1816,	76 00
Winthrop, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 4th January, 1816,	160 00
Watertown, for board and clothing Nicholas Johnson and Deborah Barnes, to 18th June, 1815,	77 10
York, for board and clothing sundry paupers, to 1st February, 1816,	526 26
Total Paupers,	<u>36,672 34</u>

## MILITARY ACCOUNTS.

*Courts Martial and of Inquiry.*

Allen, Samuel, Jun'r. for the expense of a Court Martial, holden at Brookfield, in January, 1816, whereof Col. Thomas Wheeler was President,	145 92
Allen, Samuel, Jun'r. for the expense of a Court of Inquiry, holden at Oxford, in January, 1816, whereof Col. Ezekiel Preston was President,	56 32
Brooks, John, Adjutant General, for the expense of a Court of Inquiry, holden at Bangor, in June 1815, whereof Major General Henry Sewell was President	642 69
Brooks, John, Adjutant General, for the expense of a Court Martial, holden at Bath, in July, 1815, whereof Major General William King was President,	816 75
Hight, William, for the expense of a Court of Inquiry, holden at York, whereof Col. William Frost was President,	59 64
Hight, William, for the expense of a Court of Inquiry, holden at Berwick, in July, 1815, whereof Major George Applebee was President,	31 62
Sampson, Joseph, for the expense of a Court Martial, holden at Sandwich, in May, 1815, whereof Col. John Thomas was President,	203 11
Scott, B. William, for the expense of a Court Martial, holden at Newburyport, in January, 1816, whereof Col. Benjamin Evans was President,	241 11
Starr, James, for the expense of a Court Martial, holden in October, 1815, whereof Col. Cyrus Clark was President,	849 84

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Sewell, B. William, for taking Depositions, making out Notifications, and for Cash paid Deputy Sheriff for serving the same, for the Investigation of the Election of Major William Slemons; by order of the Commander in Chief,	5 99
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## *Brigade-Majors and Aids-de-Camp.*

Allen, James, to 28th December, 1815,	57 10
Atherton, A. W. to 1st January, 1816,	32 22
Barnard, F. Robert, to 26th December, 1815,	43 75
Bliss, George, to 1st December, 1815,	61 25
Bartlett, Jonathan, to 13th December, 1813,	409 50
Blake, James, to 23d January, 1816,	173 81
Dutch, Ebenezer, to 26th January, 1816,	52 64
Fogg, Simeon, to 13th January, 1816,	59 62
Goodwin, M. John, to 1st August, 1815,	12 98
Grennell, George, to 11th December, 1815,	31 86
Hyde, Zena, to 9th November, 1815,	104 77
Hubbard, Russell, to 1st January, 1816,	48
Hight, William, to 2d December, 1815,	55 15
Hubbell, Calvin, to 1st January, 1816,	66 73
Howard, Samuel, to 27th June, 1815,	118 20
Heywood, Nathan, to 20th January, 1816,	111 20
Ives H. George, to 23d December, 1815,	16 50
Jacques, Samuel, to 3d of February, 1816,	74 87
Mitchell, Daniel, to 6th November, 1815,	58 80
Newton, Rejoice, to 17th January, 1816,	19 40
Osgood, B. Joshua, to 9th December, 1815,	28 37
Page, Samuel, to 16th November, 1815,	115, 55
Robinson, Jesse, to 31st December, 1815,	85 25
Sawtell, Richard, to 1st January, 1816,	65 32
Scott, John, to 1st January, 1816,	101 92
Sampson, Joseph, to 24th January, 1816,	70 83
Sargent, L. M. to 31st January, 1816,	49 8
Thayer, M. Samuel, to 2d February, 1816,	103 60
Thayer, Minot, to 16th January, 1816,	103 55
Varnum, T. Benjamin, to 24th October, 1815,	12 75
Whitney, P. Timothy, to 17th January, 1816,	87
Wingate, Joseph, to 31st January, 1816,	59 50

*Brigade Quarter Masters.*

Bradbury, William, to 1st October, 1815,	18 60
Blake, James, to 1st October, 1815,	27 20
Craft, Ebenezer, to 1st October, 1815,	24 50
Dorr, M. Richard, to 1st October, 1815,	35 75
Farrell, Gideon, to 1st October, 1815,	37 50
Fales, C. Samuel, to 1st October, 1815,	22 30
Garrett, Andrew, to 1st October, 1815,	16 20
Hobert, Thomas, to 1st November, 1815,	17 05
How, Thomas, to 1st October, 1815,	30 35
Lewis, Lyman, to 1st October, 1815,	29 10
Norton, B. Winthrop, to 1st October, 1815,	36 80
Pollard, Oliver, to 5th October, 1815,	17 65
Plinney, Elias, to 1st October, 1815,	29 50
Roberts, L. Charles, to 1st October, 1815,	14 55
Rossetter, Samuel, to 1st January, 1816,	17 90
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*Adjutants.*

Agery, Thomas, to 17th November, 1815,	50 44
Avery, Joshua, to 14th January, 1816,	35 32
Bradley, Enoch, Jun'r. to 1st November, 1815,	15 18
Backus, Zenus, to 1st January, 1816,	59 89
Burnham, Enoch, to 1st January, 1816,	22 64
Bodartha, Harvey, to 16th September, 1815,	16 35
Bourn, Abner, to 27th October, 1815,	84 87
Bourn, Joseph, to 13th September, 1815,	70 09
Brown, Thomas, to 1st October, 1815,	8 78
Burt, David, to 4th November, 1815,	14 79
Bradford, Hira, to 24th May, 1815,	8 46
Bradbury William, to 17th September, 1815,	13 51
Bancroft A. William, to 3d September, 1815,	24 70
Cobb, Charles, to 8th September, 1815,	16 50
Carter, Willis, to 21st September, 1815,	33 85
Camberlain, B. William, to 15th September, 1815,	5 67
Colman, Daniel, to 17th November, 1815,	13 93
Clark, Samuel, to 31st December, 1815,	91 87
Cheney, Amasa, to 23d December, 1815,	49 91
Clark, Joseph, to 18th October, 1815,	60 22
Champney, John, to 19th January, 1816,	94 18

Crowel, Michael, to 2d December, 1815,	12 37
Cushing, Ned, to 7th October, 1815,	27 22
Clark, John, to 21st September, 1815,	21 25
Callender, Benjamin to 1st January, 1816,	11 22
Coolidge, Nathaniel, to 17th September, 1815,	14 38
Delano, Gideon, to 2d October, 1815,	16 59
Draper, William, to 1st January, 1816,	25 65
Deming, C. John, to 20th December, 1815,	13 83
Dudley, Elias, to 24th January, 1816,	15 74
Freeman, William, to 9th January, 1816,	12 47
Farrer, David, to 12th September, 1814,	9 67
Fairbanks, Stephen, to 22d October, 1815,	83 28
Gilbreth, John, to 5th January, 1816,	35 88
Gitchell, Ephraim, to 21st November, 1815,	54 29
Hudson, R. John, to 25th December, 1815,	14 25
How, Jun'r. John, to 4th January, 1816,	6 50
Hilton, Joshua, to 21st September, 1815,	30 38
Hill, James, to 21st January, 1816,	9 58
Hale, Jun'r. E. to 21st December, 1815,	53 52
Hayes, John, to 13th December, 1815,	18 99
Hoyt, C. John, to 2d February, 1816,	8 88
Harrington, Joseph, to 9th January, 1816,	69 81
Ives, H. George, to 15th March, 1815,	12 70
Jefferds, Nathaniel, to 2d September, 1815,	16 62
Jacques, Henry, to 20th January, 1816,	39 66
Jones, Nathan, to 2d January, 1816,	26 34
Kingman, Simeon, to 1st January, 1816,	8 73
Kieth, Cyrus, to 12th September, 1815,	64 29
Knight, Mc James, to 3d September, 1815,	5 25
Knight, Jonathan, to 19th January, 1816,	5 59
Libbey, Nathaniel, to 1st January, 1816,	43 71
Lunt, Peter, to 15th January, 1816,	24 05
Leonard, B. E. to 22d January, 1816,	30 09
Larrabee, William, to 29th September, 1815,	13 03
Law, Perley, to 27th August, 1815,	13 85
Marston, Jonathan, to 1st January, 1816,	75 50
Mower, John, to 6th January, 1816,	8 61
Nye, Joseph, to 23d December, 1815,	15 99
Nason, Levitt, to 8th January, 1816,	36
Orr, Hecter, to 12th September, 1816,	70 22
Poor, Nathan, to 5th November, 1815,	10 29
Parsons, William, to 16th January, 1816,	17 65
Pyncheon, George, to 20th September, 1815,	4 91



Parker, Henry, to 10th September, 1815,	25 10
Preston, Warren, to 23d August, 1815,	36 88
Richardson, Wyman, to 17th September, 1815,	33 45
Rockwell, Neal, to 20th September, 1815,	22 63
Stimpson, James, to 30th August, 1815,	11 25
Sever, John, to 4th October, 1815,	96 53
Spring, Luthar, to 5th October, 1815,	11 90
Sexton, George, to 2d December, 1815,	22 63
Stone, Hosea, to 3d September, 1815,	13 04
Stanwood, David, to 29th October, 1815,	40 70
Sayles, Richard, to 5th February, 1816,	31 36
Smith, Henry, to 10th January, 1816,	23 64
Trufant, Seth, to 29th October, 1815,	21 24
Tobey, James, to 27th September, 1815,	20 08
Tinker, Seth, to 29th January, 1816,	63 25
True, William, to 20th January, 1816,	8 54
Turner, P. John, to 2d September, 1815,	57 04
Waters, Jasen, to 1st September, 1815,	41 83
Weed, Jared, to 13th September, 1815,	20 09
Wade, Foster, to 2d October, 1815,	2 92
Wilder, David, to 5th November, 1815,	26 48
Wheelright, George, to 1st January, 1816,	8 37
Wagh, David, to 8th July, 1815,	81 76
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*Expenses for Horses to haul Artillery.*

Bachelor, jun. Samuel, to 4th January, 1816,	10
Brown, James, to 10th October, 1815,	12 50
Bonner, Philip, to 7th February, 1816,	35
Burr, Martin, to 14th October, 1815,	20
Batchelder, Jeremiah, to 26th October, 1815,	4 50
Crosby, Abiel, to 1st January, 1816,	8
Coolidge, Josiah, to 14th December, 1815,	15
Cobb, William, to 30th January, 1816,	42
Coffin, Samuel, to 30th October, 1815,	30
Cobb, Mc, William, to 11th October, 1815,	18
Dewey, Calvin, to 6th January, 1816,	5
Derby, Benjamin, to 12th October, 1815,	15
Elwell, Abiel, to 5th October, 1815,	5
Eastman, Robert, to 15th January, 1816,	6 25
Gilley, John, to 11th January, 1816,	10

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Graves, Samuel, to 19th January, 1816,	5
Goldthwait, Moses, to 18th January, 1816,	10
Hopkins, Charles, to 13th October, 1815,	5
Harrington, Nathaniel, to 10th October, 1815,	8 34
Heald, Ebenezer, to 16th September, 1815,	5
Kingman, Samuel, to 13th January, 1816,	5
Leighton, Isaac, to 14th September, 1815,	5
Parker, Lewis, to 4th October, 1815,	5
Putnam, Jesse, to 22d January, 1816,	8
Partridge, Nathan, to 10th October, 1815,	5
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Do. of Militia,	9,012 31
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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, to the sums of fifty-two thousand and fifty-three dollars and seventy-nine cents, the same being in full discharge of the accounts and demands to which they refer.

*February 14th, 1816.*

Approved by the Governor.

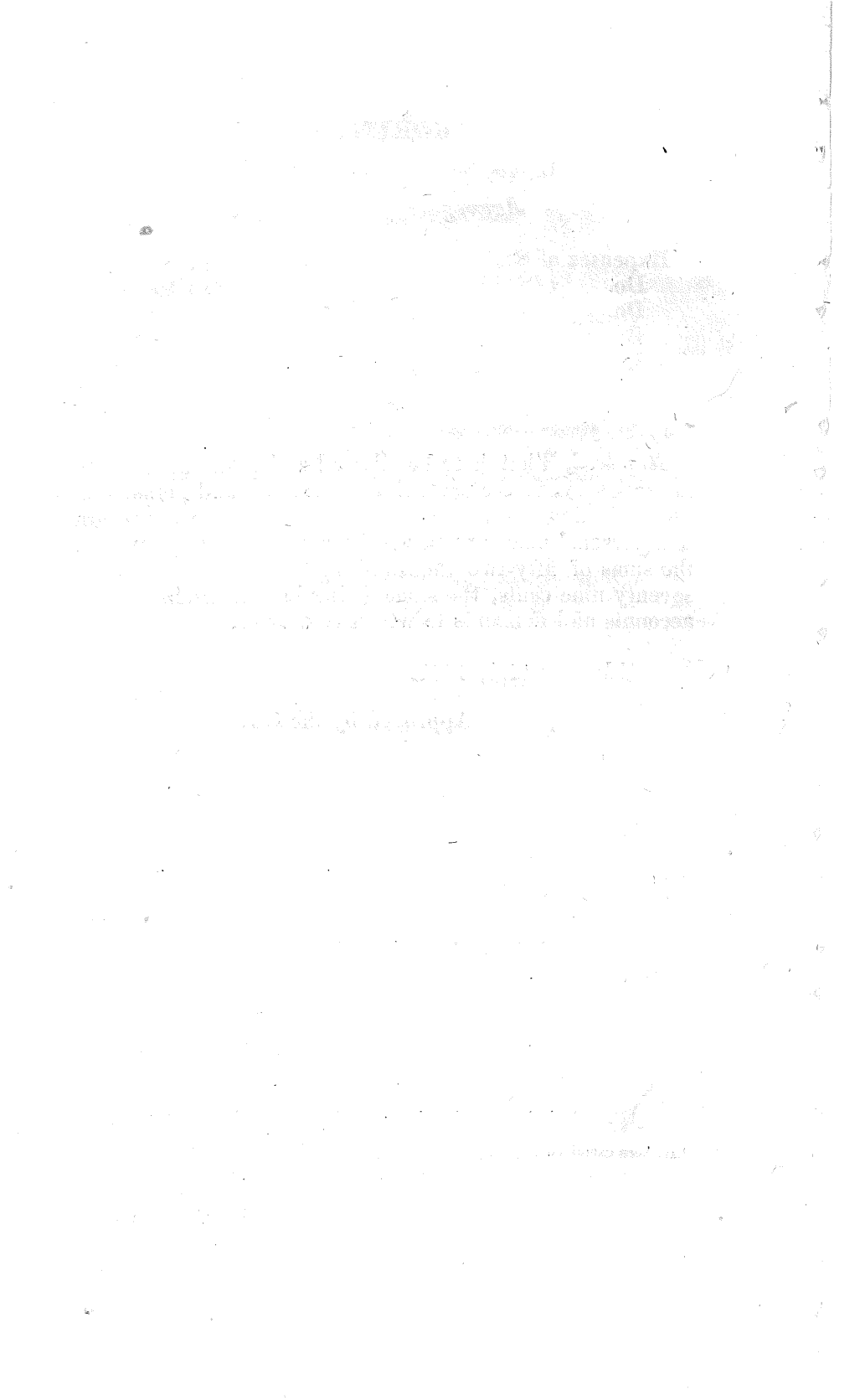
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Secretary's Office, May 28th, 1816.*

By this I certify, that the Resolves contained in this pamphlet, passed at the session of the General Court, beginning the 10th of January, and ending the 16th of February, A. D. 1816, have been examined and compared with the originals in this office, and appear to be correct.

ALDEN BRADFORD,

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*



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