Maine State Bar Association Dinner 1921

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ACTS AND RESOLVES
of the PROVINCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY, 1701
CHAPTER 7
AN ACT RELATING TO ATTORNEYS

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governour, Council and
Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the
authority of the same,

[Passed June 20; published June 21.]
CONSTITUTION
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
FORMED IN CONVENTION
AT PORTLAND OCTOBER 7TH 1819
and adopted by the町民町民 in town meetings.
ON THE SEVENTH OF DECEMBER
A.D. 1829.

We the people of Maine, in order to establish justice, ensure the peace and safety of our state, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the government of the same.

ARTICLE I.
DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.
Section 1.
All men are by nature free and independent, and have certain inherent and equal rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty; acquiring, possessing, and protecting property; and pursuing happiness.

Section 2.
All power is vested in the people, and all governments are founded on their authority and instituted for their benefit. They have dignity, are unalienable, and inalienable; and no law passed by any government shall ever abridge them, unless when their safety and happiness require it.
This Indenture made the 10th day of August Anno Dom: 1622. . . .
Witnesseth that . . . the President & Councill established at Plymouth in the County of Devon for the planting ruling and governing of New England in America . . . doe give grant bargaine sell assigne alien sett over and confirme unto ye sd Sr Ferdinando Gorges & Capt Iohn Mason their heirs and assignes all that part of ye maine land in New England lying vpon ye Sea Coast betwixt ye rivers of Merimeck & Sagadahock . . . wch said porcons of lands wth ye appurtenances the said Sr Ferdinando Gorges and Capt Iohn Mason wth the consent of ye President & Councell intend to name ye Province of Maine.

(The title "Province of Maine" first found herein.)
Menu

BLUE POINTS

CONSOMME CLEAR IN CUP
Olives Bread Sticks Celery Hearts

BAKED WHITE FISH—HOLLANDAISE
Julienne Potatoes Iced Cucumbers

ROAST NATIVE CHICKEN, STUFFED—CRANBERRY JELLY
Mashed Potatoes Hubbard Squash Parker House Rolls

ORANGE AND GRAPE FRUIT SALAD—FRENCH DRESSING

PINEAPPLE COLLEGE ICE Assorted Cake

TOASTED WATER CRACKERS Swiss Cheese

BLACKSTONE CIGARS Demi Tasse Cigarettes

SPARKLING WHITE GRAPE JUICE Poland Water

"And through the hall there walked to and fro
A jolly yeoman, marshall of the same,
Whose name was Appetite; he did bestow
Both guestes and meate, whenever in they came,
And knew them how to order without blame."

—Spenser—Faerie Queen, Bk. 2. Canto 1X
Post Prandial

President, CYRUS N. BLANCHARD, Presiding

Responses by

His Excellency, Frederic H. Parkhurst
Ex-Governor Carl E. Milliken
Justice Henry King Braley
Justice Albert M. Spear
Judge Charles F. Johnson
Justice Luere B. Deasy
Justice Fred Emery Beane
Honorable Benjamin F. Cleaves
Honorable Percival P. Baxter
Honorable Ransford W. Shaw
Honorable Charles P. Barnes
THE Committee of both Houses, to whom were referred the petitions concerning the Separation of the District of Maine from Massachusetts Proper, and forming the same into a Separate and Independent State, and also sundry Memorials against that measure, beg leave respectfully to

REPORT:

That they have considered the subject committed to them, with that deliberation, which so momentous a question deserves—a question, whether this great Commonwealth shall be divided, and the connexion which has so long, and so happily existed, shall be forever dissolved. They are sensible that nothing should be done to hasten an event, so important and lasting in its consequences. On the contrary, they would gladly strengthen and promote a union, which has, hitherto, been productive of so much good. This is not a question which concerns the District of Maine alone, but the whole Commonwealth. The Legislature of Massachusetts are called on to consent to relinquish their jurisdiction over one-third of her citizens, and the largest portion of her territory. But your Committee have not been deterred by these considerations, from listening to the prayer of the Petitioners, and from recommending such measures as they deem just and expedient, however they may regret their present application .

In the Bill which accompanies this Report, the consent of this Legislature is granted to the separation of the District of Maine, if it shall appear to be the wish of a decided majority. Should that be obtained, the Committee rejoice in the belief, that the two great branches of the Commonwealth may now part in that harmony with which they have ever been favored; that the most friendly intercourse will continue between them, and that they and their posterity will cherish the remembrance of our long and happy union. Nor is the hope less grateful, that, if the requisite majority should not be obtained, those who have wished for a separation, will cheerfully acquiesce in the result. That it will be long before the question is again agitated; that the whole Commonwealth will remain contented under the government which has hitherto protected and blessed them; and that all will unite in preserving and increasing the resources, and in promoting the common good of Massachusetts.

In the Bill which is presented, the Committee have endeavored to secure the rights of the Commonwealth, and to propose arrangements, formed on just and equitable principles. All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee,

JOSIAH QUINCY Chairman.

(June 1819)
“And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk and the work that they must do.”

Exodus 18:20

“OLD YORK COURT HOUSE.”—Built in 1810. York County Court House until 1832. Town Hall since 1874. Only Court House in Maine in 1820 and then in use, now standing.

“For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past . . .

So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom . . .

And establish thou the work of our hands upon us,

Yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.”

Psalm XC