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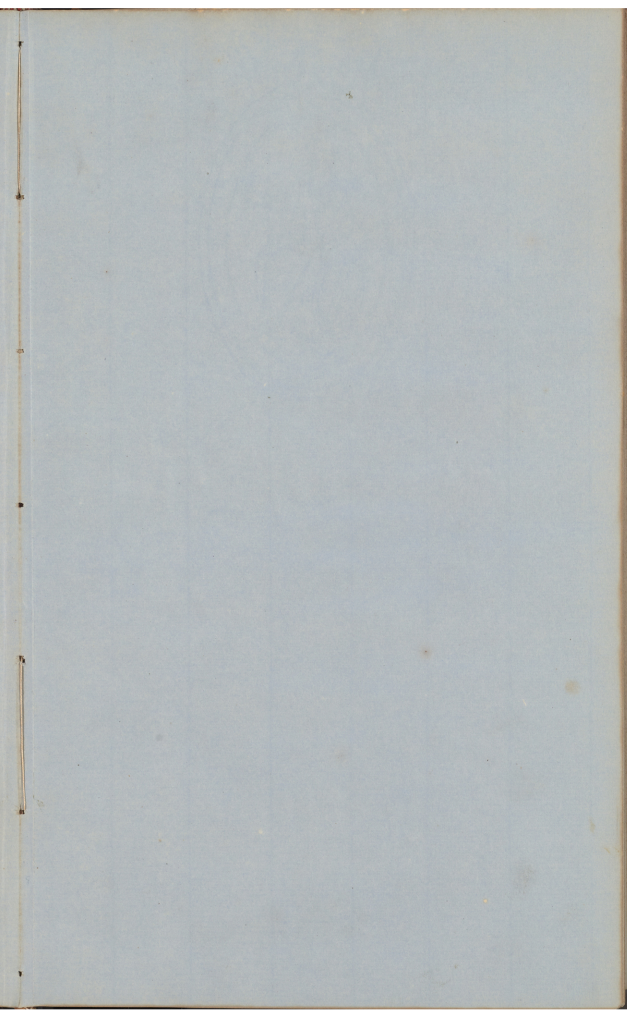
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## State of Maine.

### House of Representatives.

Augusta. Wednesday, Jan'y. 6, 1858.

This being the day assigned by the Constitution of this State for the meeting of the Legislature, the members elect of the House of Representatives in attendance at the Representatives Hall were called to order by Mr. Mayo of Ceres and upon his motion Mr. Boddy of Brunswick was appointed Chairman of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport, Messrs. Woodman of Bucksport, Libbey of Melunkus, Fild of Danville, Drane of Portland, Morrison of Farmington, Bicknell of Augusta, Estes of Woodstock, Buck of Eldtown, Merrill of Williamsburg, Saint of Boudoinham, Arnold of Skowhegan, Blaisdell of Frankfort, Pike of Eastport, Tilton of Rockland and Moore of Limerick were appointed to receive and examine the credentials of the members elect and report whether a quorum was present;

Mr. Woodman of this committee subsequently reported that they had examined the credentials of members and that a quorum of the members elect was in attendance.

2 Mr. Davis of Fairfield was charged with a message to the Governor informing him that a quorum of the members elect of the House of Representatives had assembled in the Representatives Hall, and requesting his attendance in order to administer to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Having attended to duty assigned him Mr. Davis reported, that the Governor was pleased to say that he would attend the Convention forthwith.

Whereupon the Governor, attended by the Council, and heads of departments and preceded by the Sheriff of the County of Kennebec came in, and the members elect took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and Suite then retired.

On motion of Mr. Prentiss of Bangor, Messrs. Pontiss of Bangor, Drummond of Winslow, Russell of St. George, Marshall of Belfast, Pike of Topsfield, Tapley of Saco and Brackett of Westbrook were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for clerk.

Having attended to that duty, the committee through Mr. Prentiss reported that the whole number of votes thrown was one hundred

and forty five	145.	3
necessary to a choice, seventy three,	73.	
George W. Wilcox had one		
hundred and thirteen	113.	
Joseph M. Munroe had thirty two	32.	

The report was accepted and George W. Wilcox was declared to be duly elected clerk of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta a Committee of one was appointed to accompany the clerk elect to the Chamber of the Governor and Council in order for him to take the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the performance of the duties of his office.

Mr. French was appointed said Committee and accompanied the clerk to the Council Chamber where he took and subscribed the oaths of office. All of which was subsequently reported by Mr. French to the House.

The clerk presided during the further organization of the House.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Ellsworth, Messrs. Moore of Ellsworth, Holt of Turner, Chadbourne of Standish, Hanson of Gardiner, Clark of Wells, Mayo of Arrows and Kimball of Arrows were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count votes for Speaker.

Haring attended to



that duty, the committee reported that  
 the whole number of votes thrown was  
 one hundred and forty seven 147.  
 necessary to a choice seventy four 74.  
 Josiah H. Dummer of Waterville  
 had one hundred and fourteen 144.  
 Benjamin F. Barton had thirty two 32.  
 William T. Johnson had one 1.

The report was accepted and Josiah H.  
 Dummer was declared to be duly  
 and constitutionally elected Speaker of  
 the House of Representatives for the  
 current political year.

Mr. Dummer was conducted to the  
 chair by Mr. Barton of Warren and  
 addressed the House as follows:

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives.  
 You will accept my grateful thanks for the  
 honor incident to the position your partiality  
 has assigned me. I enter upon the duties  
 with much distrust from my limited know-  
 ledge of parliamentary rules and my brief  
 experience as a Legislator.

While I shall endeavor to the utmost of my  
 ability to reflect your will, that will will  
 be best subserved by a steady adherence  
 to those rules which long usage has found  
 to promote dispatch, prevent too hasty  
 Legislation, and procure the rights of mi-  
 norities. In my efforts to accomplish this,  
 I shall rely on your forbearance and as-  
 sistance, and allow me, gentlemen to express  
 the confident hope, that we may have a  
 short, useful and harmonious session.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Milliken of Camden and also a similar message to the Governor and Council by Mr. Printiss of Bangor informing those branches of the Government that the House of Representatives had organized by the election of Josiah A. Diamond as Speaker and George W. Wilcox as Clerk. These gentlemen reported to the House, that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Camden, Messrs. Milliken of Camden, Rurbank of Lewiston, Patten of Fort Fairfield, Ingalls of Bridgton, Parsons of Custer's Plantations, Marcy of Eden and Palmer of Albion, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

Having attended to that duty the committee reported, that the whole number of votes was one hundred and thirty four. 134.  
necessary to a choice sixty eight 68.  
Charles A. Miller had one hundred and seventeen 117.  
Elias J. Hoedge had eleven 11.  
George A. White had six 6.

The report was accepted and Charles A. Miller was declared to be elected Assistant Clerk.

On motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta Ordered that B. B. Thomas be appointed Mesenger, and A. L. Norton and E. P.

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Puncher assistant messengers of this  
House for the ensuing political year.  
Read and passed.

A message was received from the Senate  
through Mr. Purpee from Lincoln inform-  
ing the House that the Senate had or-  
ganized by the choice of Hor. Seth Scam-  
man as President and Joseph R. Hall Esq  
as Secretary

A communication was received from the  
Secretary of State informing the House that  
on this day he had laid before the Sen-  
ate the returns of votes made to his of-  
fice, for Governor, for the current political  
year.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered that the re-  
turns of votes for Governor, given in the  
several cities, towns and plantations of this  
State for the current political year be  
referred to a joint select committee con-  
sisting of seven on the part of the Senate  
with such as the House may join.

This order came from the Senate having  
been read and passed, and Messrs Lo-  
throp of Somerset, Hoyt of Franklin, Perry  
of Waldo, Thomas of Cumberland, Fletcher  
of Kennebec, Hobart of Washington, and  
Plaisted of Penobscot, appointed said  
committee on the part of the Senate.  
The order was read and passed in con-  
currence, and on motion of Mr. Hobbs of  
Waterford, Messrs Hobbs of Waterford, Hagar.

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of Richmond. Lane of Poland. Ruston of  
Warren. Bowen of Portland. Woodbury of  
Hulltown. Parker of Dedham. Porter of  
Lowell. Chick of Madrid. Pike of Calais.  
Kimball of Athens. Rowell of Hallowell  
Kenant of Appleton. Loring of Guilford  
and Sweet of York were joined to said  
committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport  
Ordered, that the clerk of the House be  
directed to cause to be supplied to the  
members and officers of the House during  
the session, one copy each of the Legis-  
lative newspapers, published by the con-  
ductors of the Kennebec Journal and of  
the Age. Read and passed -

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Belfast.  
Ordered, that the clerk of the House be  
directed to invite the several clergymen  
of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to  
officiate as Chaplains to the House, and  
to assign to such of them as accept the  
invitation, their several days of service.  
Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Morrison of Farming-  
ton. Ordered, that the rules and orders  
of the last House of Representatives, be  
adopted for the government of this House  
until otherwise ordered, and the Secretary  
of State be directed to deliver to the  
mefingers the copies reserved last year  
for the use of the House. Read and  
passed.



On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta  
 Ordered, that a committee of five be appointed to report to this House, rules and orders, for the government of its proceedings  
 Read and passed, and Messrs Johnson of Augusta, Moore of Limonick, Roody of Brunswick, Banks of Biddeford and Davis of Fairfield were appointed said Committee—

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Rachi,  
 Ordered, that ten o'clock, A.M. of each day be established as the hour when this House will meet in session, until otherwise ordered. Read and passed.

Adjourned.

Attest, Geo. W. Wilcox  
 Clerk

Thursday January 7<sup>th</sup> 1858

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Webb of Augusta,

Mr. Moore, of Limenick announced to the House that Mr. Parks of South Berwick a member elect of this House, was not present yesterday and had not been qualified. By direction of the Speaker Mr. Moore was requested to accompany Mr. Parks to the Council Chamber for the purpose of his taking the oaths of office. He subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him and that Mr. Parks had taken and subscribed the usual oaths.

The Speaker announced the monitors of the House as follows;

First Division	Marcus of Edw
Second "	Patten of Fort Fairfield
Third "	Pettingill of Wayne
Fourth "	Roak of Durham
Fifth "	Porter of Sebago
Sixth "	Waiside of Frankfurt
Seventh "	Holt of Turner
Eighth "	Pike of Eastport

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered, that the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to the House of Representatives one copy of Webster's Dictionary unabridged, one copy of Greenleaf's map of Maine and one copy of the Revised Statutes, and that

the clerk be directed to have printed on  
the cover of the Dictionary in gilt letters  
the words "House of Representatives"  
Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Waterford  
the House adjourned.

Attest George W. Milcup  
Clerk

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Friday January 8<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Colby of Augusta.

Order from the Senate. Ordered that a committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be raised to prepare joint rules and orders for the government of the two houses for 1858. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs Wasson of Hancock, Burbank of Cumberland and Hobbs of Waldo, were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. The order was read and passed in concurrence and Messrs Johnson of Augusta, Moon of Lincolnton, Boody of Brunswick, Banks of Biddeford and Davis of Fairfield were joined to said committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Boody of Brunswick the House suspended for this day the sixty second rule of the House.

The report of the joint select committee, to whom was referred the returns of votes for Governor was made in the Senate and came from that branch having been read and accepted.

It was read and accepted in concurrence in the House and is as follows:



Whole number of votes	97.668
necessary to a choice	48.535
Lot M. Morrill has	54.473
Manassah A. Smith has	42.940
George T. Patten	180
Edward Kent	8
Joseph Patten	1
Noah Smith Jr.	2
George T. Talbot	1
Ezekiel Holmes	6
David Bronson	3
Manassah A. Smith	1
Freeman A. Morse	3
Thomas A. Talbot	5
Joseph T. Noyes	1
George Patten	1
Isaac Reed	1
Stephen Rich	1
Edward Fox	1
Eliphalet Greely	1
Mark Shepherd	1
Seward Merrill	5
Joshua S. Green	2
Asa Coombs	1
Kendrick Wade	2
Noah Smith	1
A. P. Merrill	3
Abram Sanborn	1
Robert Thompson	1
George F. Williard	1
Capt. Patten	1
George Evans	1
L. W. Patten	1
E. P. Baldwin	1
Wm. P. Noble	1
Neal Dow	7

Order from the Senate. Ordered that a committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be chosen to wait upon the Hon. Lot W. Merrill and inform him that he has been elected by the people, Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed and Messrs Chapman of Lincoln, Hamlin of Penobscot and Dane of York were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence and Messrs Johnson of Augusta, Davis of Buxton, Pike of Topshfield, Arnold of Skowhegan, Buck of Eldtown, Tillson of Rockland, and Spooner of New Portland were joined to said committee on the part of the House.

The report of this committee was subsequently made to the House through its Chairman Mr. Johnson of Augusta, who reported that said committee had discharged the duty assigned them, and the Governor elect was pleased to say that he accepted the office to which he had been elected, and would meet the Legislature at such time as it would indicate, to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to enable him to enter upon the performance of his duties.

On motion of Mr. Prody of Brunswick,  
Ordered, that a message be sent to the  
Senate proposing a convention of the two  
bodies at ten minutes past eleven o'clock  
this day, in the Hall of the House of  
Representatives, for the purpose of ad-  
ministering the oaths of office to the Gov-  
ernor elect and of receiving from him  
such communications as he may be pleased  
to make. Read and passed.

Mr. Prody was charged with the message,  
and he subsequently reported that he had  
performed the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate  
through its Secretary Joseph R. Wall Esq.,  
signifying the concurrence of that body in  
the proposition of the House for a con-  
vention to qualify the Governor elect.

At the time assigned the Senate came in  
and a convention was formed.

### In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Rurbank of Cumberland  
Ordered, that a message be sent to the  
Governor elect informing him that the  
Legislature had assembled in convention  
in the Hall of the House of Representa-  
tives for the purpose of administering to  
him the oaths of office required by the  
Constitution and laws in order to enable  
him to enter upon the discharge of his  
official duties and also to receive such

communications as he might be pleased  
to make.

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Mr. Kurland of Cumberland was charged  
with the message, and he afterwards re-  
ported that he had performed the duty  
assigned him, and that the Governor  
elect was pleased to say that he would  
forthwith be in attendance upon the Con-  
vention for the purposes indicated in the  
message—

Whereupon the Governor elect, attended by  
the Council and Heads of departments  
and preceded by the Sheriff of the County  
of Kennebec, came in and in presence  
of the two Houses of the Legislature, and  
before the President of the Senate took  
and subscribed the oaths required by  
the Constitution and the laws to qualify  
him to enter upon the discharge of his  
official duties.

The Secretary of State then made the  
usual proclamation, after which the Gov-  
ernor was pleased to communicate to the  
Convention by message, information upon  
the affairs and condition of the State  
as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate  
and of the House of Representatives.

We have assembled, in obedience to  
the will of the people, intrusted with high  
responsibilities and duties. Acknowledging  
our moral accountability to the Supreme  
Ruler of the universe, and conscious that



in His hands are the destinies of nations. may we fervently hope to be guided by His wisdom, that we may perform our duties aright and thereby promote the general welfare.

The State is necessarily involved in the general financial embarrassment under which the nation is suffering. Although happily free from any great national calamity, and blessed with all the elements of prosperity, a general and wide spread derangement prevails, producing a revolution in all the departments of business and enterprise throughout the country - a revolution which not only prostrates the most accredited houses and moneyed institutions, but in its comprehensive sweep has touched the springs of labor, paralyzed the activities of ordinary pursuits and leaving thousands of our fellow men dependent upon their labor, without employment and the means of support, and presenting the anomalous spectacle of want and distress in a nation blessed with unexampled general prosperity and wholly free from any great public calamity.

With no desire to exaggerate the public distress, and with no purpose of an extended discussion of the causes which have been productive of the present condition of affairs, it is important that these causes should be rightly apprehended and noted, to enable us to draw from them the practical duties of the present and the future.

The crisis in which the country is involved is not altogether unlooked for, or un-

natural. Panics and revulsions have occurred in the commercial world, with nearly each successive generation during the last two hundred years. There have been repeated days of adversity, and men have not considered. The law of compensation seems not to apply here, as elsewhere. The oft recurring disasters in commerce, embarrassments in trade, distress in business have not served to inculcate that measure of wisdom essential to a renovation of the pernicious business systems which prevail; and necessary to prevent a recurrence of similar periods of panic and revulsion.

A variety of causes have undoubtedly contributed to the present embarrassed condition in the monetary and business affairs of the country. A general statement embracing many of them, is that which attributes in a great measure to overaction in all the departments of business and enterprise, and extravagance of expenditures in both public and private affairs. The incentives to this public and private excess, are numerous and strong, general and special.

The American mind acts perpetually under an intense sentiment of nationality. If our example may be said to inspire the democracy of other nations with the loftiest ideas in respect to the mission of "the model republic" it is equally true that our own people share in the inspiration. Its physical nature and position, and its advancement in all the elements of natural power and greatness are equally inspiring; its territory already embracing one-tenth of the habitable globe, from

thirteen feeble colonies having increased to thirty one independent State sovereignties, and still forming in rapid succession; its agriculture, rewarding the husbandman with marvellous abundance; its commerce having already placed it in the first rank of commercial nations; its railroads intersecting the country at all points, and involving the outlay of hundreds of millions of dollars; its manufactures and mechanic arts having reached the point of successful competition with the oldest nations; these serve perpetually to stimulate the people, and to beget in them a spirit of restless enterprise, and of extreme activity.

This overpowering national impulse finds its gratification, also, in corresponding private and social displays - in elegant mansions, costly furniture, splendid equipage, and divested of high aims takes on the more questionable character of indulgence in mere trappings; and thus the habits of domestic and social life become changed, from those of simplicity to those of extravagance. Considering the general tendency to excess, the absence of all positive restraints, or checks, the wonder is not that derangement and embarrasment happen to the individual and the community, but that they do not come with greater frequency. The nation needs the restraints of the check, not the incentives of the spur, to its aspirations and endeavors.

To what extent the currency of the country has contributed to the present condition of affairs, there is every variety and shade of opinion. The Banks, practically, under our system, furnish the almost exclusive currency

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for the people.

Not to discuss the merits of a system which so universally prevails, and with which this State is connected through its own banking institutions, and which renders any attempt at radical change at once difficult, if not impracticable—this much at least should be considered, whether there are not defects in it which the public security demand should be provided for.

One important objection to a paper currency, is supposed to exist in its liability to sudden expansions and contractions, to the prejudice of the business of the community, and affecting the value of the property and productions of the country, by affecting the measure of value, by the enlargement of it to-day and the diminution of it to-morrow. Perfect uniformity in any currency is unattainable, yet that which approaches nearest a specie currency is most likely to be uniform. As the circulation of the Banks throughout the country is now small, and the influx of specie large, the present may be regarded as a favorable opportunity for some prospective measure designed to retain specie in more general circulation. This object might be obtained, and the circulation of the precious metals among the people in ordinary business provided for, by prohibiting the circulation of small bills. Whether this method is not practicable, especially in concert with other States in New England, I submit to your careful consideration.



The belief is general that the banking system in this country is not as perfect as it ought to be, and as the interests of the people require. The generally conceded fact that these institutions by their alternate expansions and contractions, have contributed to the present financial derangement, together with their inability to meet their own promises to pay, when the crisis came on, is conclusive evidence both of radical defect in the system, and of its injurious character. Bank notes are a mere contrivance to effect some of the purposes of money; their value consists in their promises to pay a certain amount of money, and that the persons among whom they circulate, believe these promises will be kept. The character of the bank, like that of the merchant will depend upon its positive ability to perform its promises. It does not necessarily follow, that no issue ought to be made beyond the reserve of specie retained in hand. The very purpose of the bank is to make other descriptions of property serve, to a certain extent, the purpose of specie. But what should be demanded of the banks, and they should be put upon such footing as to require it; is that while the banker may be permitted so to manage as to have the least practicable amount of specie lying idle, with largest practicable circulation he should be held, upon his perils to keep within his capacity of turning his effects into specie so rapidly as to meet any possible demands from the bills. Any system which does not absolutely require this much, and any practice of the banks which puts it beyond their power to

perform this much is deemed to be wholly wrong and unsafe. There should be no contingency where this rule should be relaxed. As much is implied in the duties of the bank to the public, and as much is demanded by the safety of the public. A suspension of specie payments by the banks, is either a violent implication upon the system, or upon its management.

The multiplicity of banks in the State is an evil, and a spirit of rivalry among banks is promotive of evil. The legitimate purpose of banking is to facilitate the business of the community. Banks should be located with strict reference to actual business wants. Where such wants are fully met by one bank, another should not be created. Experience has shown that competition between small banks leads to the encouragement of a class of paper not contemplated by the laws.

It is not understood that the temporary inability of our banks to make specie payments, results from any want of ultimate ability to discharge all their liabilities. Nor is there just apprehension of their soundness and the security of the public as connected with them. On the contrary they have maintained their credit with commendable promptitude during the prevalence of severest repulsion.

Your judgment is invited to the consideration of the question, whether any measures are necessary to prevent a recurrence of banks suspensions, and to provide against the effects upon the country consequent thereon.

Whatever checks or restraints you may think proper to throw around the system to protect the community against injurious influences, from that quarter, for the future, if it be true that to a great extent, the present prostrate condition of the business of the country, and the apparent scarcity of money is attributable to extravagance of investment and individual extravagance - investment which has made no adequate return, and extravagance beyond the income - then it is obvious that the remedy the case admits of and requires, for permanent relief, is retrenchment and economy of investment and economy of expenditure, in all departments, public and private, individual and personal - an economy which shall criticize the fitness of the smallest item of outlay, and force within the narrowest limits both public and private disbursements. Embarrassment has not come because the sources of wealth are not abundant, both in the bounties of nature and the creative art of our people, but simply because we have not accumulated by frugality.

It is not too much to add, that the economy of living, a real virtue, is too little understood and practiced by all classes among us; and that we are not, in our habits and tastes, sufficiently American, but in these defer to foreign customs, and unwise and unpatriotically prefer the imported fabric and production to those of American skill and labor.

The public laws having undergone a thorough consolidation under the observation of the last Legislature, and thereby superseding any sup-

posed necessity for general legislation at present, and the probability of small demand for special legislation from general prostration of business, would seem to authorize the hope that, with a determination formed at the outset and acted upon persistently, the needful business of the session may be transacted in less time than is usual. Coor-legislation is an evil: frequent changes and amendments of the laws are impolitic and unwise; next to certainty, the stability of the laws, is of the utmost importance. It is only when so regarded that a presumptive knowledge of the laws is not an absurdity.

In the furtherance of these views, and in the practice of that State economy which is especially due, at this time, towards the people we represent, let us carefully refrain from all measures not clearly demanded, and let whatever is required be dispatched with that promptitude which shall exhibit a spirit of generous devotion to the public weal.

With States, as with individuals, uninterrupted prosperity is not to be expected; yet it is believed that the retrospect of the brief history of our State, affords most gratifying evidence of public prosperity, and holds out to the future cheering prospects of coming advancement in all the essential elements of a great commonwealth.

With the increase of our population and the progress of settlements under the encouragement of a liberal policy adopted by the Legislature, manufactures have sprung up in the State, and have become a successful and permanent branch of the business of our people.



The enterprise of our people, keeping pace with the general movements which have prevailed throughout the country for improvements in the means of intercommunication, has led to the construction of lines of railway, which, while they afford facilities for the frequent intercourse of our people, and serve to develop the natural resources of the State, and stimulate to increased activity its enterprise and industry, have put us in direct and easy communication with the most remote parts of the country, and afford also facilities for the most extended internal and external commerce of the State by their extension into Canada and connection with the railways of that country.

Incited by the natural advantages of our extended sea coast, affording safe and commodious harbors, our citizens have, with characteristic energy, engaged in commerce, navigation and the fisheries. Maine furnishes annually more of the tonnage which constitutes the splendid fleet of the merchant marine of the nation, than any one of her sister States - is second to one only of these States in the amount of her tonnage employed in the coastwise trade, and to one only in the extent of her fisheries. While her agricultural and mechanic interests have greatly increased, and the moral, social and intellectual conditions of the people have received corresponding attention.

It is believed the natural capabilities of the State are favorable to the highest advancement in all the elements of a prosperous commonwealth. Its advantages of commerce, through its extended sea coast, capacious and safe

harbors are unrivalled. Its inexhaustible waterfalls, afford a cheap and constant power sufficient for all the useful machinery of the nation. Its forests afford lucrative employment for a numerous class of her citizens, and furnish a large item for exportation, and will continue to be an unfailing source of wealth not easily overestimated in its importance to the labor and enterprise of the State.

It has also vast agricultural resources. If its soil is not equal in fertility to the valley of the Mississippi, it is, in great part, superior to most of the New England States, in this respect, and it is believed that the faithful husbandman has here never failed of his due reward.

Upon an intelligent review of its physical position, capabilities and natural advantages, there is no reason for regretting that it has not blander skies and more fertile soil.

Its unrivalled advantages for commerce and navigation, manufactures and mechanic arts, more than counterbalanced any supposed disparity in these respects. If in the future, the State lingers in the rear of her sister States, in that grand march of progress and advancement, which the nation is making to the highest achievement, physical and moral, rest asured the fault is our own.

A State regarded as a permanent habitation for man, and as a theatre also for the development of his moral and intellectual powers, is not to be determined wholly or in chief, by the fertility of the soil. The advantages of commerce, manufactures and the mechanic arts are of vast importance to the general prosperity and elevation

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of a people. These remarks are suggested by the apprehensions of a growing disposition among our people to undervalue their privileges and advantages, and to abandon them for what are regarded fairer prospects elsewhere. Not to institute invidious comparisons between any portions of our widely extended and greatly diversified country, the assertion may be ventured, that amidst the rush and agitation of elements, harmonious and inharmonious, the infinite commingling of alien and native and the counteracting forces under and by which American society is driven forward, particularly at those points where the ceaseless tide of foreign emigration flows, nowhere can a home be found where the blessings of health, comfort and competence, and privileges, social, moral and intellectual abound more than here. Above all, our people should cherish a sentiment for "New England homes" based upon an intelligent appreciation of the privileges and peculiarities in which we differ, as well as the great privileges of citizenship possessed in common with the nation.

The importance and necessity of agriculture to a State, is universally conceded. It is, and must ever continue to be, the great leading interest of our people. While manufactures, commerce and the mechanic arts have their importance as branches of public industry, agriculture lies at the foundation of all. Unlike those countries where the land is held by a few proprietors, and is principally occupied in large tracts

by tenants, who cultivate it by labor, having no interest in the soil, here the land is owned by those who till it on their own account, in comparatively small farms and who, drawing their support from sources independent of the fluctuations of trade, and the favors of government, constitute at once a reliable and important portion of the community.

The progress of agriculture in this State has not kept pace with the skills and improvements displayed in other departments of industry; a variety of causes have contributed to the general apathy upon the subject not necessary here to notice.

A more hopeful sentiment is beginning to prevail. Societies under the patronage of the State have been formed for the promotion of general agriculture, and its bounty has been granted to these societies, and it is believed that they are exerting a salutary influence.

A State board of agriculture has also been organized under the act of 1856. Its existence is too brief, and its field of operations and observations too limited, to determine what may be the extent of its future usefulness.

Much good may be anticipated from its annual investigation of subjects of agriculture, horticulture and kindred subjects, and from the publication of the results of these investigations for the general information of the agriculturists of the State. Much useful and important information may be furnished through the report of the Secretary of the Board, whose duty it is to publish



a detailed report "of the doings of the Board, together with a digest of the several agricultural and horticultural societies, and of such statistics as he may be able to collect, with such recommendations and suggestions as the interests of agriculture may require." This report will be laid before you.

Intimately connected with this subject having the most important bearing upon the growth and prosperity of the State, is the settlement of our territory with intelligent and industrious citizens. The Aroostook County, by far the most fertile of our lands makes slow and imperfect progress in settlements for want of facilities for transportation and intercommunication. If any method can be devised by which an object so desirable can be promoted, it would be for the highest interest of the State, at once, to embrace it. It has ever been regarded an object of the deepest solicitude, and the Legislature has from time to time appropriated means for the construction of roads for this purpose. These are necessarily imperfect, and, compared with modern modes of transportation, unsatisfactory.

I invite your careful consideration of this whole subject, in a spirit of enlightened liberality, and cannot too urgently press it upon your attention.

The constitution declares that "a general diffusion of the advantages of education is essential to the preservation of the rights and liberties of the people;" and it enjoins upon the Legislature the duty of requiring of the several towns and cities suitable provision

for the support of public schools and also requires the endowment of colleges and academies. Heroin is the recognition of the maxim that a republican government must rest on the intelligence of the people.

Education, intellectual and moral culture for all was ordained as the means for the establishment and support of civil and religious liberty. Coeval with our political forms of government, was the establishment of a system of common schools. Sedulously provided for as the first care of the State, watched over with paternal solicitude and sustained by an unbounded munificence, it has come down to us. It lies at the basis of the State's deepest concerns, as common to all, and as the broad foundation of all other institutions of learning; and while it may claim your first attention, it should not be forgotten that the genius of our government is equally the fostering parent of the college and the academy into which, from the common school, those who are prompted by an innate ambition to excel in the higher walks of education, may go, and then qualify themselves for successful competition for the highest prizes of the State.

The times will not admit of reduction in the general standard of intelligence among the people. We are indebted to the intelligence, high culture and strong virtue of the original settlers, for our institutions.

To maintain the splendid superstructure of civil and religious liberty, which has been built upon the foundations laid by those who originally came here with motives

of the highest social, political and moral character: against the sinister influences which have succeeded, as well as the general demoralization of the nation, popular education should be amply provided for, and a high standard of intelligence secured. Notwithstanding the severity of the times and the necessity of the practice of a rigid economy in public and private expenditures, I deem it worthy your consideration whether the interests of the common schools do not demand the establishment of a school for the qualification of teachers. It is quite apparent, from the legislation of the past few years, that the people of the State, in the bestowal of its bounties, have a partiality for those schools.

If this sentiment should continue, it will be found necessary to provide for a supply of teachers, which heretofore has been sent out from the academies. For information as to the actual condition and wants of the system of common schools, you are referred to the report of the Superintendent, which will be laid before you.

Of the operations of the land office, a detailed statement will be found in the report of the Land Agent; and I am not aware that any new legislation for material changes in the present system will be called for.

Your early attention is invited to the affairs of the Prison at Thomaston. Its crowded condition renders some alteration or extension in its internal arrangement necessary to accommodate the present inmates, not to anticipate further commitments. The main prison has one hundred and eight

cells. There are now one hundred and thirteen inmates, a portion of whom occupy apartments designed and required for the sick. Some alteration of the work shops is required also, to enable the Wardens to employ the men to advantage. To meet these necessities, an appropriation will be required.

The reports from the Trustees and Superintendents of the Insane Asylum and Reform School, will inform you as to their condition, management, and necessities. They exist upon the bounty of the State, and make constant appeals to its enlightened liberality for support. Too high an estimate cannot be placed upon our charitable and reformatory institutions. I commend them to the especial care of the Legislature.

The State has still unsettled claims upon the general government, for balance of interest upon advances made on the protection of the north eastern territory; for expenses of commissioners to ascertain the rights of settlers in the late disputed territory entitled to indemnity under the treaty of Washington, for value of lands set off to settlers under that treaty. You may learn the nature and extent of these claims from the report of the agent at Washington, engaged in presenting the same, which will be laid before you. Any special action on this subject is referred to your judgment.

The constitution of the United States contemplates an organized, armed and disciplined militia, in the several States, to be



officers and trained by their authority, according to the discipline prescribed by Congress.

The State constitution declares that "no person of the age of eighteen, and under the age of forty five, excepting quakers and shakers,

Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, ministers of the gospel, and officers of the militia, who have been honorably discharged, shall be exempt from the performance of military duty, unless he shall pay an equivalent to be fixed by law."

The duty of providing for "a well regulated militia," is imposed upon the State by the constitution and laws of the United States; recognizing this obligation the State constitution exacts military service or an equivalent, of a certain description of its citizens.

It does not seem to be contemplated that the whole class of persons upon whom military service is thus imposed, will, in time of peace be required to perform active duty, but may be exempt therefrom by payment of an equivalent. Such are the habits of our people, and the position of the State, that a small force only seems required to be organized for active duty. The militia should rest upon the constitutional basis, and not depend upon the bounty of the State.

That description of persons upon whom military service is imposed by the constitution, would cheerfully pay such slight equivalent, to be exempted from active duty, as the Legislature should deem necessary to defray the expenses of such volunteer soldiery as would be required for active service. With

this view. I recommend that all persons contemplated by the constitution as subjects of military service, be enrolled in the manner now provided for by law but subjected to no active duty; and that the uniformed militia now authorized for active duty, be reduced to at least three thousand men, with suitable provision for rations while on duty.

The frequent complaints of the system of attachments or *mesne process*, and the sentiment more or less prevalent for some provision for the equitable distribution of estates of insolvent debtors, would seem to call for some consideration of the subject by the Legislature. The matter is submitted to your judgment.

For a statement of the financial condition of the State, you are referred to the report of the Treasurer. It is not understood to be at all flattering. An approximate estimate of expenditures and receipts for the current year, will show the annual income of the State to be insufficient to meet its current expenditures, and will leave a deficit at the end of the year of some sixty thousand dollars.

An increase of state tax upon the present valuation would not seem to be desirable or equitable. How then shall the Treasury be relieved? It may be found practicable in one of two ways, or in both, namely, by transferring a portion of the demands upon it to other quarters, or by reducing the expenditures. The costs of criminal prosecutions are an annual drain

upon the Treasury of between thirty-five thousand and forty thousand dollars, and it may be worthy of consideration whether these expenses might not, with propriety and economy, be defrayed by the several counties in which they originated, both as a present relief and as a permanent requirement. With a view to further relief I commend to your close examination the items of anticipated disbursements, and the enforcement of a rigid economy in every department of expenditure, suggesting especially that the item of legislative expenses may, and ought to be greatly diminished; and herein may your session have the special merit of being an industrious and short one, and thus alleviate the public burdens.

The people of the State view with deep solicitude the subject of the traffic in intoxicating drinks. The prevalence of intemperance consequent upon the nearly unrestricted traffic, is just cause for public alarm. The sentiment is nearly universal as to the common danger from this source, and the demand for some adequate remedy is equally universal. The sentiment as to the best methods of relief is not equally concordant, and from this want of harmony there is reason to apprehend that the cause of temperance, which all right minded citizens desire to promote, may suffer harm.

It is contended that in this great reform, reliance must be placed in efforts strictly moral, and that all legislative penalties are unwise and injurious — that men

cannot be reformed of their habits by penal enactments. There may be more or less truth in this position; its fallacy, however, consists in assigning to the Legislature a province essentially foreign to it. The Legislature assumes to deal with the traffic, as it is supposed to affect injuriously the well being of the State, and does not address itself to the moral sense of the individual as to what is right or wrong in moral conduct merely. The legislator takes cognizance of the prevalence of a traffic which afflicts the State with crime, pauperism and disorder, and according to his observation is injurious to the public morals, health and general prosperity, and for those reasons he seeks to suppress it.

Upon this, as upon other subjects, there may be intemperate legislation, which shall react against the salutary objects sought to be promoted; but upon this, as upon all other important subjects, there may be found, it is to be hoped, a common principle or basis upon which intelligent and well disposed men may unite for the promotion of the common object.

With the lights of experience and a sense of the magnitude of the evil, and with a general feeling among the people that this whole subject is pre-eminently a moral question, the times, it is believed, are favorable to calm deliberation and united effort with the common purpose of enacting the most efficient and expedient law possible — the most efficient because the most expedient.



That the evil falls within the power of the Legislature, and that the exercise of its power is expedient, is sustained by the legislation of this country from its earliest settlement. The right of this exercise of the legislative power over the subject conceded, it only remains, as a practical question, to determine the extent of the power, and how far it is expedient to exercise it. All will agree that it is expedient to exercise so much conceded, or ascertained power as may be required to accomplish the object.

Happily the extent of the conservative power of the State, on this and kindred subjects, has been clearly defined and settled by the Judiciary in this country, both federal and state.

The present Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, in pronouncing the opinion of the court in a case involving this right of the State, says: "Every State may regulate its internal traffic according to its judgment and upon its own views of the interests and well being of its citizens. If any State deems the retail and traffic in ardent spirits injurious to its citizens, and calculated to produce idleness, vice and debauchery. I see nothing in the constitution of the United States to prevent it from regulating and restraining the traffic, and prohibiting it altogether, if it think proper. The acknowledged police power of the State extends often to the destruction of property. Every thing prejudicial to the health and morals of the community may be removed,

If the foreign article be injurious to the health and morals of the country, a State may in the exercise of that great and conservative police power, which lies at the foundation of its prosperity, prohibit the sale of it."

The decisions of our own State Court are equally comprehensive and explicit. The late Chief Justice employs these languages. "The State, by its legislative enactments, acting prospectively, may determine that articles injurious to public health or morals, shall not constitute property within its jurisdiction. It may come to the conclusion that spirituous liquors, when used as a beverage, are productive of a great variety of ills and evils to the people, both in their individual and in their associate relations; that the least use of them for such a purpose is injurious, and suited to produce, by a greater use, serious injury to the comfort, morals and health; that the common use of them for such a purpose operates to diminish the productivity of labor, to injure the health, to impose upon the people additional and unnecessary burdens, to produce waste of time and of property, to introduce disorder and disobedience to law, to disturb the peace, and to multiply crimes of every grade. Such conclusions would be justified by the experience and history of man. If a Legislature should declare that no person should acquire any property in them, for such a purpose, there would be no occasion for complaint that it had violated any provision of the constitution."

The same doctrine prevails in Massachusetts. The Legislature may declare the possession of certain articles of property, either absolutely, or in particular places and under particular circumstances, to be unlawful, because they would be injurious, dangerous or destructive, and may provide for the seizure and confiscation, or destruction thereof, by due process of law."

The State, then, it will be perceived, has plenary power over the traffic in intoxicating drinks, and "may regulate, restrain or prohibit it altogether" — "may declare that the least use of intoxicating drinks, as a beverage is injurious," that "such conclusions would be justified by the experience and history of man," that "no person should acquire any property in them, for a beverage," and that "it may provide for their confiscation and destruction."

Thus, with great perspicuity, has the judicial mind of the country, federal and state, determined the province and the prerogatives of the Legislature, in relation to this important subject; and our own State court has, in the language above quoted, with equal clearness indicated a "formula within the scope of which it may be expedient to exercise the power "to prohibit the traffic in ardent spirits as a beverage, and "to provide for the confiscation and destruction thereof by due process of law."

The expediency of this exercise of power is, in my judgment, equally clear upon principle. If it be assumed that the traffic

in intoxicating drinks for a beverage be injurious, then it necessarily follows that such traffic cannot, with propriety, be permitted — cannot be licensed or tolerated — but the enacting power must forbid it altogether. And this rule is as imperative in legislation as in morals — prohibition is the only intelligent action in this case of a conceded wrong.

The annals of legislation in this country upon this subject may also be appealed to, in proof of the correctness of this position, as a practical question. The license system has proved wholly inadequate every where. Under it, the sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors have greatly increased. Our type of intemperance, both as to quantity and quality of liquors used, is severer than is known elsewhere. Experience proves how futile are all attempts to subject to authority, and wisely control, a practice which claims to act by permission. The utmost vigilance over licensed houses has always been in vain — all efforts to prevent abuse of authority to no purpose.

Under the present law the traffic in intoxicating drinks for a beverage is becoming quite general in all the cities and towns. It is fraught with its innumerable evils to the State with beggary and crime. It may well be considered whether, for such use, it should not be declared contraband.

While experience and history clearly indicate the duty of the State to prohibit the traffic, for a beverage, it is not equally clear that those liquors have not important



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uses in medicine and the arts - if, indeed, the converse be not true, and therefore it would seem their sale for such purposes should be provided for to such extent, and under such restrictions and regulations as the public interests and safety require. I commend the whole subject to your especial attention.

In a popular form of government where the efficiency of the laws will depend upon the unanimity of the people in their support, particularly in that class of enactments which intimately effect the social habits of the community, it is highly important they should have the popular sanction. With the hope, also, that some common ground may be found upon which all well wishers to public sobriety may unite, and thus place the question by a decided expression of the people in their primary assembly, above the reach of mere partizan aims, I commend to your consideration, whether it be not wise to submit to them, for approval in such manner as shall most likely elicit a general expression, any law you may enact upon the subject.

Such is our plan of government that each State has a deep stake in whatever affects the general welfare. By it the several States are made to move around the general government as a common centre, and to receive from it their national character, while each moves within its own sphere, and is left perfectly free to the pursuits and policy peculiar to its interests; and hence the people of the several States must ever view

with deepest solicitude, the acts of the national government bearing upon this two-fold relation.

While it is conceded that no more general power can be exercised than has been expressly delegated, experience proves that the most important results depend upon the interpretation of this power, and that out of this interpretation have sprung diverse policies, giving rise to, and keeping alive, political parties in the several States and nation.

It is in this manner, also, that constitutional governments, by false interpretation, become distorted, perverted, and at length revolutionized, the constitution itself remaining unchanged.

The nation has entered upon an epoch of such interpretation of its constitution and theory of government. Its immediate effect is seen in the dissolution and reconstruction of political parties, while the remote consequences are shadowed forth in the new government policy, new sentiments and opinions which are inculcated upon the subject of negro slavery.

At the period of the formation of the government, the character of negro slavery and the traffic in slaves had been accurately estimated and determined by the civilized nations of the earth, in regard to which there was no difference of sentiment or opinion among the mass of the people of this country, its statesmen, philosophers and philanthropists.

It was held to exist in derogation of the natural rights of the slave - that it was

an unmitigated evil - that it was the duty and interest of the nation to discountenance and inhibit the traffic, and restrict slavery to the localities where it existed by force of the local law. The colonies had denounced the mother country for its participation in its establishment, and for neglect of duty in its refusal to co-operate with them for its abolition. At the period of the revolution, and during the confederation of the States, the detestation of which slavery was held by the people is expressed in their literature, laws, jurisprudence, resolutions of their Legislatures and primary assemblies, and the acts of the Congress. When the constitution was formed, as a nation the American people had adopted and published to the world, as the fundamental principles of that liberty they sought to establish through the forms of government, political maxims wholly opposed to all forms of slavery. They had proclaimed their hostility to the slave trade and slavery itself - they had provided against its spread into any portion of the territories, and contemplated its final extinction. The nation began its career by the recognition of the inalienable rights of man as self-evident political truths, as forming the basis of all just governments, and as containing the principles of political morality and immutable rectitude.

The constitution of the United States was based upon and recognized the same principles and theory of government, which had been before asserted; and the constitution and the declaration of independence are

parts of one consistent whole - and that work was consummated by the former which had been begun by the latter.

The government, under the constitution was conducted upon these principles, and the sentiments and policy theretofore existing, still prevailed - slavery in the territories was prohibited - the slave trade was denounced as piracy and interdicted, and the Congress in repeated instances, intervened to prevent the extension of slavery into free territory.

The judiciary of the country, both federal and state, was in harmony with the legislation and policy of the nation, and uniformly held that slavery was against national right, and existed only by force of positive law, was necessarily local in its character, and that the master lost all right of control over, or interest in, the slave, when once voluntarily carried beyond the local jurisdiction.

By the force of these sentiments and opinions, acting upon the public judgment and conscience, slavery receded from seven of the thirteen original States, and struggled for a precarious existence in a portion of the remaining States. A new government policy is now demanded, founded upon new interpretations of the constitution in regard to negro slavery. The paternal policy of the nation is denounced as unjust and liberal, unconstitutional and illegal.

The statesmanship of the early days of the republic took cognizance of the fact that two races of men were here, the subjects of



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government and civilization—that one was the dominant race, whose was the duty of governing and guiding; and it did not hesitate to declare those principles of personal freedom which are equally the rights of all, and sought wisely to guide the destinies of both in the light of these principles.

The statesmanship of to-day ignores these self-evident truths—sees the two races confront each other upon the same soil, but holds that one has no rights that the other is bound to respect—asserts a principle which gives him no right to govern but the accident of present power, and thus seeks to bind up the destinies of both with the degradation of the black race.

The difference in the two systems is radical and infinite. The latter, it is needless to say, is repugnant to our theory of government. It is too absurd for argument and too offensive for discussion.

The first systematic attempt to reduce the new dogmas to practice, through the administration of the government and federal legislation, was made in the repeal of the Missouri restriction.

The object of this repeal is now declared by one of its supporters to have been "to put the slavery question upon some common ground where a party could be rallied strong enough to administer the government justly upon other than purely sectional ideas—to remove the ban under which the domestic institutions of the south had been placed by federal legislation"—and, "although not all the south was entitled to it was a

great advance upon the old order of things, because it removed an unjust and odious discrimination against her domestic institutions from the statute book, a moral triumph which was of vast importance to the south and to the institution of slavery itself."

The object and import of that measure, thus declared, have, by subsequent events, become obvious to all. It was the beginning of attempts to revolutionize the federal legislation and policy of the country upon the subject of slavery, — to remove the interdiction under which slavery had been placed by that legislation, and by positive negation of power in Congress, remove all obstacles to expansion, and open the way for the novel idea, recently set up, that "the compromises of the constitution" included the recognition of slavery as an institution of the States, entitled to protection, and guarantee of property in slaves as an eminent trait of nationality.

"Squatter sovereignty," the protest for repeal, is illustrated by civil war and disorder — the will of the people set at defiance by armed bands of men alien to the territory — national strife, contest to determine whether liberty or slavery shall possess the country, once pledged to free labor, and fashion the institutions which are about to spring up there, in which slavery and the national administration rule the hour against freedom and free men, — slavery established in Kansas, the people struggling and in arms to resist it, and at

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lost the fundamental principles of self-government. popular sovereignty itself, denied, and the national administration engaged in efforts to force upon the State a constitution against the known will of the people.

A portion of the federal judges, in harmony with the general design, utter the dicta that "the constitution of the United States recognized property in slaves, and pledges the federal government to protect it, and that Congress has no right to prohibit the slaveholder from taking his slaves into the territories."

The President of the United States unofficially declares and opines that slavery exists in Kansas under the constitution — that this point has at last been settled by the highest tribunal known to our laws, and that it "is mysterious that it ever could have been seriously doubted."

Thus, in quick and rapid succession, a revolution is attempted in the legislative, judicial and executive departments of the government, and would now be complete and thorough, but for the extra judicial and extra official quality of the acts. It remains for the people of the free states to determine whether this important change in the constitution and theory of the government shall be consummated — whether by novel and forced constructions the constitution shall be made to guarantee property in slaves in the states and territories, the character of slavery changed from a local to a national institution, and thus brought in contact with free labor and free men.

No patriot in the land is without his re-

grids at the sectional strife stirred up by these aggressions, and no patriot but must feel that great evils are struggling for perpetuity in the nation, and that their influences, unchecked, will determine the character of the coming ages of the republic; and no patriot but that must feel a stern purpose within him to resist them.

The nation had vituperated the expansion of slavery in the south with comparative composure, as it was maintained that the impulse which pervaded the slave states for new fields for slave labor, would vent itself in the low latitudes; that slavery would recede from the northern slave states, and leave the free states to quiet self-development. in the free states and territories, their system of free labor relieved from the contamination of slave labor. Not so. With each new accession they become more arrogant and exorbitant—instead of obedience to the laws of climate, within which it was thought to move, and subject to which it was asserted it must hold its empire on this continent, experience proves that the law of its life is violence—that it forges its fetters with equal facility in Kansas or the Carolinas—mocks free labor as illegitimate in a republican government, and asserts itself the normal condition of labor—pushes its aggressions over broken compromises into territories pledged to free labor, amid civil war—demanding not only the right of expansion into all the territories, but the constitutional recognition and guarantee as property in the nation.

The free states can never yield to these



demands; they are incompatible with the essential element of their prosperity, free labor. They are repugnant to their settled opinions and sentiments. The free states hold to the right of every one of its laborers to his wages, of every innocent man to his person; and they will suffer no contamination from contact with slavery forced upon them by distorted views of the constitution. They are not at issue with the slave states, because slavery is one of their institutions, but because they seek to make it an institution of the nation. When by offensive refusal, by forced interpretation, by violence, they attempt to force upon the free states what they know to be regarded as an enormous wrong, and fatal to their industry, it should excite no surprise that all such attempts are met with stern and solemn remonstrance and determined resistance.

Slavery agitation rages not from the north, but from the south. The repose of the country was not disturbed by attempts from the north to subvert slavery in the slave states or invade its rights. If there be antagonisms of opinion between the free and slave states, it has been produced by no movement of the former. It has been brought about by an obvious and conceded change of sentiments and opinions, purposes and designs, by the latter; by which they force themselves into collision with the well known and long cherished sentiments and opinions of the free states, their interests and prosperity. If there be peril to our common country, it springs not now from any movements, nor from any want of appreciation of the value of the Union.

from this quarter. Whoever has regrets that a sense of the sacredness of the Union and of the greatness of its blessings is faintly apprehended, will need to revert to events that are taking place in other quarters and sentiments entertained elsewhere.

While the people of Maine will cultivate a spirit of kindness and forbearance towards every section of the common country, and will ever cherish sentiments of devotion to the Union, they will not fail to utter their solemn and earnest protest against the assumptions of the constitutional guaranty of property in slaves, and the indefeasible rights of slavery in the territories; and will remonstrate against the subversion of the powers of the national government to purposes of slavery extension and slavery perpetuation, and will resist, to the full extent of their constitutional powers, all attempts to force the domestic institutions of the slave States into contact with free labor and free communities.

In conclusion, I pledge you my best efforts in the performance of the duties devolved upon me. I have entire confidence that your labors will be characterized by harmony, prudence and wisdom, and hope that the business of the session will result in the promotion of the interest and welfare of our beloved State.

The Governor and suite then retired and the convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker and,

On motion of Mr. Middleton of Leamington. Ordered, that the Governor be requested to furnish to the House of Representatives a copy of his address to the two Houses. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Strickland of Bangor. Ordered, that all petitions requiring order of notice presented after the first day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature without debate. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Pontius of Bangor. Ordered, that when this House adjourns, it adjourn to meet at two o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Wordman of Bucksport, a message was ordered to be conveyed to the Senate, proposing a convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives at fifteen minutes past two o'clock this afternoon, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, an Attorney General, an Adjutant General, and seven councillors to advise with the Governor.

Mr. Wordman was charged with the message, and he subsequently reported that he had performed the duty required of him.

A message was received from the Senate, expressing the concurrence of that body in the proposition for a convention this afternoon.

Adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

### Afternoon Session.

The House convened at two o'clock and was called to order by the Speaker, and.

On motion of Mr. Burlant of Lewiston it was ordered, that the clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the House lists of members of the House, arranged alphabetically and according to the number of their seats, and according to their political classification, including their places of residence, Post Office address and boarding place, and a diagram of the House of Representatives, and that five hundred copies of the same be printed.

Read and passed.

At fifteen minutes past two, being the time assigned, the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

### In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Ring of Washington, Messrs. Ring of Washington, Berry of Kennebec, Miller of Portland, Ingalls of Bridgton and Brown of Wilton, were appointed a committee to receive sort and count the votes for Secretary of State, and having attended to that duty, the committee through Mr. Ring reported that the whole number of votes was one hundred and fifty nine

Necessary to a choice

159

Noah Smith jr. had

80

Caleb R. Ayer had

28

Isaac Reed had

3

Alden Jackson had

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The report was accepted and Noah Smith Jr. was declared to be duly elected Secretary of State for the ensuing political year.

On motion of Mr. Goddard of Cumberland, a committee of five was raised to receive, sort and count votes for Attorney General, and said committee consisted of Messrs Goddard of Cumberland, Sargent of Hancock, Kimball of Prethel, Rice of Hampden and Clark of Wells.

Having attended to that duty the committee reported that the whole number of votes was, 166  
 necessary to a choice, 84  
 Nathan D. Appleton had 136  
 George Evans had 30  
 and the name of James W. Webster for adjutant General was found on one ballot, but not counted as a vote. The report was accepted and Nathan D. Appleton declared to be elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. McSilvery of Waldo a committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General. The committee consisted of Messrs McSilvery of Waldo, Hobart of Washington, Kimball of Rumford, Snow of Atkinson, Shaw of Industry, McLaughlin of Charlotte and Sanborn of Passonsfield, and having attended to that duty the committee reported that the whole number of votes was one hundred and sixty nine, 169  
 necessary to a choice 85  
 James W. Webster had 139

The report was accepted and James W. Webster was declared to be elected Adjutant General for the ensuing political year.

On motion of Mr. Jones of York, a committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count the votes for seven executive councillors and Messrs Jones of York, Conner of Somerset, Hall of Berham, Chick of Madrid, Pierce of Kittery, Jones of Bristol, and Clement of Pulmusea were appointed said committee.

Having attended to this duty the committee reported that the whole number of votes was

necessary to a choice		168
Benjamin Freeman	had	136
George Pierce	had	136
William M. Reed	had	136
Dennis S. Milliken	had	136
William Merriam	had	136
Aaron A. Wing	had	135
James S. Keall	had	136
Israel Chadburne	had	32
Theophilus W. Stanley	had	32
William Rafter	had	32
Jeremiah Foster	had	32
Moses R. Ludwig	had	32
Francis G. Riddle	had	32
Samuel S. Keagan	had	32
J. W. Stanley	had	1

The report was accepted and Messrs Benjamin Freeman, George Pierce, William M.

Reed, Dennis L. Michien, William Merriam, Aaron A. Wing and James S. Hall, having severally received a majority of the votes cast were declared to be duly elected as the councillors of the Governor for the current political year.

The convention was then dissolved and the House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Richsfort Ordered, that until otherwise ordered, the House will meet on each Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.

Mr. Comstock of Lubec introduced the following order, which upon his motion was laid on the table. Ordered that the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to each member of the present House of Representatives as soon as convenient a copy of the public acts and resolves passed by the last legislature, not including the Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered that when the House adjourns, it adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock

Adjourned,

Attest, George W. Wilcox Clerk

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hanson of Gardiner.

A communication was received from the Senate from Benjamin Freeman, George Pierce, D. L. Milliken, William M. Reid, Aaron A. Wing and James S. Hall, signifying from these gentlemen their acceptance of the office of executive councillors, to which they had been elected.

Mr. Morrisow of Farmington introduced the following order. Ordered, that a joint select committee consisting of seven on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to contract with a person or persons to do the State printing and binding for the current political year.

The foregoing order was on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport. Ordered that a message be sent to the Senate proposing a joint convention this day at fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock in this Hall for the purpose of qualifying the executive councillors who have signified their acceptance of the office to which they have been elected. Read and passed and the clerk was charged with the message. He subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House of the con-



currence of the Senate in a proposition for a convention at fifteen minutes before twelve this day for the purpose of qualifying such of the executive councillors as have signified their acceptance.

On motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner. Ordered, that the committee on printing be instructed to report any proposals received by them to this House before accepting the same.

This order was on motion of Mr. Hanson laid on the table.

The Speaker announced the standing committees of the House, in part, as follows.

*Committee on Elections.*

Mrs. Tapley of Saco  
 \* Mr. of Ellsworth  
 Pierce of Kittery  
 Patten of Fort Fairfield  
 Porter of Sebago  
 Kinsdell of Frankfort  
 Comstock of Lubec

*Committee on Engrossed Bills.*

Mrs. Clark of Wells  
 Hall of Gorham  
 Rice of Humpden  
 Lane of Poland  
 Tillson. of Rockland  
 Miltiken of Camden  
 Marcy of Eden

Committee on Finance

- Meigs Secy of Calais
- Millet of Portland
- Ingalls of Bridgton
- Strickland of Bangor
- Libbey of Molunkus
- Rankin of Biddeford
- Porter of Lowell

Committee on Bills in the Third Reading

- Meigs Marshall of Belfast
- Johnson of Augusta
- Bayston of Warren
- Woodman of Bucksport
- Roddy of Brunswick
- Deane of Portland
- Snow of Hallowell

On motion of Mr. Morr of Ellsworth A-  
dend, that the credentials of the members of  
the House of Representatives be taken from  
the file and referred to the committee on  
elections. Read and passed.

At the hour assigned the Senate came in  
and a convention was formed.

In Convention

On motion of Mr. Davis of the Senate, the  
Secretary of the convention was charged  
with a message to the councillors elect.  
who had signified their acceptance of election,  
that the Legislature was in session in the  
Hall of the House of Representatives for  
the purpose of administering to them the oaths  
of office required by the constitution to enable

them to enter upon their official duties. The Secretary of the Convention reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the councillors elect were pleased to say that they would forthwith be in attendance upon the convention for the purposes indicated in the message.

Whereupon, Benjamin Freeman, George Pierce, William M. Reid, Dennis L. Milliken, Aaron A. Wing, & James S. Hale councillors elect, attended by the members of the council and heads of departments came into the convention, and in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature and before the President of the Senate severally took and subscribed the oaths required by law to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The councillors then retired from the convention which was then dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Comstock of Lubec, introduced the following order, Ordered that the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to those members of the present House of Representatives who were not members of the last legislature, one copy each of the Revised Statutes of this State. And if the Secretary has not a sufficient number of copies to supply the new members, that he be and hereby is authorized to procure the same at his earliest convenience and cause them to be

distributed among the new members as above directed.

Mr. Hanson of Sardinia moved to amend the order as per sheet A, and Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved to amend the amendment as per sheet B, sheets annexed, and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the order and amendments were laid upon the table.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. Jones of York announcing to the House of Representatives the decease of the Hon. Charles P. Chandler a Senator elect from the tenth Senatorial district.

Mr. Prentiss of Bangor addressed the House upon the character of the deceased.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the House adjourned.

Attest. George W. Wilcox Clerk.



Monday January 11<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bean of Augusta.

A communication was received from P. D. Peck Esq. Treasurer of State, transmitting the annual statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of all the public money for the fiscal year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1857.

Mr. Buck of Oldtown introduced the following order. Ordered that the 40<sup>th</sup> rule of the rules and orders of this House as adopted from last session be amended by striking out the words, "6<sup>th</sup> To postpone to a day certain," and insert the same next after "For the previous question" so the rule will read as amended.

"When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but

- 1<sup>st</sup> to adjourn
- 2<sup>d</sup> to lie on the table
- 3<sup>d</sup> for the previous question
- 4<sup>th</sup> to postpone to a day certain
- 5<sup>th</sup> to commit
- 6<sup>th</sup> to amend
- 7<sup>th</sup> to postpone indefinitely.

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged. Read and referred to the House Committee on Rules and orders.

On motion of Mr. Brewster of Warren the order introduced Saturday last by Mr. Com-

stock of Lubee was taken from the table and Mr. Johnson of Augusta withdrew the motion for an amendment to the amendment moved by the gentleman from Gardiner. Mr. Russell of Halliwell moved an amendment to the amendment of the gentleman from Gardiner as per sheet C. and the motion to amend the amendment prevailed, and amendment A. as amended was adopted, and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais the further consideration of the order was indefinitely postponed.

Order from the Senate. Ordered that a joint select Committee be appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts and settle the same. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs Thomas of Cumberland, Dane of York, and Holart of Washington appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence and Messrs Pike of Calais, Miller of Portland, Ingalls of Bridgton, Strickland of Bangor, Libby of Milbrook, Banks of Biddford and Foster of Lowell were joined to said committee on the part of the House.

A communication was received from the Hon. William Merriam signifying his acceptance of the office of Counselor to which he had been elected.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport Ordered that a message be sent to the

Senate proposing a convention of the two Houses in this Hall at half past twelve this day for the purpose of qualifying Hon. William Merriam councillor elect.

Read and passed, and the Clerk of the House was charged with the message. He subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary informing the House, that the Senate concurred in the proposition for a convention today at half past twelve o'clock for the purpose of qualifying the Hon. Wm Merriam councillor elect.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered, that the Committee on the pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of H.B. Trafton for ten days attendance and travel as assistant messenger. Read and passed.

Order from the Senate, in relation to Bill entitled 'an act to provide for the equitable distribution of the estates of insolvent debtors,' referred by the last Legislature to this. This order came from the Senate, referring the Bill to a joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the order was laid upon the table.

Order from the Senate, Ordered that a joint

Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be appointed to receive proposals for doing the printing and binding for the State, and to enter into a contract with some person or persons for its performance subject to approval and ratification by the Legislature. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed and Messrs Jones of York, Goddard of Cumberland and Burpee of Lincoln were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence and Messrs Morrison of Falmington, Milliken of Camden, Dean of Portland, Drummond of Windsor, Hale of Norridgewock, Patten of St. Paulsboro, and Agar of Richmond were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

A communication was received from the Hon. Noah Smith jr. signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State, to which he had been elected.

The Speaker announced the Standing Committees of the House in part, as follows:

Committee on Security Estimates.

- Messrs Morrison of Falmington
- Knapp of East Livermore
- Judkins of No. 7. R. 3.
- Percy of Woolwich
- Kane of Columbia
- Fibbels of Lowell
- Hale of Norridgewock



## Committee on Pay Roll.

Messrs Davis of Fairfield.

" Banks of Corinthia

" Skittin of North Harwood

" Brown of Wilton

" Shaw of Industry

" Fuller of Freedom

" Cunningham of Edgcomb

## Leave of Absence.

Messrs Pike of Calais

" Smith of Litchfield

" Longfellow of Whitefield

" Bailey of Auburn

" Swift of York

" Shaw of Troy

" Bucknam of Yarmouth

## Committee on Change of Names.

Messrs Kimball of Bethel

" Pettengill of Wayne

" Saladin of Caplin

At the hour assigned the Senate came in  
and a convention was formed.

## In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Burpee of the Senate the  
Secretary of the Convention was charged with  
a message to William Mariani Esq. informing  
him that the two branches of the Legislature  
were now assembled in Convention in the  
Hall of the House of Representatives for the  
purpose of administering to him the oaths  
of office required by law to qualify him  
for the office to which he had been elected.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him and that the councillor elect was pleased to say that he would forthwith be in attendance upon the convention for the purpose indicated in the message from the Convention.

Whereupon William Merriam Esq. attended by the members of the executive Council came into the Convention and in presence of both Houses of the Legislature and before the President of the Senate took and subscribed the oaths necessary to enable him to enter upon the performance of his official duty.

The Council then retired. The Convention was dissolved and the House called to order by the Speaker.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary announcing that a vacancy existed in the tenth Senatorial district and proposing a convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives at eleven o'clock tomorrow to fill said vacancy. The House concurred in the proposition of the Senate for a convention and the Clerk was charged with a message to that branch conveying the information. He subsequently reported that he had performed that duty.

Adjourned.

Attest. George W. Wilson Clerk,

Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dexter of Augusta.

Mr. Marshall of Belfast presented the County Estimates for the County of Waldo and on his motion they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

The same gentleman presented the nomination of Stephen S. Dennis against the right of Henry B. Shaw to hold a seat in this House as a representative from the district composed of the towns of Troy, Unity and Burrham, which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Puntip of Bangor presented the petition of Isaac M. Bragg of Bangor for a dam on the East Branch of Mattawamkeag, and he also presented the petition of Rufus Durnal of Bangor for an extension of time to cut timber on 12 of township No. 4 Range 4. These petitions were laid on the table on motion of Mr. Puntip.

A communication was received from James H. Webster Esq. signifying his acceptance of the office of Adjutant General to which he had been elected.

Mr. Agar of Richmond presented the petition of R. H. and M. J. Kerr for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the Senate

order in relation to referring Bill, an act to provide for the equitable distribution of the estates of insolvent debtors, was taken from the table and passed in concurrence and Messrs Gilbert of Bath, Brown of Portland, Woodbury of Houston, Buck of Alderston Knapp of Ea. Livermore Weeks of Vespallborough, and Leemstick of Litch were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Order from the Senate. Ordered that there be appointed a committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, to examine the papers and files of the last Legislature referred to the present and report what disposition ought to be made of the same. This order came from the Senate having been read & passed, and Messrs McHenry, Sargent and Hoyt were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence and Messrs Woodman of Bucksport, Chadbourne of Standish, Porter of Sebago, Felt of New Castle, Clement of Palmyra, Milliken of Camden, and Clark of Wells were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Hanson of Gardiner introduced the following order, which on his motion was laid on the table. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the propriety of repealing Sec. 5 Chap 89 of the Revised Statutes. Said provision requiring publication of marriage intentions.



At the hour assigned the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

### In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Carlton of the Senate a Committee of Seven was raised to receive poll and count the votes for Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the tenth Senatorial District caused by the death of the Hon. Charles P. Chandler. The Committee consisted of Rufus Carlton of Lincoln, Hobbs of Waldo, Lane of Poland, Schick of Madrid Smith of Litchfield, King of Seabrook and Ridgout of Cumberland.

The Committee having attended to the duty assigned them, reported through their Chairman Mr. Carlton of Lincoln that the whole number of votes thrown was

Mapany to a choice	158
Andrew Wiggins had	80
William Cakes had	115
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The report was accepted and Andrew Wiggins was declared to be duly elected as Senator from the tenth Senatorial district for the current political year.

The Convention was dissolved, and the House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport, Ordered, that the Joint Select Committee on printing and binding be directed to examine and report what retrenchment may be had in the matter of printing and binding.

The printing of what reports, journals, pamphlets &c. may without detriment to the public interest be dispensed with, and whether in other cases their contents may not be materially condensed.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buxton of Warren. Ordered that the Committee on State printing be directed to enquire into the expediency of authorizing the heads of the various departments to make contracts for the printing in their several departments.

Read and passed, and sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.  
Attest George W. Wilson Clerk.

Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Blake of Gardiner.

Mr. Holt of Turner was, on his own motion excused from service as monitor of the seventh division, and Mr. Conant of Appleton was appointed in his stead.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Chairman of the Committee on rules and orders for the government of the House made a report thereon, to which report Mr. Buck of Oldtown moved an amendment as per sheet "A" annexed. On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, the report and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. Boody of Brunswick presented the petition of Frederick Cabot and others to be incorporated to carry on business under the name of the Cabot Manufacturing Company. This petition was accompanied by a Bill, and the bill and petition were on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport laid upon the table.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting a copy of his message to the Legislature upon the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport it was laid upon the table.

Mr. Picknell of Augusta, presented the petition of Emma Silphatris for change of name, and the same on his motion was referred to the Committee on change of names.

Report of the Committee on joint rules and orders 71  
This report was made in the Senate and came  
to the House having been read and accepted,  
Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee appointed to examine  
and settle the Treasurer's accounts. This report  
was made in the Senate and came to the  
House having been read and accepted,  
Read and accepted in concurrence.

The joint Standing Committees provided for  
by the rules and orders were received from  
the Senate and having been joined on the  
part of the House, are as follows:

Committee on the Judiciary

Wm. Goddard

" Chapman

" Fletcher

Of the Senate

Wm. Woodman of Buckleport

" Gilbert of Bath

" French of Lamaniscot

" Burston of Warren

" Printip of Bangor

" Pike of Calais

" Tapley of Luce

Of the House

Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance

Wm. Ring

" Davis

" Purper

Of the Senate



Messrs Kingsbury of Kennelbunk  
 " Miller of Portland  
 " King of Seausmont  
 " Kirkball of Bethel  
 " Conant of Appleton  
 " Muncy of Eden  
 " Libby of Molunkus  
 Of the House,

Committee on Education.

Messrs Hoyt  
 " Wapson  
 " Twitchell  
 Of the Senate  
 Messrs Birdy of Brunswick  
 " Morrison of Farmington  
 " Davis of Fairfield  
 " Deane of Portland  
 " Hobbs of Weymouth  
 " Moor of Liminick  
 " Snow of Atkinson  
 Of the House,

Committee on Banks and Banking,

Messrs. Dane  
 " Thomas  
 " Connor  
 Of the Senate

Messrs Marshall of Belfast  
 " Brown of Portland  
 " Hagar of Richmond  
 " Banks of Biddeford  
 " Clark of Pittston  
 " Tilton of Rockland  
 " Pierce of Kittery  
 Of the House,

Committee on Division of Counties.

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Major Hobbs

" Sturckfeld

" Wing

Of the Senate

Major Milliken of Camden

" Jones of Bristol

" Sanborn of Parsonsfield

" Quint of Boudinham

" Sully of Madison

" Bailey of Auburn

" Multray of Parkman

Of the House.

Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Major Hamlin

" Wapow

" Berry

Of the Senate

Major Strickland of Bangor

" Woodbury of Houlton

" Moor of Ellsworth

" Boddy of Brunswick

" Merrill of Williamsburgh

" Parsons of East's Houlton

" Spooner of New Portland

Of the House.

Committee on the Militia.

Major Wing

" Berry

" Goddard

Of the Senate.

Major Tillson of Rockland

" Hall of North Brunswick

" Pontap of Bangor

Messrs Burbank of Lewiston  
 " Leighton of Sturben  
 " Mayberry of Casco  
 " Tibbitts of Lowell  
 Of the House.

Committee on Military Pensions,

Messrs Tatchell  
 " Burbank  
 " McClurkey  
 Of the Senate,

Messrs Knapp of Co. Livermore  
 " Kingsbury of Waldo  
 " Bean of Brownfield  
 " Sawyer of Baldwin  
 " Palmer of Albion  
 " Walsh of Thomaston  
 " Surt of York  
 Of the House.

Committee on Incorporation of Towns,

Messrs Carlton  
 " Flaisted  
 " Wiggins  
 Of the Senate

Messrs Patten of Fort Fairfield  
 " Whitney of Raymond  
 " Hapson of Brooksville  
 " Ranney of Winn  
 " McLaughlin of Charlotte  
 " Waterhouse of Lyman  
 " Andrews of Pleasant Ridge  
 Of the House

Committee on Division of Towns,

Messrs Chapman

Memrs Nordbury

" Sargent

Of the Senate

Memrs. Hobbs of Watertown

" Davis of Boston

" Case of Radfield

" Parker of Dedham

" Coffin of Shapleigh

" Foss of Leeds

" Smith of Otisfield

Of the House.

Committee on the Insane Hospital

Memrs Burbank

" Jones

" Wiggins

Of the Senate

Memrs Sweet of Limerington

" Rivett of Hallowell

" Parker of Gorham

" Reak of Durham

" York of Jackson

" Libby of Machadestown

" Ridout of Cumberland

Of the House.

Committee on the State Reform School.

Memrs - Jones

" West

" McGilvray

Of the Senate

Memrs French of Damariscotta

" Brackett of Westbrook

" Hammond of Winslow

" Kimball of Rumford

" Blairdell of Frankfort



Major Burbank of Lewiston  
 " Porter of Souda  
 Of the House

Committee on Indian Affairs

Major Hobart

" Hobbs

" Stinchfield

Of the Senate

Major Buck of Oldtown

" Macey of Poulsoke

" Wheeler of Greenfield

" Smith of Litchfield

" Mitchell of Washington

" Fuller of Freedom

" Skilton of North Vannoch

Of the House.

Committee on Agriculture

Major Lestrop

" Berry

" Woodbury

Of the Senate

Major Hall of Schiarn

" Field of Danville

" Gordale of Orrington

" Skinner of St. Albans

" Longfellow of Whitefield

" Dunn of Malta Plantations

" Batchelder of Newbury

Of the House.

Committee on Fisheries

Major Targent

" McIlwain

" Hamlin

Of the Senate  
 Messrs Fisher of Brothday  
 " Gilkey of Newbury  
 " Comstock of Lubec  
 " Percy of Norwich  
 " Foursell of St. George  
 " Rabbidge of New Isle  
 " Bainton of Windsor  
 Of the House.

Committee on Manufactures

Messrs West  
 " Dand  
 " Wing

Of the Senate

Messrs Banks of Biddford  
 " Hale of Newidgranch  
 " Weeks of Vassallboro  
 " Sargent of Brooklyn  
 " Balch of Waldoboro  
 " Stockbridge of Freeport  
 " Merrill of Searport

Of the House

Committee on Rail Roads, Ways & Bridges

Messrs Thomas  
 " Fletcher  
 " Hoyt

Of the Senate

Messrs Bicknell of Augusta  
 " Pike of Calais  
 " Strickland of Bangor  
 " Clark of Wells  
 " Mayo of Orono  
 " Arnold of Newbury  
 " Chick of Madrid

Of the House.

Committee on Interior Waters,

Major Connor

" Stinchfield

" Carlton

Of the Senate

Major Kimball of Athens

" Lane of Poland

" Rogers of Stetson

" Cowie of Lebanon

" Ingalls of Bridgeton

" Shearman of Sidney

" Brown of Wilton

Of the House.

Committee on Accounts,

Major Burpee

" Hobart

" Jones

Of the Senate

Major Tapp of Newcastle

" Porter of Selago

" Pratt of Oxford

" Pike of Topsfield

" Clement of Palmyra

" Hill of Sullivan

" Palmer of Dexter

Of the House

Committee on Relations

Major Woodbury

" Lathrop

" West

Of the Senate

Major Loring of Guilford

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Major Stanley of Dorfield  
" Perkins of Kennelcunkport  
" Purkes of Belknap  
" Pike of Westport  
" Madrin of Northport  
" Shaw of Industry  
Of the House.

Committee on the State Prison

Major Berry  
" Burpee  
" Ring  
Of the Senate

Major Moor of Ellsworth  
" Rice of Hampden  
" Holt of Turner  
" Estes of Woodstock  
" Davis of Bristol  
" Chadbourne of Standish  
" Olm of Georgetown  
Of the House.

Committee on Public Buildings

Major Berry  
" McCluskey  
" Planted  
Of the Senate

Major Hanson of Gardiner  
" Rockliff of Wesley  
" Plummer of Litchon  
" Chadbourne of Deymouth  
" Kerns of Columbia  
" Cunningham of Edgecomb  
" Kingdall of Bradford  
Of the House,



## Committee on the Library.

Wm. Davis

" Caulton

" Tutchill

Of the Senate

Wm. Johnson of Augusta

" Dean of Portland

" Buckingham of Farmington

" Shaw of Troy

" Perkins of No. 7 Range 3.

" Muddox of Hiram

" Parks of St. Bernick

(Of the House

Bill an act relating to the city of Bath, introduced by Mr. Gilbert of Bath and on his motion it was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, Ordered, that a message be sent to the Senate proposing a convention of the two Houses in this State this day at half past eleven o'clock for the purpose of choosing a Land Agent and Treasurer of State. The order passed, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed the message to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary announcing that the Senate concurred in the proposition of the House for a convention this day at half past eleven o'clock to elect a Land Agent and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Camden Ordered, that ten thousand copies of the

Governors in page be printed for the use of  
the House.

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Bill, an act to amend Chap. 82 Sec. 83 of the  
Revised Statutes, so as to restore the former  
law allowing executors and administrators  
as well as other parties to be witnesses.  
Introduced by Mr. Smith of Bangor and on  
his motion referred to the Committee on the  
Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Fox and others for in-  
crease of the salary of the Recorder of the  
Municipal Court of the City of Portland.  
Presented by Mr. Davis of Portland and  
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.  
Sent up for concurrence -

Mr. Kimball of Bethel presented the petition  
of Thomas S. Bartlett for change of name.  
Referred to the Committee on Change of names.

On motion of Mr. Bowen of Portland. Or-  
dered that the use of the Hall of the House  
of Representatives be granted to the State  
Temperance Society for the purpose of  
holding a convention this afternoon and  
evening. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered  
that the papers in the case of Josiah P. Bean  
who applied for remuneration for injuries  
sustained in the service of the State, be  
taken from the files and referred to the  
Committee on Claims. Sent up for con-  
currence.

Bills an act to incorporate the Cabot Manufacturing Company was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Boddy of Brunswick it was referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence,

At the hour assigned the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

### For Convention.

On motion of Mr. Chapman of the Senate a Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count votes for Treasurer of State. Messrs Chapman of Lincoln, Twitchell of Oxford, French of Damariscotta, Murrin of Winslow, Walsh of Thomaston, Pentip of Bangor and Sweet of York, were appointed said Committee. Having attended to their duty, the Committee reported that the whole number of votes was,

	158.
Necessary to a choice	80.
Benjamin D. Peck had	130
Isaac Reed	28.

The report was accepted and Benjamin D. Peck declared to be duly elected Treasurer of the State of Maine for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Berry of the Senate, a Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count votes for Land Agent. Messrs Berry of Kennebunk, Hapow of Hancock, Johnson of Augusta, Flye of New Castle, Ingalls of Brighton, Hobbs of Watford & Mow of Ellsworth were appointed said Committee. Having at-

attended to the duty assigned them, the com-  
 mittee reported that the whole number  
 of votes was 166  
 Mcapary to a choir 84  
 Noah Barker had 136  
 James Walker 30

The report was accepted and Noah Barker  
 was declared to be duly elected Land Agent  
 for the State of Maine for the current politi-  
 cal year.

The convention was dissolved, the House was  
 called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Moor of Ellsworth, ordered,  
 that the Committee on the Insane Hospital  
 be instructed to consider the expediency of  
 amending Section 13 of Chap. 143 of the  
 Revised Statutes, providing partially for the  
 support of paupers, so that the entire sup-  
 port of such persons shall be charged to the  
 State. Read & passed and sent up for  
 concurrence—

On motion of Mr. Fisher of Brockton ordered,  
 that the Secretary of State be directed to  
 place in the hands of the Clerk fifteen  
 copies of the Revised Statutes for the use  
 of this House as provided in the order of  
 distribution of last year to be returned to  
 the Library at the end of the session and  
 the Clerk be directed to have printed or  
 stamped on the cover on both sides of the  
 book the words "House of Representatives".  
 Read and passed.



The order introduced January 8. by Mr. Comstock of Lubec in relation to public acts and resolutions was taken from the table, considered and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Parsons of Eustis Plantation Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing an act directing the assessors of Jackson and Eustis Plantations to settle with the former treasurer of Jackson plantation, and to distribute any money in their hands, between the two plantations in the proportion of the number of scholars in each plantation. Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Quinal was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Isaac M. Bragg was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced yesterday by Mr. Hanson of Gardiner was on his motion taken from the table, read and passed, sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gilbert of Bath presented the petition of the stockholders of the City Bank, Bath for a reduction of their Capital Stock, referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking

Sent up for concurrence

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Mr. Woodbury of Houlton presented the petition of L. F. A. Johnson and 22 others praying for an act of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, Sent up for concurrence

Mr. Merrill of Wilkesburg presented the petition of the Selectmen of Sebec praying that their doings as officers may be made valid. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Borden of Brunswick presented the petitions of the Faculty of the Medical College for aid in the erection of a Medical College. Also the petitions of

S. W. Chase	and others of	Popadumkeag
Allen Rogers	" " "	Hampden
E. L. Hyde	" " "	Freeport
Alden Messers	" " "	Borshbay
J. S. Foley	" " "	Athens
W. Hawkes	" " "	Belfast
W. Turner	" " "	Sumner
A. P. Snow	" " "	Winthrop
J. H. Rich	" " "	Bucksport
Hollis Munro	" " "	Belfast
John Rickes	" " "	Orono
W. Rickes	" " "	Bowdoinham
J. F. Bartow	" " "	Jefferson
William Davis	" " "	"
J. J. Stockbridge	" " "	Bath

all in aid of the petition of the Faculty of the Medical College

The foregoing petitions were severally received and on motion of Mr. Borden they were referred to the Committee on Education Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned,

Attest Geo. W. Wilcox  
Clerk

Thursday, January 14, 1858.

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Payn by the Rev. Mr. Smith of Litchfield.

On motion of Mr. Maye of Amherst, Ordered that the Land Agent be directed to make monthly settlements with the Treasurer and to pay over all money received by him to the Treasurer at the end of each month. This order was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the City of Bath, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport it was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Merrill of Williamsburg, laid upon the table the following order, which upon his motion was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be requested to enquire into the expediency of authorizing by Law the sale of the State interest in all the townships purchased by the State in 1853, on which limited permits for cutting the timber were granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to individuals prior to said purchase in 1853.

On motion of Mr. Walliken of Camden, Ordered, that so much of the Governors message as relates to the militia be referred to the Committee on the Militia, Sent up for concurrence.



On motion of Mr. Hall of Newham. Ordered that so much of the Governor's message as relates to Agriculture, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. French of Danversville. Ordered that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Reform School be referred to the Committee on the State Reform School, Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bowen of Portland. Ordered that so much of the Governor's message as relates to Banks, be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner. Ordered that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Subject of Slavery, be referred to a joint select Committee on Federal Relations. Read and passed and Rufus Hanson of Gardiner, Joseph of Bangor Marshall of Belfast, Porter of Lowell Kingsbury of Newburgh Pratt of Oxford and Skellin of North Hammonds were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Hanson of Gardiner laid upon the table Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Maine Association of Universalists, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Dunn of Milton plantation, laid upon the table the following order and Bill which upon his motion were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and Sent up for concurrence.

Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to examine into the propriety of making a law to prevent litigation between towns in regard to the settlement of paupers as set forth in the bill herewith submitted. The title of the bill is, "Bill an act to prevent difficulty between towns in regard to paupers."

On motion of Mr. Strickland of Bangor  
Ordered, that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Lands, and to the settlement of Arcostock County be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport  
Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire and report what amendment if any is necessary to Sect. 18, Chap. 66, of the second revision of the Revised Statutes relating to claims not presented against insolvent estates.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport  
Ordered, that so much of the Governor's message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hale of Norridgewood presented the County Estimates of the County of Somerset and on his motion they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

On motion of Mr. Boddy of Brunswick. Ordered, that so much of the Governor's message as relates to Education be referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Hallowell, ordered that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Maine Insane Hospital be referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Boddy of Brunswick. Ordered, that the Committee on the Reform School be instructed to inquire whether any, and if so, what reductions may be made in the expenses of said institution, without impairing the usefulness thereof. Also to inquire into the expediency of charging the expense of supporting the inmates of the school upon the several cities and towns in which they reside at the period of their commitment, and report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed and Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the relief of poor debtors, additional to the 113<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Revised Statutes. Said on the table by Mr. Gilbert of Bath and on his motion referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the Treasurer of the town of Newry,  
 Claims of the Treasurer of Plantation Little B.  
 Reford bounty and claims of the Treasurer of  
 the town of Cutler for bounty paid on wild  
 animals. Severally referred to the Committee  
 on Accounts and Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the  
 Treasurer of State, laying before the Legislature  
 sundry claims filed in his office for al-  
 lowance for bounties on wild Animals which  
 were severally referred to the Committee on  
 Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. H. Parsons and 33 others of the  
 town of West Gardiner to be set off from  
 said town and annexed to the city of  
 Gardiner. This petition came from the  
 Senate referred to the Committee on  
 Division of Towns. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the Trustees of Oak Grove Acad-  
 emy for aid.

Petition of James Hartford and others of  
 Brunswick asking for grant of land or  
 money in aid of East Maine Conference

Petition of William Merriam and others for  
 same

Petition of Edward Kent and others for same

Petition of Benj. Reed and others for same

These petitions were severally referred to the



Committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John H. Kilsa for remuneration for expenses incurred by him in attending upon a member of the House while sick in 1849.

Petition of L. Crockett of Abbott for remuneration for money paid and service rendered in the Amstook Expedition. These petitions were severally read and referred to the Committee on Claims and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Leroyed Hill and others of Ellsworth for an act to protect the owners of grape land on the banks of Union River from damages on account of logs being left thereon. Referred to the Committee on Interior Water and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barbank of Lewiston, ordered. That the Committee on Education be instructed to enquire into the expediency of reenacting the law of 1854 requiring the Superintending School Committees of the several cities and towns of this State to appropriate ten cents of the sixty cents required to be raised by the second section of chapter 154 of the laws of 1854 among the districts in their several towns, cities and plantations in such manner as will in their judgment give the smaller districts a more equal opportunity of enjoying the benefits of common school education.

with the larger districts. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Rules and Orders for the government of the House, was taken from the table, and the amendments offered by Mr. Buck of Alden was rejected, and the motion made by Mr. Talbot of Backs to strike out of said report the words, "Rule so omit" was passed and as amended, the report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered that six hundred copies of the rules and orders with the Documents and Statistics which accompanied the printed rules of the House of Representatives of 1857, be printed for the use of the House. Read and passed.

Petition of W. J. Talbot and 14 others for an alteration in the constitution. Read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Union Bank praying for leave to reduce their capital stock. Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Inhabitants of the town of Collierville for repeal of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Hersey, Fletcher & Co and others for change in Inspection laws. Referred to the

94. Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance,  
Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced by Mr. Cornstock of Dubee  
in relation to the public acts and resolves, was  
taken from the table, considered and again  
laid on the table -

Petition of Thomas M. Gray and others of Litchfield  
to be set off from Litchfield and annexed  
to the town of Pittsford.

Petition of Anthony Brackett to be set off from  
Gosham and annexed to Standish.

Petition of J. Deveraux to be set off from  
Cornish and annexed to Painesfield.

Petition of Bonaish Low to be set off from the  
town of Paris and annexed to the town of  
Woodstock.

Petition of David Wing and 43 others of  
Farmingdale to be reannexed to the City of  
Gardiner.

Petition of John L. Leopold and others to be  
set off from South Thomaston and annexed  
to Thomaston.

The foregoing petitions were severally referred  
to the Committee on Division of Towns  
and sent up for concurrence -

Claims of Treasurers of the following towns  
for bounties paid on wild Animals were

severally referred to the Committee on  
Accounts, and sent up for concurrence.

- Claims of the town of Guilford
- " " " " " Houlton
- " " " " " Bradford
- " " Plantations No. 7
- " " Treasury of Amherst
- " " " " " Cooper
- " " " " " Lincoln
- " " " " " Brownville
- " " " " " La Grange
- " " " " " Mason
- " " " " " Topshild
- " " " " " Wether
- " " " " " Charlotte
- " " " " " Parkman
- " " " " " Lowell
- " " " " " Embden
- " " " " " Weston
- " " " " " Amhurst
- " " " " " Woodstock
- " " " " " Charleston
- " " " " " Byron
- " " " " " Detroit
- " " " " " Mattungusling Plantation
- " " " " " Debit
- " " " " " Amherst Plantation
- " " " " " Island
- " " " " " Marion
- " " " " " New Lincolnton
- " " " " " Belfast Accty. Grant
- " " " " " Ranges
- " " " " " Hymerville
- " " " " " Dead River
- " " " " " Otis



Claims of the	treasurers of	East Machias
"	"	Leambridge
"	"	Dover
"	"	Gouldsborough
"	"	Alexander
"	"	Milford
"	"	Moscow
"	"	Ripley
"	"	Surry
"	"	Taunton
"	"	Princeton
"	"	Massfield
"	"	Andover
"	"	Lexington
"	"	Aurora
"	"	Brighton
"	"	Amity
"	"	Ellsworth
"	"	Mills
"	"	Elliottsville
"	"	Northfield
"	"	Enfield
"	"	Leicester
"	"	Madrid
"	"	Cherryfield
"	"	Shelby
"	"	Concord
"	"	Hodgden

On motion of Mr. Buck of Oldtown. Ordered that a committee of three be appointed on the part of this House with such as the Senate may join to enquire whether the State now has any special agent or commissioner at Washington under pay from the State to prosecute any claims against

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the general government. If so, who, on  
what conditions, for what objects and its  
necessity and report at their earliest  
convenience. Read and passed and  
Mepes Buck of Aldtown. Hook of Durham.  
Swat of Linnington were appointed sub  
committee on the part of the House. The  
Senate joined Mepes Cadton of Lincoln  
and Kenner of Somerset.

Adjourned

Attest. George M. Wilcox  
Clerk

Friday January 15<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hudson of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate.

A communication was received from Nathan D. Appleton signifying his acceptance of the office of Attorney General.

Claims of the treasure of the town of Franklin for bounty paid on wild animals came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Bills an act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of School district No. 4 in Winthrop came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Orders from the Senate referring the Governor's message to the Committee on Banks and Banking, to the Committee on Agriculture to the Committee on Education, to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, were referred in concurrence.

Orders from the Senate referring the report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the State Reform School and so much of the Governor's message as relates to that Institution to the Committee on the Reform School, and order referring report of Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital were received from the Senate and referred in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus F. Bryant to be set off from the town of Fairfield and annexed to the town of Bloomfield, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Referred in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of Greenfield Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Sect. 11 Chap. 3 of the Revised Statutes that Selectmen and Assessors of towns shall hold their office for the term and in the manner directed for Superintending School Committees. Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deane of Portland. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the propriety of repealing the present laws relating to marriage so far as they require a publication of the intentions of marriage, and of passing a statute similar to the law approved April 23. 1852. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Williamstown Ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed



to enquire into the legality and expediency of having rights granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to cut lumber upon lands in the State, and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Menie of Williamsburg. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of giving any person who digs, makes or hauls Rates by virtue of a contract with the owner thereof a lien thereon, to take precedence of all other claims and to continue thereon for thirty days after payment becomes due. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport. Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire what further legislation is necessary if any to enable executors, and administrators to assign mortgages of real estate. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hagar of Richmond. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee, consider and report the expediency of altering and amending the 51 Sect. of the 113<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to the support of debtors in prison, so as to make it the duty of any Jailor, prior to the actual imprisonment of every debtor on mesne process or execution or who shall surrender himself to save the condition of any bond given on execution, that money be paid in advance or security be furnished the jailer either by the

debtor or the creditor, his agent or attorney, for the support of any such debtor, while so imprisoned, and also what amendments are necessary in the 24 and 26 Sections in Chapter 24 same Statutes, relating to paupers, their settlement and support as that Cities and towns and other incorporated places shall not be chargeable for the support of such debtors while thus imprisoned though having a legal settlement therein. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta, Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Section 10 Chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes as to make its provisions apply to all persons assuming to act as attorneys. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Comstock of Lubec, Ordered that the Committee on Fisheries, be directed to enquire what further instructions, if any, are necessary to be given to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, that they may use their influence to prevent the repeal of the law granting bounty to vessels engaged in the Cod-fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus Kendrick Jr. and others of the town of Litchfield for aid to the Medical School of Maine.

Petition of M. S. Wilson and others of Lincoln for same.

Petition of A. Bowden and others of New Sharon  
for same.

Petition of L.R. Kennedy and others of Hipscomb  
and others for same.

Petition of Putnam Simentow and others of  
Seasport for same.

Petition of Israel L. Bradley and others for  
same.

Petition of A.H. Burlant of Vassibeth for same.

Petition of M.R. Ludwig and others of Thomaston  
for same.

Petition of H.R. Boutelle and others of Waterville  
for same.

Petition of James S. Dickson and others of Mel-  
wich for aid to East Maine Conference  
Seminary.

Petition of George L. Winden and others for same.

Petition of Frederick Spofford and 134 others  
for same.

Bill an act to incorporate the Stockholders of  
West Hampden High School.

The foregoing petitions and Bill were severally  
referred to the Committee on Education  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pils of Calais. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of allowing parties two peremptory challenges of jurors in the trial of civil actions. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on Bill an act to incorporate the Calot manufacturing Company, reporting the Bill and that it ought to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence and the rules having been suspended the Bill had then several readings and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Wino for bounty paid on wild Animals. Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Prentiss of Bangor from the Judiciary Committee on Bill an act to amend Chap. 82 Section 83 of the Revised Statutes authorizing executors and administrators and heirs to testify in certain cases. Reporting the Bill and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill read twice and Thursday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 103 Sect. 4 to provide for payment of the fees of Commissioners in appraising down by warrant from Judge of Probate, laid on the table



by Mr. Hagaw of Richmond and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the support of paupers in unincorporated places. Laid on the table by Mr. Sargent of Brooklyn and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence -

Petition of Nathaniel Hauscorn of Lee for addition to pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Case of Readfield laid upon the table the account of C. P. Keuntow for services as Coroner, and on his motion it was referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence -

Petition of Daniel M. Conckett and others of Haverhill Grant to be annexed to the town of Bethel

Petition of Abraham Waterhouse to be set off from Crows and annexed to Eldtown.

Petition of Stockbridge P. Graves to be set off from the town of Bowdoin and annexed to Bowdoinham.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Sewall Lake for conveyance of land from the State. Referred to the Committee

on State Lands and State Roads, Sent up  
for concurrence—

Petition of Josiah P. Beam for injuries  
while in the service of the State, Referred  
to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of Number 7 Range  
3. for incorporation. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent  
up for concurrence.

Petition of Elizabeth Sylvester and three  
others of Windham for change of name  
of herself and minor children. Referred  
to the Committee on Change of Names.

Adjourned

Attest. Geo. W. Wilcox  
Clerk

Saturday January 16<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Titch of Stallowville.

Papers from the Senate

Ordered, that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Prison, be referred to the Committee on the State Prison. Concurred

Ordered that a joint select committee of seven on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, be raised to which so much of the Governor's address shall be referred, as relates to regulating the traffic in intoxicating liquors. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed and Messrs Thomas, Wapow, Hamlin, Fletcher, Lathrop, Hobart and West were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence and Messrs Gilbert of Bath, Boddy of Brunswick, Tapley of Saco, Top of Leeds, Hanson of Gardiner, Milliken of Camden, Estes of Woodstock, Moor of Ellsworth, Shaw of Indent, Rackliff of Wesley, Flye of New Castle, Davis of Fairfield, Mayo of Orono, Merrill of Williamsburg and Libbey of Molunkus were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Petition of the Directors of the Portland Marine Railway for repeal of the act incorporating them, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Referred in concurrence.

The report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to examine the files and papers of the last Legislature referred to the present, came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence—

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Division of Towns, made a report on the petition of Cyrus J. Bryant, ordering notice to be served on the town clerks of the towns of Fairfield and Bloomfield. On motion of Mr. Hobbs the report was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Rice of Hampden, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire, what further legislation is necessary to give married women the right to testify in suits in which their husbands are interested and to report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, the House voted that when it adjourns, it be until Monday morning next at eleven and one quarter o'clock.

Mr. Mellickin of Camden was on his own motion excused from service, on the Joint Standing Committee on the Division of Counties.

On motion of Mr. Bowen of Portland, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing additional penalties by law, for



certain trespasses on personal property. Sent up for concurrence—

On motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta. Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that a decree of divorce from the bonds of matrimony, shall operate as a release of both parties. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hapson of Brooksville. Ordered that the Committee on Finance be directed to inquire into the propriety of abating the State tax on Hobbok Island within the limits of the town of Easton, also that said Island be struck from the list of unincorporated places. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rice of Hampden. Ordered that the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that towns after limiting the road districts so as to correspond with the several school districts may authorize the legal voters thereof to choose the highway surveyors for said districts and to report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence—

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Kennebunk. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so revising the first section of Chapter twenty first of the Revised Statutes, as to

oblige by penalty each town to make suitable provision for the mental and physical necessities of all vagrant children within their respective limits and oblige them to avail themselves of such provision,  
Sent up for concurrence -

On motion of Mr. Wordbury of Houlton, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of enacting a law making proprietors of lands in unincorporated townships through which county roads are located liable for damages incurred by travellers the same as cities and towns are liable and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Portland, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to consider if any alterations and amendments are necessary to be made in Chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes in relation to hawkers and peddlers, and if they deem amendments necessary to protect the citizens of this State in their rights to report accordingly by bill or otherwise, Sent up for concurrence,

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Thomas M. Gray, ordering notice by service in the towns of Chelsea and Pittston, came from the Senate having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the report was re-committed with instructions to the Committee to report an order of notice by a publi-

cation in the newspaper published in Hallowell. Sent up for concurrence -

Report of same committee upon petition of David Wing and others, ordering notice by serving a copy upon the Clerk of the town of Farmingdale and upon the Clerk of the City of Gardiner. On motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner the report was re-committed with instructions to the committee to report an order of notice by a publication in a newspaper published in Hallowell, and also a publication in a newspaper published in Gardiner. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the same committee on petition of John L. Leopeland ordering notice of copies on the clerks of Thomaston and South Thomaston, came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Hobbs from Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Anthony Brackett made a report ordering notice by service of an attested copy upon the Clerks of the towns of Woburn and Standish.

The same gentleman from the same Committee reported order of notice on petition of Benjamin Dow by service of an attested copy upon the Clerks of the towns of Paris and Woodstock.

He also reported order of notice upon the petition of Jonathan Devaux by service of an

attested copy upon the Clerk of the Towns  
of Cornish and Passumpsit.

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The foregoing reports were severally ac-  
cepted and sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Albany  
for bounty paid on wild Animals. Also  
claim of the treasurer of the town of  
Frenton and claim of the treasurer of the  
town of Mariaville for same, were severally  
received and referred to the Committee  
on Accounts, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Bainbridge Black for change of name  
was received and referred to the Committee on  
Change of Names

Petition of N. T. Tammington and eleven others for  
an act of incorporation, was referred to the  
Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance  
Sent up for concurrence

Petition of Daniel J. Plummer and others of Brad-  
ford in favor of Benjamin Chadbourn for remunera-  
tion for injuries received while in the Army was  
received and referred to the Committee on Mil-  
itary Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Hooper and others in aid of  
East Maine Conference Seminary, was received  
and referred to the Committee on Education.  
Sent up for concurrence

Adopted Attest. Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk



Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Butterfield of Hallowell

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Findlay Wallace and others in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Bill of Proprietors of Eastern Argus for printing, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Order referring so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Militia came from the Senate having been read and passed. Passed in concurrence.

Order relating to publication of lists of non-resident taxes. and

Order relating to the jurisdiction of towns and county commissioners, came from the Senate having been read and passed. They were passed in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Jarvis and 60 others for an insolvent law. Referred to the Joint Select Committee having that subject under consideration & sent up for concurrence -

Bill, an act to incorporate the Leabot Manufacturing Company. This bill having had three several readings and passed to be en-

engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Acton Swett and others. Petition of Warren Small and others. Petition of sundry citizens of Machias. Petition of A. H. Hall and others and petition of John Lamson and others for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary, were received and referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of C. F. Johnson and 23 others, reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Davis and 83 others for reannexation of Backus farm to town of Chelsea and

Petition of T. J. Staples to be set off from Servant to Kenduskeag.

Remonstrance of John Davis and 84 others against petition of T. M. Gray and others, were received and referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire and report whether the present forms of civil and criminal process

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admit of simplification and improvement  
and to report such modifications thereof and  
of the proceedings in court as they may  
deem expedient and necessary. Sent up  
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, Ordered that  
the Committee on the Judiciary be directed  
to inquire and report whether the present  
laws on bail in criminal cases are  
sufficient. Sent up for concurrence -

On motion of Mr. Read of Durham. Ordered  
that the Senate concerning, that the Chap-  
lains of this Legislature have the same  
privileges in regard to the Library as  
members of this Legislature. Read and  
passed. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Paul Lyr, Francis Thibedeau and  
250 others for a division of the County of  
Aroostook. Referred to the Committee on  
Division of Counties. Sent up for concu-  
rrence.

Petition of Joseph Blake and others of Let-  
ter G. to be incorporated with Letter F. and

Petition of Joseph B. Hall and others of  
Presque Isle for an act of incorporation were  
severally referred to the Committee on Incor-  
poration of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Justus Gay for a donation of land  
in consideration of building mill, was referred  
to the Committee on State Lands and State

Reads. Sent up for concurrence,

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Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of David Wing and others, ordering notice - and.

Report of same Committee on petition of Thomas M. Gray, ordering notice. These reports came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur in the action of the House in ordering notice by publication in newspapers and insisting on their former vote. The House insisted on its former vote ordering notice by publication, and the Reports were returned to the Senate.

Petition of Nathaniel Coffin and others for law to prevent the destruction of Deer. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of inhabitants of Ellitsville, ordering notice by service of copy upon the clerk of the town of Ellitsville came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence -

Adjourned

Attest, George W. Milcup  
Clerk



Tuesday, January 19. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moore of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of S. H. Talbot and ten others for an involuntary law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on that subject. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of W.<sup>m</sup> A. Hemenway and 13 others for an alteration in the constitution, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Blanchard for aid in the support of two paupers in the Insane Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital. Referred in concurrence.

Order relating to the expediency of allowing persons charged with crimes to testify on their trials. and

Order relating to private legislation, came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Order directing committee on Reform School to visit said School. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. On motion of Mr. Booby of Brunswick the order was amended as per sheet it annexed and as amended the order passed. Sent

up for concurrence.

Petition of President and Directors of the  
Wozie Bank for recharter.

Petition of President and Directors of the  
Mercantile Bank for recharter, was several-  
ly referred to the Committee on Banks and  
Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas B. Allen for change of  
name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of J. L. Bradbury and others of Old-  
town for aid to the Medical School of  
Maine.

Petition of Andrew Cornwall and others of  
Brunswick for same.

Petition of Ezra Mantel and others of Frank-  
fort and Monroe for same.

Petition of Eunison Drogging of Mt. Desert for  
same.

Petition of George Parcher and others of Ells-  
worth for same.

Petition of Abner Stetson and 122 others for  
aid to East Maine Conference Seminary.

These petitions were severally received and  
referred to the Committee on Education.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Rose and 32 others for an appropriation to build a bridge across the Presque Isle Stream.

Petition of H. S. Gilman & Co. for aid. These petitions were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Willard Walker and 252 others of Bath for a repeal of the law authorizing the disclosure of debtors under arrest on execution without bond. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Stephen Young and 127 others for a division of the town of Pittston.

Petition of John Freely and seven others praying to be set off from Mt Vernon and annexed to the town of Readfield.

Petition of Isaac Lemont and seven others to be set off from Brunswick and annexed to Bath. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Nagas of Richmond was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Division of Counties caused by the withdrawal of Mr. Mellick of Cambridge.

Petition of J. B. Marrow and others for an act of incorporation for an Agricultural Society to be called the Oxford, Androscoggin Valley.

and Franklin Agricultural Society.  
Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the town of West Fair-  
dine, came from the Senate passed to  
be engrossed. Read once and tomorrow  
assigned for a second reading

Mr. Hussey of Pembroke presented the account  
of Thomas J. Shearman for expenses as coroner.  
Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent  
up for concurrence.

Bills an act to abolish imprisonment for  
debt. Laid on the table by Mr. Porter &  
Lowell and under the rule lies over one day

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns  
on petition of Thomas M. Gay. This report  
came from the Senate that branch insisting  
on its former vote accepting the report and  
proposing a conference of the two houses  
and appointing Messrs Chapman, Wiggins  
and Plaisted as conferees on the part of  
the Senate. The House voted to adhere to  
its former vote ordering notice by publi-  
cation.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns  
on petition of David Wing and others.  
This report came from the Senate, that  
branch insisting on its former vote ac-  
cepting the report and proposing a con-  
ference and appointing Messrs Chapman,  
Wiggins and Plaisted as conferees on the



part of the Senate. The House voted to adhere to its former vote ordering notice by publication, and returned the reports to the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Smiley and 59 others of Winslow for a law to prohibit the exhibitions of travelling circusses. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Picknell of Augusta. Ordered that the use of the Representatives Hall be granted to W<sup>m</sup> W. Turner, Wednesday next, 20<sup>th</sup> instant at two o'clock P.M. for the purpose of introducing Master Ballard a deaf mute educated by this State, and to make some exhibitions of his attainments. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of Greenfield. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Sec. 13, Chap. 22 of the Revised Statutes that all occupants or owners of adjoining lands, lying common or unimproved, shall build and maintain one half of all partition fences, adjoining all such lands lying common or unimproved as is provided in the same section for building and maintaining fences adjoining lands enclosed by both parties. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rackliff of Wesley. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be

instructed to enquire into the expediency of  
so amending that part of chapter 6  
of the Revised Statutes as relates to the  
collection of taxes in incorporated places on  
lands of non resident owners. That after  
due notice given to said owners of the  
amount in which they are assessed by  
publishing said assessment in a news-  
paper printed in the county or otherwise,  
the nonresident proprietors shall be sub-  
ject to the same rules and regulations  
as far as practicable as resident pro-  
prietors. Read and passed. Sent up for  
concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Patton of Fort Fairfield  
Ordered that the Committee on State Lands  
and State Roads enquire into the exp-  
ediency of setting apart certain townships  
for settlements. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. Geo. W. Milnes Clerk

Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith of Northfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Apesners and others of Franklin to legalize certain apesishments, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Moses Rose and seven others to be incorporated as the Trustees of Progreso Isle Academy, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the town of West Gardiner. This resolve having had two several readings and reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Eastern Bank, Bangor for a reduction of their Capital.

Petition of the Directors of the Maine Bank asking for leave to reduce their Capital, Severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Cyrus F. Bryant, was on motion of Mr. Hobbs of Watford, taken from the table and re-committed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gilbert from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act in relation to the City of Bath, reported the bill amended as per sheets A and B annexed, and as amended reported it in a new draft. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Israel Davis praying that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey to him certain lots of land in townships No. 11, Range one, in the County of Arrostook

Petition of the inhabitants of Lehusuncook for a grant of land to them in aid of building mill.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and 34 others for the survey and location of a road from Bridgewater to Number eleven Range 5 Arrostook County

These petitions were severally received and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company for authority to extend a branch line to the Androscoggin and Kennebec Railroad near Danville Junction.

Petition of Amos W. Roberts and 100 others of Bangor that the Legislature may compel the Penobscot and Kennebec and Somerset and Kennebec Railroads to connect



their trains at Norralls Mills.

Petition of W<sup>m</sup> Lowder and others for a more convenient passage through the bridge at Banger for vessels.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wapow from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of Joseph B. Hall and others. reported order of notice to be published in the Amherst Pioneer. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Bicknell of Augusta laid upon the table the County Estimates for the County of Kennebec and on his motion they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Petition of David Godfrey and O. M. Dupliss of Lubec asking for a right to extend their fish ways into tide waters in said Lubec.

Petition of W<sup>m</sup> Fisher and others of Arrowsic for the protection of fish in Sewall pond or its outlets in Arrowsic.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Corvill and others of Pittston for an act to incorporate the Naumkeag

Fishing Company in the town of Pittston.  
Referred to the Committee on Fisheries Waters.  
Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Field of Danville, ordered  
that the Judiciary Committee be directed to  
inquire into the expediency of so amend-  
ing the 6<sup>th</sup> Section of the 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter of  
the Revised Statutes of 1857 so that in-  
stead of reading, a person who furnishes  
labor or materials for a vessel building,  
it may read, for the building of any  
vessel. Also to inquire into the expediency of  
extending the time of enforcement of  
lien on vessels, and report by bill or  
otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Burton of Warren, Or-  
dered that the Committee on the Judiciary  
be directed to inquire what further legis-  
lation, if any is necessary in relation to  
the examination of parties as witnesses  
in process arising under Chapter 97  
of the Revised Statutes respecting bastard  
children and their maintainances.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gibbs of Bath, ordered  
that the Committee on the Judiciary, be and  
herely are instructed to inquire whether  
any further legislation is necessary to pro-  
tect the rights of towns through which ways  
may be laid by joint boards of county  
commissioners acting for two or more  
counties and whether in such cases an  
appeal from the action from such joint

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boards, ought not to be allowed for taxes and other parties interested, to the Supreme Judicial Court in the County in which the appealing town is, or other parties reside and report by bill or otherwise, Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holt of Tumor. Ordered that the use of this Hall, be granted to Henry Boynton Esq. of Kansas this evening for the purpose of delivering a lecture upon the politics and resources of Kansas. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath. Ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to enquire whether it be expedient to amend the twenty second section of the seventy seventh chapter of the Revised Statutes by inserting in the last paragraph after the word "thanksgiving" the words "or Christmas day." Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Peter S. Tolson for pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Winslow for repayment of twenty dollars, which was paid by him in accordance with the provisions of the law of inspection. Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Matthew J. Bowker for divorce.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.  
Sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of John T. Gilman and others for  
an act of incorporation. Referred to the  
Committee on Education. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. Geo. W. Wilcox  
Clerks



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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hudson of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for an appropriation in aid of said Seminary.

Petition of William M. Pears and others for an act of incorporation as Trustees of Sacred Brighton High School.

Petition of citizens of Franklin in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary.

These petitions were received from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Woodbury Davis for payment of arrears of salary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of John Glidden and others for leave to extend a wharf, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section 27 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes.

Bill an act to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing

and publishing the history thereof.

These bills were severally received from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and they were reported in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls debating Club and Library Association

Bill an act respecting School district Number four in Winthrop

These bills came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Reported in concurrence.

Order referring so much of the Governor's message as relates to Slavery to a joint special Committee. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed and Messrs. Goddard, Woodbury and Hobart were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence and Messrs. Hanson of Gardiner, Prentiss of Bangor, Marshall of Belfast, Porter of Lowell, Kingsbury of Kennebunk, Pratt of Oxford, & Skillein of North Yarmouth were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of inhabitants of Number 7, Range 3, ordering notice by service of copy upon the Clerk of Number 7, Range 3.

Report of the same Committee, ordering notice on the petition of Joseph Blake by publication in the Amherst Pioneer.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, they were read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the City of Bath, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 82 Section 83 of the Revised Statutes, authorizing ex-ecutors and administrators and heirs to testify in certain cases. Mr. Gilbert of Bath moved the amendment annexed to the bill on sheet A, and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the bill and amendment were recommitted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Grievances of Town, on petition of Stickbridge P. Graves, reported ordering notice by service of copy on Clerks of Bowdoin and Bowdoinham.

The same gentleman from the same Committee, reported order of notice on petition of John Greely by service of copies upon the Clerks of the towns of Readfield and Mt. Vernon.

Also order of notice on petition of Daniel

M. Herrick by service of copy, on the Clerk  
of Hamilton's Grant and Bethel.

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Also order of notice upon the petition of  
Thomas J. Haines and others, by service of  
copies on the Clerks of the towns of Servant  
and Kenduskeag.

The foregoing reports were severally read  
and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Averill Esq. for leave to  
build a wharf in New Castle, came from  
the Senate referred to the Committee on  
Interior Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

The following reports from the Committee on  
Division of Towns, came from the Senate  
having been read and accepted, and they  
were severally read and accepted in con-  
currence. viz:

On the petition of David Wing and others or-  
dering notice

On the petition of Stephen Young and others " "

On petition of S. H. Parsons and others " "

On petition of Abraham Waterhouse " "

On petition of John Davis " "

On petition of Thomas M. Gray and others " "

and on petition of Isaac Clement " "



Bill an act authorizing the county commissioners of Oxford County to receive certain taxes. The above bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to abolish imprisonment for debt was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the County Estimates for the several Counties of the State, so far as they have been received at his office, and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Bill an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands of the State, laid on the table by Mr. Brown of Wallon and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 12. of the Revised Statutes relating to parishes and religious Societies, laid on the table by Mr. Brady of Brunswick and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the town of West Gardiner, This resolve having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly

and strictly engrossed, was finally passed,  
signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Laura J. Bragg for change of  
name.

Petition of John Pierce Jr. and others for change of  
name of Alma Cleaveland, was curially re-  
ceived and referred to the Committee on Change  
of names.

Remonstrances of Joel Bean, John Allen and  
52 others against a portion of Letter T. being  
incorporated with Presque Isle, was referred  
to the Committee on the Incorporation of  
Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Hookson and others for aid  
to the East Maine Conference Seminary.  
Referred to the Committee on Education.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Statement of A. Rackliff and 17 others of  
Presque Isle relating to incorporation, was  
referred to the Committee on Incorporation  
of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Asael Pows and eight others, to  
be set off from Providence and annexed  
to Richmond, was referred to the Committee  
on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel A. Gilman and others in  
aid of the petition of Isaac M. Bragg for a  
dam on the East branch of Mattawamkeag  
river, was referred to the Committee on Interior

Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Ruggles and 174 other members of Lincoln bar for change of time of holding May term of Supreme Judicial Court, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Greenfield and township No. 1, in the County of Hancock to be set off from the County of Hancock and annexed to the County of Penobscot, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. Sauls and 87 others for a prohibitory liquor law.

Petition of Mary E. Lehasse and 146 other ladies of Phillips for Sams. These petitions were severally referred to the Joint Special Committee having that subject under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Quint of Bowdoinham presented the account of Josiah Morrow, and on his motion it was referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. Libbermann in relation to settlement on the public lands of the State. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Roak of Durham ordered that the members of the Board of Agriculture

during their present session be admitted to the privileges of the State Library on the same conditions as members of the Legislature. Read and passed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Tipton. Ordered that the use of this Hall be granted to the Board of Agriculture tomorrow (Friday evening) for the purpose of a public discussion of the question. "What means are required to give a new impulse to the industrial interests of this State." Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Parsons of Custer Plantation. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary enquire into the expediency of passing an act enabling plantations to raise highway money by a tax thirds vote of the electors present at their annual meeting. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Belfast. Ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire whether in the recent revision of the Statutes, any change has been made in the law relating to opening roads in unincorporated places and whether sections 30 and 33 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes require amendment in that respect. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buxton of Warran. Ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the



expediency of so altering Section 16 of Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens on buildings and lots as more clearly to define the rights of parties under its provisions. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ranney of Minn. ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary, be requested to enquire into the expediency of altering or amending section twenty second Chapter twenty fourth of the Revised Statutes so that overseers of the poor of towns may better understand their duty with regard to persons falling into distresp in adjoining unincorporated places. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of New Brunswick ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary with regard to the use of check lists in the election of City, town and plantation officers, and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, George N. Milcor  
Clerk

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Friday, January 22<sup>d</sup> 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Tappan of Augusta.

Mr. French from the Committee on the Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order in relation to giving persons a license for digging, making or hauling slates

Mr. Ruston from the same Committee made the same report on an order relating to the liabilities of proprietors of lands in unincorporated townships for damages sustained on roads in such townships

The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior Affairs reported an order of notice on petition of Isaac M. Bragg by publication in the Whig and Courier in Bangor Report accepted and sent up for concurrence

Mr. Frost of the Judiciary Committee on order to the expediency of taxing rights to cut lumber on lands in this State granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts reported an order of notice by a publication in the State Paper, Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Phelps of Sealais, ordered that the Committee on Finance be instructed to enquire into the expediency of laying a State tax of two hundred thousand dollars

138. for the present year. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Galois ordered that the Committee on Finance be instructed to enquire into the expediency of making provision for the payment of so much of the State debt as falls due on the first of March next.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Ellsworth, ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of amending Chapter 244 of the Revised Statutes so that persons moving into this State from any other State, shall gain a legal settlement, as provided in Chapter 69 of the public laws of 1853 of New Hampshire, or Chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes of Massachusetts. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sargent of Brooklyn, Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Chap't. 6, Sect. 6 of the Revised Statutes, that widows whose real and personal estate does not exceed five hundred dollars shall be exempt from taxation. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Waterford Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of repealing or so modifying the existing laws of the State providing for the appointment of County commissioners and prescribing their powers and duties so as to

render the system less expensive and oppressive, and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of reducing the expenses of the Judiciary system of this State. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rackliff of Wesley, ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture be and the same are hereby directed to enquire into the expediency of amending Chapter 30 Section 5 of the Revised Statutes so as to increase the bounty on bears and wolves. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Banks of Biddisford, ordered that the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be directed to enquire what legislation if any is necessary to protect the people of this State from irresponsible foreign Insurance Companies, and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deane of Portland, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Chapter 107 of the Revised Statutes that provision may be made for the taking of depositions either by the government or party accused to be used in criminal causes on like terms, for like reasons in the same manner as are now provided in said Chapter



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for taking depositions to be used in civil cases. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pellingill of Weyne ordered that the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the law as that no funds shall be furnished by the State to agricultural societies for any purpose except for the improvement of stock raising in agriculture and in the mechanic arts. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to enquire whether any legislation is necessary to render intelligible the 9<sup>th</sup> section of the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Revised Statutes, which was intended to define the northern Arrowstock registry district. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, with returns of cashiers of banks and clerks of corporations, as have been received in his office prior to this date, and the same were placed on file.

Bill an act to amend the act incorporating the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth approved April 15. 1857. Laid on the table by Mr. Hale, of Coham and under the rule lies over one day.

Mr. Flye from the Committee on Accounts on petition of Daniel Winslow reported.

asking to be discharged from the consideration of said petition and recommending the reference thereof to the Committee on Claims. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jacob Cushman for change of name of an adopted child.

Petition of Frederick William Morang. for change of name. Referred to the Committee on change of Name.

Petition of Albion Staples and 77 others inhabitants of Stockton praying to have said town annexed to Prospect.

Petition of the Selectmen of Prospect in behalf of the inhabitants of said town. praying that Stockton may be annexed to said town of Prospect

These petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Divisions of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Dainal for a law to prevent banks from taking more than six per cent. interest. Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Levi Whitman and other members of Oxford, Androscoggin and Lounsbury land bars, farms and others, praying for alteration of the laws relating to County

commissioners so that they may be left expensive. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Seth Norcross of Chesterfield, preferring certain charges against the County Attorney of the County of Franklin. This petition was received and referred to a special Committee of the House consisting of Messrs —

Resolved in relation to printing certain documents. Laid on the table by Mr. French of Damariscotta and on motion of Mr. Comstock of Lubec the rules were suspended, and the resolver having had two several readings, was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Borden of Brunswick, ordered that the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of establishing one or more Normal Schools for the training of teachers in this State, the expense of establishing and maintaining said schools to be defrayed out of the proceeds of the State tax on banks and to report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Judge of Probate of Waldo County praying for increase of salary. On motion of Mr. Miliken of Calais it was referred to the Waldo delegation. Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate

A communication was received from Noah Parker Esq. signifying his acceptance of the office of Land Agent.

Report of Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of W. F. Farrington and others, reporting Bill an act entitled an act to incorporate the Preaders aid society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on Interior Matters on petition of Samuel Aronson Esq. ordering notice to be posted at the post office in New Castle and at some public place in Lamoine and other Villages.

Report of same Committee on petition of John Gladden and others, ordering same notice as the foregoing.

These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and they were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of Counties on petition of Paul Lays,



ordering notice by a publication in the  
Arroostook Pioneer.

This report came from the Senate hav-  
ing been read and accepted, and it  
was read and accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. George N. Milcox Clerk

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Saturday January 23 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Colby of Augusta.

Mr. Deane from the Committee on Education on petition of John T. Gilman and others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction. The report was accepted the bill read twice and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the preachers and society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church this bill was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings was hoped to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday referred the petition of Seth Norcross to a special Committee and to lay said motion on the table and assign Monday next for its consideration, and the motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Prentiss of Bangor the House adjourned.

Adjourned.

Attest, Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk

Monday January 25. 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dexter of Augusta

Bills an act to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction. Reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Brown of Portland presented the account of E. H. Hall as coroner for expenses of an inquest on the body of a foreigner, and on his motion it was referred to the Committee on accounts, and Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Andrew P. Cousins and others for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee having that subject under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Doane and others for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary.

Petition of S. J. Harrison and others for same.

Petition of Wm. Marsh and others for same. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Education on petition of William A. Davis and others, reported granting leave to bring in a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the South Bridgton High School. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third

reading)

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Augusta Free Bridge Company. Laid on the table by Mr. Pickens of Augusta and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves providing for the publication and distribution of the School Laws. Laid on the table by Mr. Sawyer of Baldwin and referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elizabeth A. McKinney for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of the Inhabitants of Simstons plantation for an act to raise taxes.

Petition of Ann J. Freley and others, that the right of suffrage may be exercised by women. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of the St. John River from Maine Daigle and 42 others in relation to selling lands under the Treaty of Washington. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Rose and John W. Trueman for incorporation of Presque Isle and removal



strance against adding more territory thereto. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Watford, ordered that the use of the Representatives Hall, be granted to Capt. S. W. Cook, Monday evening January 31<sup>st</sup> for the purpose of giving a narration of the trip of the Steamer, Central America. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, ordered that the Governor be requested to communicate to this House for the use of the Legislature any information he may possess relative to the doings of the Commissioners on Claims at Washington. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Prentiss of Bangor, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire whether Section one hundred and forty three of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes should be amended so as to dispense with recording the treasurer's deed of land sold for taxes, before the forfeiture thereof, and whether section one hundred and forty nine of the same Chapter should be amended by adding to the form for the return of sales, a column for the description of the property sold, and to report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, ordered that the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending

an act entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Croix River" so as to make the same more effective, and also to allow fish to be taken in weirs below the ledge without restriction as to time. Sent up for concurrence.

The motion made Saturday to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused the petition of Seth Norcross to a special committee and assigned for today was taken up and the House reconsidered its vote and refused to refer the petition to a special committee. Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Mr. Pike of Topsfield moved to lay the motion for leave to withdraw on the table and assign tomorrow for its consideration. The House refused to lay the motion on the table, and the question occurred on the motion to grant the petitioners leave to withdraw, and on motion of Mr. Pike of Topsfield the House ordered that when the question be taken, it be taken by Yeas and Nays, and being so taken the House voted to grant said petitioners leave to withdraw by Yeas 68. Nays 23, as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Arnold, Babbidge, Bailey, Becknell, Brown, Buck, Bunker, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clement, Conant, Dean, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Sanders, Hale, Hensley, Hobbs, Johnson, Jenkins, G. A. Kimball, L. C. Kimball, S. Kingbury

J. R. Kingsbury, Leighton, Loring, Maddox,  
 Marcy, Marshall, McLaughlin, Milliken  
 J. L. Moor, Morrison, T. Parker, Parsons, Patton  
 Percy, Perkins, Pittinger, T. W. Pike, S. R.  
 Porter, Prouty, Rackliff, Ranney, Rice, Roark  
 Rowell, Sally, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman,  
 Skinner, Snow, Stanley, Stockbridge, Tilton  
 Wakarusa, Waterhouse, Whitney, Wing, Woodman  
 and York.

Those who voted in the Negative  
 were Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder,  
 Blaisdell, Brown, Buxton, Edclark, Cumming-  
 ham, Comstock, Ingalls, Lett, Libbey, J. Libbey  
 Maybury, Mulling, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer  
 Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Rideout, Rogers  
 A. B. Shaw and Russell.

Bills an act to amend the act incorporating  
 the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in  
 Falmouth, approved April 15, 1857, taken  
 from the table on motion of Mr. Hall of  
 Coham, Read twice and tomorrow assigned  
 for its third reading.

Bills an act to incorporate the Prachers aid  
 society of the Maine Conference of the Me-  
 thodist Episcopal Church. This bill having  
 had three several readings and passed  
 to be engrossed and reported by the Com-  
 mittee on Engrossed Bills as truly and  
 strictly engrossed, was passed to be enact-  
 ed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the  
 Senate—

Relain of the town of Robbinston, for bounty  
 on beaver, presented by Mr. Pike of Calais

and on his motion referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence,

On motion of Mr. Morrison of Farmington Ordered, that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be requested to enquire into the expediency of providing a salary for members and officers of the Legislature, instead of per diem pay, as a measure tending to shorten legislative sessions, and lessen the incidental expenses of the same. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary, be instructed to enquire into the propriety of amending Chap. 6 section 41. of the Revised Statutes, so as to make the section conform to the old law upon the subject of the section, and also, to enquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to the duty of County Commissioners in giving notice when called upon to lay out roads in unincorporated places,

Adjourned,

Attest, Geo. W. Milroy Clerk



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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Amistags of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. Pierce of Kittery. Ordered that the petition of George D. Bacon and others inhabitants of Unity plantation, asking for reduction of State valuation of said plantation be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Sebago. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, that provision may be made for operations in manufacturing establishments to have a lien upon manufactured articles, upon which they have worked and power to enforce the same, and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Bradford. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so altering or amending Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, that settlements subjecting towns to pay for the support of persons on account of their poverty or distress may be limited to three years instead of five. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Concord. Ordered that the Committee on the Militia

be instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending section seven of Chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, limiting the number of active militia in this State by striking out the word "four" before "thousand" and inserting therein instead thereof the word "two". Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tilton of Rockland, Ordered that the Committee on the State Prison be directed to enquire into the expediency of enacting a law, whereby all persons, who are, now or shall be sentenced to a term of years in the State Prison, shall have stricken from their term of servitude, two days for each month, that they shall so conduct themselves as to merit the approbation of the Warden and Prison Inspectors, and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Miss L. Appleton and others in aid of the petition of Amos M. Roberts and others. Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting to the House the report of the Commission on Claims at Washington and on motion of Mr. Pels of Lealais it was laid upon the table.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth, approved April 15. 1857. Reported by the Committee on Bills in the third reading and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 50 of the public laws of 1857. Laid on the table by Mr. Deane of Portland and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Livermore for bounty.

Claim of the Treasurer of Plantations Seta B. for bounty.

Claims of the Treasurers of Lincoln plantations, Bethel, and account of Masters & Smith. were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Winslow Hunt and others of Pittston for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary.

Petition of Ezekiel Prescott and 17 others to have the doings of districts No 1, 7 & 10, in Montville and Liberty be made valid.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George F. Pattin and 100 other citizens of Bath, for an insolvent law.

Petition of George W. Pickering and 268 others for same.

Petition of Luke Brown and 18 others for same.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Johnson against an insolvent law. were severally referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John D. Fitzgerald for change of name, Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Hiram Norton and others to be set off from Orono and annexed to Bangor.

Remonstrances of Inhabitants of Orono against the petition of Hiram Norton and others,

Remonstrances of George E. Hodges and 10 others against the petition of Abel Paine and others to be set off from Bridgton and annexed to Richmond.

The above petition and remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence -



Claims of M. W. Burnham and others for services and expenses in taking care of a State pauper. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions of Angus Doe and others of Amherst County in relation to pauper tax. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions of Moses Lincoln and others for restrictions on seine nets and weirs, for taking herring in Cobscook Bay, in Lubec, Eastport and Perry. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Asa Smith and 13 others for aid to build a Railroad from Milford to some point in the valley of the Amherst.

Petition of S. C. Proctor and 40 others for an appropriation for a bridge across the North branch of the Dead River. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Finance on order relating to a State loan, reported a resolve entitled a resolve authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt. Report accepted, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Worden from the Judiciary Committee

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on order relating to publications of intentions of marriage, reported a bill entitled an act to amend Chapter 59 relating to marriage and its solemnization. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Bicknell of Augusta it was laid upon the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature. \*

Mr. Kinsbury of Bradford moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday granted leave to Seth Percrop to withdraw his petition. The House by a vote of 71 to 34 refused to reconsider the vote granting leave to withdraw.

Petition of Arhur Lamsom for pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Benajah Pratt and others of Prosser. For an appropriation to open the State Roads from Prosser Falls to New Brun. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Sanford Noble and others to refund certain money by him paid to the State. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the Treasurer of Monticello for bounty paid on wild animals. Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buck of Aldtown, the House refused the papers accompanying the message of the Governor, in relation to the Commissioners of Claims at Washington to the joint select committee, having that subject under consideration.

Mr. Buck of Aldtown laid upon the table Bill an act concerning the commencement of suits against certain officers. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

### Papers from the Senate

Petition of Ira Fish and 52 others for appropriation for survey of railroad route from Mattawamkeag to the Arrostook River.

Petition of Joseph B. Hall and 87 others for same. These petitions came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Order relating to government buoys and other aids to navigation.

Order relating to building and repairing roads in Arrostook County.

Order requesting the Secretary of State to lay before the Legislature the account of James Walker. These orders came from the Senate having been read and

passed, and they were severally read  
and passed in concurrence.

Resolved in relation to printing certain doc-  
uments. This resolve came from the  
Senate amended as per. Sheet 'W' am-  
ended and as amended, passed to be  
engrossed and sent down for concurrence.  
The House refused to concur in the Sen-  
ate amendment, reconsidered its vote  
whereby it passed the resolve to be en-  
grossed, amended the resolve as per  
sheet B amended and as amended  
passed the resolve to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk



Wednesday January, 27, 1858,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dillingham of Augusta.

A communication was received from the Treasurer of State relating to certain notes due for timber cut upon lands belonging to the Sapamaguddy Indians, and the same was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves authorizing a renewal of a portion of the State debt, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had two several readings was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the South Bridgeton High School. Reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wordenau from the Judiciary Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of W<sup>m</sup> H. Hemmenway and others and on petition of Mr. J. Talbot and others. Also on an order accompanied by a Bill entitled an act to prevent difficulty between towns in regard to paupers reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

Mr. Puxton from same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Solomon Leary and others.

Mr. Borden from the Committee on Education reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. S. Hous and others.

Mr. Buxton from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending Sec. 11 Chap. 3 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the choice of Selectmen and assessors.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Education on a statement of facts and a resolve in favor of Limerick Academy reported the resolve and that it ought not to pass.

Mr. Merriam from the Committee on Education reported leave to withdraw on petition of Arthur McClure in behalf of Limington Academy. Also same report on petition of Trustees of Limington Academy for an endowment.

Mr. Silsby from the Judiciary Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Samuel Smiley and others relating to prohibiting circus.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike from the Judiciary Committee on petition of Selectmen of Lobb, reported granting leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to make valid

the doings of the town officers of the town of Sebec. Report accepted, Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act relating to the City of Bath. This bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of E. B. Stackpole and others of Kenduskeeg for insolvent law.

Petition of Oliver Nash and others for same.

Petition of John N. Coffin and others for same.

Petition of Henry Bailey and others for same.

Petition of Willard T. Brown and 49 others of New Castle for same. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the treasurers of the towns of Sangerville, Kingsbury, Springfield and Columbia and claims of the treasurers of plantations No. 7 all for bounty paid, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin W. Fisk and others and

Petition of Richard Libby and 43 others for a railroad from Milford to the County of Amherst. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of M. J. Talbot and 21 others of East Machias for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Inhabitants of Milford for aid to enable them to build a bridge across the Piscataquis river. Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Brown and others of Millbridge asking for leave to build a wharf in tide waters. Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. J. W. Stearns and others for incorporation of West Piscataquis Agricultural Society. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Assessors, Treasurers and Collectors of Brunswick to make valid their doings in relation to taxes of non resident proprietors of said town for the years 1855 and 1856. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses S. Wilder and others for restrictions on skins, wies and nets for taking



herring in the bays in Penobscot and Penikese  
 Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.  
 Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Kearney Jr. and others in  
 aid of petition of Asael Power and others  
 to be set off from Brunswick and annexed  
 to Richmond. Referred to the Committee on  
 Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions of Seth Norcross making certain  
 charges against the County Attorney of Frank-  
 lin County, presented by Mr. Pike of Top-  
 sheld and on his motion laid on the table  
 until tomorrow. On motion of Mr. Woodman  
 of Bucksport the House reconsidered its  
 vote whereby the House laid the petition on  
 the table. Mr. Woodman of Bucksport moved  
 to refer the petition to the Committee on the  
 Judiciary, and Mr. Pike of Topsheld moved  
 to lay the motion of Mr. Woodman on the  
 table. Mr. Pike withdrew his motion to lay on  
 the table the motion of the gentleman from  
 Bucksport. Mr. Pike renewed the motion  
 to lay on the table, and the House refused  
 to lay the petition on the table by a vote  
 of 49 to 48. Mr. Pike of Topsheld moved  
 that the House adjourn. The House refused  
 to adjourn. The House voted to refer the  
 petition to the Committee on the Judiciary.  
 Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved an ad-  
 journment and the motion was lost.  
 Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved to reconsider  
 the vote whereby the petition was referred  
 to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Benton of  
 Warren moved the Yeas and Nays. The House

refused to order the Yeas and Nays. The House refused to reconsider the vote referring the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Moor of Ellsworth, ordered that the Committee on the State Prisons be authorized to visit that institution on or before the fifteenth day of February next for the purpose of examining into the affairs of said prison and make a report thereon during this session of the Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ridout of Cumberland, Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to consider the expediency of amending Chapter 116 Section 13 of the Revised Statute in regard to fees of witnesses as to allow each witness one dollar and fifty cents per day instead of one dollar and twenty five cents as now fixed by law. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that members of the Legislature shall not be subject to be trusted for any amount due from them for board during the session thereof. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk

Thursday January 28. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Pease of Augusta  
Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Joshua Tolson and seventeen  
others praying for an appropriation to build  
a road from Greenville to Chesuncook Lake.

Petition of S. Robinson and 95 others for a survey  
of a railroad route from Mattawamkeag to  
some point on the Hoosestock River.

Petition of Oliver Eveleth and 170 others pray-  
ing for an appropriation to build a road  
from Greenville to Chesuncook Lake. These  
petitions were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education on Bill  
an act respecting school district No. 4 in  
Winthrop reporting the bill and that it  
ought to pass. Also on Bill an act to enlarge  
the powers of school district No. 4 in Winthrop  
reporting the Bill and that it ought to pass.  
These reports came from the Senate having  
been read and accepted and the bills  
passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in  
concurrence. Bills read twice and tomorrow  
assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Division of  
Towns on petition of Lewis F. Bryant reported  
ordering notice by service of copies upon the  
clerks of the towns of Fairfield and Thomfield.

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Mr. Parker from the same committee reported order of notice on petition of Ansel Powers and others ordering notice by service of copy upon the clerks of the towns of Broomfieldham & Richmond.

Mr. Parker from same Committee on petition of Alvin Staples and others reported an order of notice by service of copies on the clerks of the towns of Stockton and Prospect. The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the town of Searport for a special law to enable said town to call in and pay certain town orders. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Seb. This bill having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from Benj. D. Peck Esq. signifying his acceptance of the office of Treasurer of the State, and transmitting his bond for the current fiscal year. This Bond came from the Senate referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurers Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Mr. Strickland from the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges, on order relating to limiting road districts reported legislation



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unexpedient. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. Brown and 15 others for additional legislation in respect to inspection of lands at the Kilm. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Richard Huston and 124 others and petition of Daniel Smith Jr and 110 others and petition of James Merrill and others of Whitefield for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee having that subject under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Leabel Edwards and Oliver Small praying that a small piece of land may be set off from the town of Poland and annexed to the town of Chieffield. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns ordering notice on petition of the Inhabitants of Elliottsville. This report came from the Senate that branch having reconsidered the vote accepting this report and recommitted the same. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it accepted the report and recommitted it in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction. This bill

having had three several readings, and hoped to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was hoped to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolves in relation to printing certain documents. This resolve having had two several readings and hoped to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Poutlip from the Judiciary Committee on Bill an act to abolish imprisonment for debt made a special report which was read and on his motion laid on the table.

Petition of John Pomroy and 35 others for aid to repair the bridge across the Mattawamkeag in Bancroft plantation. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. L. Rogers and 20 others for increase of officers fees for service of civil process.

Petition of J. L. Rogers and 21 others in relation to poor debtor disclosures. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Scribner and others

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praying that land may be set off from  
the town of Poland and annexed to  
Cusco.

Remonstrance of Josiah Morrow and 145  
others, against the petition of Auld Powers  
and others. The above petition and remon-  
strance were severally referred to the Com-  
mittee on Division of Towns. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Monroe and 62 others for charter  
for Agricultural Society.

Petition of John P. Shaw and 27 others for  
same. These petitions were referred to the  
Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of Josiah R. Hallam for change of  
name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Munro of Williamsburg. Or-  
dered, that the Lands Agent be and is  
herely required to make out a list of such  
townships and tracts of land lying within  
the State as have been sold or granted  
for other than farming purposes, which  
though liable to taxation has not been  
applied for state or county purposes, nor  
for opening making and repairing roads  
and to report the same to this House at  
his earliest convenience. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport  
Ordered, that the Committee on Education be

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directed to enquire into the expediency of  
requesting our Senators and Representatives  
in Congress to use their efforts to procure a  
distribution of a portion of the public lands  
belonging to the United States, among the  
several States for educational purposes.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest Geo. W. Wilson Clerk



Friday January. 29. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta  
Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Treasurers  
Bond, came from the Senate having been  
read and accepted. Read and accepted  
in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns  
on petition of the Selectmen of Prospect, or-  
dering notice by service of copy upon the  
clerk of Stockton and Prospect.

Report of same Committee on petition of  
Abrams Norton of Arno ordering notice by  
service of copies on the clerk of the town  
of Arno and the city of Bangor.

Report of the Committee on the Incorporation of  
Towns on petition of John W. Trueman and others  
ordering notice by publication in the Augusta  
Pioneer.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs  
and Insurance on petition of William Woodbury  
and others ordering notice by publication in  
the Portland Advertiser and Eastern Argus.

The above reports came from the Senate having  
been read and accepted. Severally read  
and accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate

through its Secretary informing the House that in the absence of the President, the Senate had elected the Hon. E. W. Woodbury of Oxford as President Pro tem.

Report of Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petitions of the Inhabitants of Elliptical ordering notice by service of copy on the clerk of the town of Elliptical. This report came from the Senate accepted, Accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Ira Fish and 100 others asking to have a railroad route surveyed from Milford to some point in the valley of the Arrowstock

Petition of Laboz Dorman and others of Arrowstock County for an appropriation for a survey of a railroad route from Mattawamkeag.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of David Stenick and others for an insolvent law. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William Somaby and others of Hancock County for an Agricultural Society came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Referred in concurrence.

Order to take from the files the report of commissioners to Paris exhibition in 1855 and refer the same back to said commissioners came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Lealais. Ordered that the Joint Select Committee on Treasures Accounts be directed to enquire into the expediency of so altering the charter of the Maine State Seminary as to pay them ten thousand dollars in money instead of the scrip provided for in their charter. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting for distribution the annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools for the year 1857.

Bill an act regulating the admissibility of depositions. Laid on the table by Mr. Prouty of Bangor. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee on Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity funds of the Maine Convention of Universalists. reported the bill and asked to be discharged from its further consideration and recommending its reference to the Committee on Education. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on statement of the Land

Agent respecting the condition of a bridge near the forks of the Mattawamkeag, reported a resolve, entitled, Resolve in aid of the bridge at Mattawamkeag forks. Report accepted. Resolve read once and Wednesday February 3<sup>d</sup> assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of Hersey, Fletcher &c. and others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled, an act to amend chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of Beef and Pork. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Julia W. Haskell and others of Steuben.

Petition of Almira Blanchard and 1932 others, women of Maine for an enactment of a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor. Referred to the Committee having under consideration so much of the Governor's message as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. S. Starbird and others for an act of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation inexpedient on an order directing inquiry into the expediency



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The same gentleman from the same Committee on Bill an act to amend Chap. 103, Sec. 4 relating to fees of commissioners to assign down, reporting the Bill and that it ought not to pass. These reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on Bill entitled an act to amend Chapter 50 of the public laws of 1857, relating to Municipal and police courts, reported the Bill and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill entitled an act to enable the town of Wintthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurstow for writing and publishing the history thereof. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of the State Agricultural Society for the adoption of measures for the settlement and sale of the public lands, presented by Mr. Miller of Portland and on his motion laid on the table.

Bill an act to enlarge the powers of school district No. 4 in Wethers. This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed in Concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Tarbox and others and petition of Patience Simonson and others and petition of William Fisher and others and petition of David P. Thompson and 16 others asking aid in money or lands for the East Maine Conference. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen and town clerk of Brunswick praying for a charter erecting the village district of said town, a City. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. B. Jenkins and 18 others for a railroad from Milford to Arrowsbrook County.

Petition of Henry W. Lyons and 21 others for same.

Petition of John Pomeroy and 15 others for same.

Three petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Eliphaz G. G. and 144 others praying for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent

law under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Talbot of Camden, asking for the passage of an act to legalize and allow him to extend his wharf. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox. Laid on the table by Mr. Talbot of Bath and referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of Richmond, against petition of Asael Powers and others.

Remonstrance of citizens of West Gardiner against the petition of certain citizens of West Gardiner to be set off from said town and annexed to Gardiner. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Order from the Senate in relation to the accounts of James Walker, came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Gorham, ordered that a joint special Committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to examine the unreported acts and parts of acts named on pages 752, 753 & 754 of the Revised Statutes. (but not contained in the

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volumes) and report to the Legislature such as are now in force. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Candow. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Sections 5, 13 & 14 of Chapter 141 of the Revised Statute so that the expenses attending the commitment of prisoners to houses of correction and their support and employment therein when such prisoners are not able to pay such expenses, shall be born in the same manner as the expenses of persons convicted before the Supreme Court for an offence punishable by imprisonment or fine as provided in Sec. 16 of this Chapter instead of being charged upon the town where such prisoner may belong, thus making them paupers. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Patten of Fort Fairfield. Ordered that the Committee on Education enquire into the expediency of renewing the appropriations made by the last Legislature for the promotion of schools in New Brunswick, Madawaska and Hancock plantations and also enquire whether further legislation is necessary respecting schools in the County of Arrostook. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Vassalborough. Ordered that the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law what books shall be used in our common schools, that there may be a uniform system throughout the state. Also



enquire into the expediency of enacting a general law whereby towns may have the power to grade their schools and in such towns where there is an academy located, the said towns may have power to appropriate a portion of their school money to defray the expense of educating a portion of their scholars at said Academy. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Buckeport ordered that the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law that any school district may raise money for the support of its schools in addition to what it receives from the town. and also to enquire and report by bill or otherwise whether any legislation is necessary or practicable to secure a system of graded schools in the large towns of this State. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stager of Richmond, ordered that the Judiciary Committee examine the laws (if any) relative to owners of buildings when used for public assemblies and report what further security (if any) in such matter is necessary, and if expedient report a bill providing that when the life of any person in the exercise of care and diligence is lost, or any bodily injuries are done to such person by reason of the insufficiency of such building or other cause attributable to the neglect or carelessness of its owner, whether such owner be an indi-

vidual or corporation, a servant or agent in the care of his or their business, the person injured, or in case of his or her death, the representative of such person shall have adequate remedy by due course of law.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending Section 13 of Chapter 141 of R. S. relating to House of Correction so that the owners of the poor of the town where the prisoner was found, when arrested may be called upon for his support. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth approved, April 15, 1857. This bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed bills actually and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization, taken from the table on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland, read the third time and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Tapley from the Committee on the Judiciary on bill an act for the support of paupers in unincorporated places. res.

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ported the bill and that it ought not to pass. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence

Petition of the State Agricultural Society for the adoption of measures for the settlement and sale of the public lands. This petition was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Miller of Portland and on his motion 3000 copies thereof were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of David Brown and 45 others asking aid of the State for injuries sustained by the wife of said Brown at the South Kennebec Agricultural Fair at Gardiner in September, 1857

Petition of David Brown and 10 others for same.

Petition of David Brown and 23 others for same.

The petitions were presented by Mr. Stagar of Richmond and on his motion laid on the table

Adjourned,

Attest, Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk

Saturday January 30<sup>th</sup> 1853.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Prindle of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate -

Order in relation to further legislation for  
lien on any vessel building or undergoing  
repairs.

Order referring reports of Warden and In-  
spectors of the State Prison to the Committee  
on the State Prison.

Order for special committee to consider the  
expediency of amending the constitution  
as to time of State election and appointing  
on said committee on the part of the  
Senate, Messrs Hoyt of Franklin, Plaisted  
of Penobscot, Lockthrop of Somerset, Wing of  
Kennebec, Hobart of Washington, Sargent  
of Hancock and Davis of Cumberland.  
These orders came from the Senate having  
been read and passed. They were verbally  
read & passed in concurrence.

Petition of A.B. Hooster and others of Hancock  
in relation to taxable property. This petition  
came from the Senate referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in  
concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary  
on Bill, an act authorizing the County  
Commissioners of Oxford County to reassess  
certain taxes. reporting the bill in a



new draft and that it ought to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill hoped to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. bill read twice and February first assigned for its third reading.

The House appointed Messrs Hall of Johnsons Wapona of Brooksville. Longfellow of Whitfield Tibbets of Lowell & Bunker of Loomis as the Committee on the part of the House as contemplated by the order passed yesterday on motion of Mr. Hall of Johnsons.

Mr. Pike from the Joint Select Committee on Treasurers Accounts on order in relation to altering the Charter of the Maine State Seminary reported legislation thereon inexpedient. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Clerics on petition of Josiah P. Bean. reporting leave to said petitioner to withdraw. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, the report was laid on the table.

Bill an act to amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of Beef and Pork. This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings was hoped to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of Counties on petition of the Inhabitants of Greenfield and township No. 1 praying that they may be set off from Hancock and annexed to Penobscot. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. The House amended the report as per sheet "A" annexed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Sprague of New Portland, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday ordered 3000 copies of the petition of the State Agricultural Society to be printed. The gentleman from New-Portland moved that the question be taken by Yeas and Nays. the motion was rejected and by a vote of 43 to 41 the House refused to reconsider the vote.

Petition of Ephraim Francis and others in favor of a Railroad from Penobscot to Arrostook

Petition of Augustus Bunker and others for same

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and sent up for concurrence.

Claim of Treasurer of the town of Greenbush for bounty paid on wild Animals. Referred to the Committee on Accounts Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of P. J. Whitney and 90 others of

Arrose for aid in building a railroad from Milford to the County of Amherst. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais the vote whereby this resolve was passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered and the resolve was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the South Brighton High School. This bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Kimbrough from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of S. S. Starbird and others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a Bill entitled an act to incorporate the State of Maine Company. report accepted. Bill read twice & Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary. laid on the table by Mr. Pike of Calais. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolvs in favor of Corinna Union Academy. Laid on the table by Mr. Bunker of Corinna and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition of Josiah J. Beaw. was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta and recommitted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Education on resolvs in favor of Corinna Union Academy. reported the resolvs and that it ought not pass. on motion of Mr. Bunker of Corinna. the report was laid upon the table.

Petitions of S. W. Miller and 43 other inhabitants of town of Swanville of Abigail Nickerson and others of said town severally praying for a more efficient liquor law were referred to the Committee on Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the treasurer of Addington for bounty paid on wild Animals. were referred to Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Rand and 45 others of the Cumberland Bar for the repeal or essential modification of Sect. 18 of Chap. 82 of Revised Statutes in relation to specifications of defence in civil actions



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Petition of Bradford Cummings and others in relation to incorporated Places, supporting their own paupers, and

Bill "an act additional, relating to review of actions" were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Winslow and others who incorporated by the name of the Portland Hydraulic Company for the purpose of introducing pure water into the city of Portland and

Petition of the Directors of the Gardiner and Portland Bridge Company for increase of tolls, were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John B. Taft and others in favor of incorporation of Letter D. first range, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elbridge Knight and others asking that the public lands of Letter D. may be set apart as a permanent school fund, was referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Philander Fletcher for increase of bounty on wolves and bears, referred

to Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of School district No. 5 in Atholston and Bill accompanying same authorizing collection of tax and petition of S. A. Carney and others of New Castle in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary, were referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committee on Fisheries, reporting orders of notices on petitions of Ebenezer Brown and others, for the preservation of fish in Eastern River, also on petition of Moses Lincoln and others for restrictions on seins, nets and wiers taking herring in Bobscok Bay in Eastport, Lubec & Penz. Also on petition of Moses S. Wilder and others praying for restrictions on wiers, seins & nets for taking herring in the towns of Pembroke and Penz. Came from the Senate and they were severally accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Snow from the Committee on Education, on petition of Trustees of Oak Grove Academy for aid to same, reported leave to withdraw. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.  
Attest Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk

Monday February 1<sup>st</sup> 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Fitch of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Paul S. Merrill and others for an appropriation to build a road from Greenville to Lake Umbagog Lake.

Petition of Joseph B. Packard and others for an appropriation to build a road from Kingsbury to Shirley.

Petition of John Gardner and others for deed of lot of lands in township No 8, Range 5—

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of H.C. Hall and others for an insolvent law. Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Order relating to the expediency of limiting the amount of bills in circulation of the several banks in this State. Came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

The House joined to the Committee on the Senate order relating to change of time for holding the State election. Messrs Woodbury of Andover, Knapp of Ea. Livermore

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Whitney of Raymond. Parsons of Eustis  
plantation. Babbidge of Deer Isle. Melanck  
of Pittston. Bunningsham of Edgemoor. Bean  
of Brownfield. Palmer of Exeter. Melling  
of Piskinani. Oliver of Georgetown. Sully  
of Madison. Kingsbury of Waldo. Hersey  
of Pembrook. Corwell of Lebanon.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 50 of the  
public laws of 1857. This bill was read  
three times and on motion of Mr. Porter of  
Lowell was laid upon the table.

Bill an act authorizing the County Com-  
missioners of Oxford County to reapportion cer-  
tain taxes.

Bill an act to enable the town of Winthrop  
to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing  
and publishing the history of said town  
These Bills having been severally reported  
by the Committee on Bills in the Third  
Reading and each having had three sev-  
eral readings, were passed to be engrossed  
in concurrence.

Bill an act respecting school district num-  
ber four in Winthrop. This Bill was read  
three times and on motion of Mr. Mellicken  
of Leander was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the State of  
Maine Company. Reported by the Committee  
on Bills in the Third Reading and having  
had three several readings was passed to  
be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.



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Bill in relation to mortgages of personal property and their redemption. laid on the table by Mr. Woodman of Bucksport. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Comstock from the Committee on Fisheries on petition of David Godfrey and Oliver W. Suptill of Dubec. reported an order of notice by publication of a copy in the Eastport Sentinel. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act respecting school district number four in Winthrop. taken from the table on motion of Mr. Milliken of Camden and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

An Act to enlarge the powers of school district number four in Winthrop. This bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted. signed by the speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 50 of the public laws of 1857. taken from the table on motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell and passed to be engrossed. on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the vote passing the bill to be engrossed was reconsidered and the bill laid upon the table. on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was amended

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in its title as per sheet A annexed and  
as amended papered to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. H. Puddleton and 154 other  
ladies of Livermore Falls and vicinity for  
a prohibitory liquor law. Referred to the  
Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up  
for concurrence.

Petition of A. R. Knapp and 46 others  
for protection of fish in Howard's Pond  
in Haver. Referred to the Committee on  
Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. P. Spofford and others that  
the Legislature will compel the Penobscot  
and Kennebec and the Somerset and Kennebec  
railroads to connect their trains at Kendall's  
Mills. Referred to the Committee on Rail-  
roads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Milo for an  
amendment to Chapter 155. Section 8 of  
the acts and resolves of 1848. Referred  
to the Committee on the Judiciary Sent  
up for concurrence.

Petition of James S. Child and 50 other  
citizens of Augusta for the establishment  
of a judicious and effective insolvent law.  
Referred to the Committee having the sub-  
ject of an insolvent law under consider-  
ation. Sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of Anna Stinson of Madison for a donation of land or money. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Greenfield for bounty paid on bears. Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Knapp of Ea. Libermore ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire into the propriety of permitting libellants to testify in cases of divorces. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Patten of Ft. Fairfield, ordered that the Committee on Agriculture enquire into the expediency of paying Amos Hoyt who was elected a member of the State Board of Agriculture and not allowed to take his seat. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Neal and others inhabitants of W. 9 Range 3. Washington County to be incorporated into a town by the name of Jackson Brook. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned

Attest, George W. Milcox  
Clerk

Tuesday February 2<sup>d</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Putterfield of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Silas H. Turner and 110 others praying for an appropriation to build a road from Kingsbury's Mills to Shirley Corner.

Petition of John F. Pike and 71 others for same. These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of D. W. Fairbanks for pay while acting as a member of the Board of Agriculture came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Rufus H. Brackett and 56 others inhabitants of the town of Acton in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Lebanon Academy for aid. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to increasing the fees of witnesses, reported a Bill entitled an act relating to fees of witnesses.

The same gentleman from the same committee, on order relating to the expediency of amending Sec. 22 of Chap. 24 R. S.



Reported a Bill entitled an act to repeal Section 22 of Chapter 24 of the R.S. relating to paupers. The above reports were severally accepted, the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. French from the Judiciary Committee reported leave to withdraw on the petition of Charles Lovell and others praying that women may have the right to vote.

Mr. Ruston from the same Committee on Bill an act to amend the twenty seventh section of Chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes. Reported the Bill and that it might not pass. The foregoing reports were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Eleazer B. Paine for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of names.

Mr. Boddy from the Committee on Education on order directing said Committee to inquire into the expediency of establishing one or more Normal Schools, reported a Bill entitled an act to provide for a State Normal School. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport it was laid upon the table and three hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Alfred ordered that the petition of Henry Upton and the accompanying papers be taken from the files of the Legislature and referred to the

Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Rice of Hampden. Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the sixth section of the sixth chapter of the Revised Statutes that the polls of seamen may be exempted from taxation. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting for distribution one hundred and fifty one copies of the forty first annual report of the Directors of the American Asylum for the education and instruction of the deaf and dumb.

Mr. Pike from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on an order relative to amending the pauper law so as to require a term of three years instead of five to fix a pauper settlement. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. A. Davis and 61 others citizens of Lubec against the petition of David Godfrey and O. M. Gaptail for a right to extend their weirs into tide waters of Lubec. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions of John N. Perry and others of Brunswick to be incorporated under the name of the Brunswick Savings Bank.

Petition of Edmund Smith and others for extension of time in which to put into operation the Lowell Bank at Lewiston. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of N. W. Miservoy and 22 others in favor of East Maine Conference. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Badger and 168 others legal voters of the village district in Brunswick in aid of the petition of the town of Brunswick. Referred to the Committee on the Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 relating to marriage and its solemnization. This being the day assigned for the consideration of this bill, it was on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland taken up. Mr. Deane of Portland moved to amend the bill as per sheet A. Mr. Woodman of Bucksport moved to recommit the bill with instructions to strike out all but the fourth section. On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco the bill was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Prentiss from the Judiciary Committee, on order relative to giving operators a lien for their wages on articles they have manufactured, reported legislation inexpedient

Also same report on order relative to obliging towns to make suitable provision for the mental and physical necessities of all vagrant children. Reports accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Isaac Bennet and 14 others against the petition of Lezeckiel Prescott and 17 others to have the doings of districts No. 1 and 7 in Liberty and No. 10 in Montville made valid. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending the Constitution so that the Legislature shall meet once in two years instead of annually as now provided. And that all State Officers be chosen for that term and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Boyd and 369 others of Brook-  
bay, praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law

Petition of Daniel Cameron and 249 others of Southport for same. Referred to the Committee having the subject of a liquor law under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk



Wednesday February 3 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moore of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Patten for bounty paid on wild animals.

Claim of the County Commissioners of Proboscet County for reimbursement of expenses incurred on account of J. C. Stedman a prisoner who died in jail.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Austin Morse and 60 others for alteration of law in relation to mill dams.

Petition of Thomas Lounsbury and 33 others for same.

Petition of Nathl. Bryant and 119 others for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Morse jr and others of Eastport for an insolvent law.

Petition of S. L. Pike and others of Calais for same.

Petition of Joshua Frye and 37 others for same.

<sup>st</sup> These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law, and they were severally referred in concurrence.

Petition of Romeo Michaud for reimbursement of money paid for land and for a deed of six lots more. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. Lehenery and 31 others for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Stephen Whitehouse jr. and three others to have a part of their farms set off from Jefferson and annexed to Newcastle. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Referred in concurrence.

Order directing Committee on Reform School to enquire into the propriety of Cities, towns and plantations to pay a portion of the expense of the inmates. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. On motion of Mr. French of Danverscott the order was laid on the table.

Order requesting Committee on the liquor law to report at an early day. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the order was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Education, on Bill an act to incorporate the West Hampden High School. reporting the bill and that it ought to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to repeal section 22 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes relating to paupers. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting legislation inexpedient on order directing enquiry into the expediency of amending Sec. 18 of Chap. 66 of the Revised Statutes relating to claims not presented against insolvent estates. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the report was recommitted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolution of Citizens Temperance Association of Augusta, against the enactment of a law which shall sanction the establishment of distilleries. Referred to the Committee on the liquor law. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Prentiss of Bangor. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire whether sections 5 and 6 of Chapter

30 of the Revised Statutes give any bounty on bears and wolves killed in any unincorporated place and to report such amendments as they think necessary. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to fees of witnesses. This bill being under consideration on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath. the bill was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over and near the forks of Mattawamkeag river. This resolve having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading. was passed to be engrossed Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Seboomaw Bay and others against petition of New Hamilton and others for a bridge company.

Petition of New Hamilton and others for incorporation by the name of the Proprietors of Middle Landing Bridge. were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of L. Gott and others to be set off from the town of Orland and annexed to the town of Ellsworth.

Petitions of Percy Haynes and Bridghams Haynes to be set off from the town of Deakam and annexed to Ellsworth. Referred to the



Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

An act to enable the town of Mirthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing and publishing the history of said town.

An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Alford to reassess certain taxes.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Relium of the treasurer of the town of Kingfield, for bounty paid on bears. Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Flye from the Committee on Accounts, on account of Hazen, Masters and Smith, made a report asking to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommending its referral to the Committee on Claims. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on order in relation to exempting members of the Legislature from the Trustee process, reported a Bill an act additional to chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes relating to trustee process, report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow signed.

for its third reading.

Petition of John Planted and 111 other citizens of Gardiner, praying that a railroad connection may be enforced at Kendalls Mills. Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Maps and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Graham, ordered that the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to report a resolution providing for the payment of McKenzies of the Board of Agriculture at their late session. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Waggatt & Co for change of name was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Petition of Directors of Kennebec Log Driving Company for a charter for a boom at Somers Island in Kennebec river. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of W. McClure and others for bounty on the manufacture of Iron, Slate, Sugar, Molasses &c made in this State. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. Schadborn and 13 others for aid to build a railroad from Milford to the valley of the Groosbeek.

Petition of Patrick Turner and 65 others for same,

Petition of T. S. Berry and 20 others for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of B. F. Asgrod and 18 others against the incorporation of township No. 7 Range 3.

Request of James Cooper and 144 others to have their names taken from the petition for the incorporation of No 7 Range 3. The above remonstrance and request were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry Wilson for pension on account of services rendered the State.

Petition of Selectmen and 102 citizens of the town of Washington that the pension of Spencer F. Bond may be increased. The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Pejepscot Bank asking for a reduction of their capital stock.

Petition of the President and Directors of the Unity Bank at Biddeford for increase of capital stock.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Merrill and others in aid of the Maine Medical School. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. French from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to amending Section 10 Chap. 122 of Revised Statutes reported a Bill entitled an act to amend Section 10 Chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization. was taken up and considered and on motion of Mr. Buxton of Warren was laid upon the table.

Petition of David C. Elliott for divorce. presented by Mr. Pierbank of Lewiston. referred to a joint select Committee and sent up for concurrence. Messrs Pierbank of Lewiston Packard of Farmington, Buxton of Warren, Picknell of Augusta, Swift of Limington Stanley of Dixfield and Sargent of Brooklyn were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior Affairs on petition of John Brown and others. reported an order of notice by publication in the Machias Republican. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the



Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Banks Commissioners of the State of Maine for the year 1857. The report was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence,

Petition of Cornelius Turner and 38 others of Wiscasset in aid of the East Maine Conference Seminary. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence,

Adjourned.

Attest George M. Wilcox Clerk

Thursday February 4<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Young of Hallowell.

Petition of E. F. Beale and 27 other citizens of Norway in aid of the petition of Henry Upton for pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abbie C. Smith for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Name.

Petition of Ardas Chapin and 42 other citizens of Monson praying for the Charter of an Agricultural and Horticultural Society to be called the West Piscataquis Agricultural Society. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Addison Martin and 157 others praying for an alteration of the Constitution so that the Legislature shall meet biennially instead of Annually. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Attiaw and others for support of Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Penobscot Indians.

Petition of John Attiaw and others for schools for the Penobscot Indians.

Remonstrance of John Attiaw and others against a change in the treaty with the Penobscot Indians.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Charleston for bounty paid on wild Animals. Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to preserve the harbor at Portland. Laid on the table by Mr. Bowen of Portland.

Petition of Sally Mayberry for change of Probate law respecting wife's dower.

The aforesaid Bill and petition were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. D. Sprague and 7 others for an act to prevent the destruction of Pickens in Meadow ponds in the town of Selesboro. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry Williams agent of Augusta Water power Company. for a law authorizing said Company to collect tolls on logs floated through the locks of said Company. Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph W. Dyer and five others to be incorporated under the name of the Portland and New York Steam Ship Company

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the West Hampden High School. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes relating to offences against public justice. This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Credentials of Peol Sockis as representation of the Pinobset Indians. Laid on the table by Mr. Buck of Attleboro. Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Top from the Committee on Divisions of Towns on petition of Puley Haynes and Brigham Haynes to be set off from Dedham and annexed to Attleboro. reported an order of notice by service of copies, upon the Clerks of the towns of Dedham and Attleboro.

Mr. Hobbs from the same Committee reported an order of notice on petition of Caleb Edwards and others by service of copy on clerks of the towns of Poland & Attleboro.



Mr. Parker from the same Committee reported an order of notice on petition of D. Tott and others by series of copies on the desks of the towns of Orland and Ellsworth.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of David Talbot reported an order of notice by series of copy upon the clerk of the Town of Camden and to be posted in two or more conspicuous places in the village of Rockport in said town of Camden. The above reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to the Revised Statutes relating to the Trustee process. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. Pike of Topshfield moved that when the question is taken it be taken by Yeas and Nays and the House so ordered, and upon being taken the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by Yeas 54. Nays 63 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Andrews, Badley, Badch, Buck, Burbank, H. M. Chadbourn, Cunningham, Comstock, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, Ely, French, Fuller, Goddard, J. Hallfr, Hersey, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Jenkins, E. A. Kimball, L. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, C. E. Libby, Loring, Maney, McLaughlin, Munithus Miller, Parker, Patten, F. A. Pike, Plummer, Prentiss, Quitt, Rackliff, Rice, Ridout, Rock, Sargent, A. Shaw, Sporn, Stanley

Stickland. M. E. Swift. Walsh. Wapow  
Woodbury. Woodman. York

Those who voted in the negative were.  
Wheeler. Arnold. Babler. Banks. Bicknell  
Blairdell. Boddy. Brown. Brackett. Brown.  
Buxton. Carr. S. J. Chubbuck. A. H. Clark  
Cowell. Clement. Coffin. Conant. J. Davis  
Dean. Dunn. Field. Fox. Gilbur. Gilling  
Hagar. J. E. Hall. Hansen. Hale. Keene  
C. A. Kimball. S. Kingsbury. T. R. Kingsbury  
Knapp. Lane. J. Libby. Maddox. Mayo  
Milliken. Mitchell. Oliver. J. Palmer. B. F.  
Parks. Percy. Perkins. A. Pike. J. B. Pike. S. R.  
Porter. Pratt. Regus. Rowell. Sally. Sanborn.  
A. B. Shaw. Shearman. Skillin. Skinner. B.  
Smith. Stickbridge. Tibbitts. Tibson. Trussell  
Wadlin. Wing.

Mr. Bicknell from the Committee on Rail-  
roads Ways and Bridges reported an order  
of notice on petition of Daniel Winslow and  
others by a publication in the State of Maine  
and by service of copy upon the city clerk  
of Portland. Report accepted. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Mr. Pike of Calais presented the credentials of  
Levy Besset as a representative of the  
Papamaquoddy Indians. Referred to the  
Committee on Indian Affairs. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Haskin and 22 others  
of Portland for a law to tax Church edi-  
fices and the salaries of clergymen the same

as other incomes and salaries.

Petition of E. G. Flanders and 10 others for same,

Petition of L. R. Black and 28 others for same,

Petition of Paul Hussey and 86 others for same,

Petition of R. T. Merrill and 21 others for same,

Petition of Calvin Collins and 109 others for same,

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence,

Petition of Sumner Whitney and others of Piquette for an appropriation to change location of State Road in letter I. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of L. W. Burr and others of the town of Mercer for an act authorizing towns to pay for the ringing of Church bells. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Farley and 42 others of Portland for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act respecting school district number four in Winthrop. This Bill having had three several readings and hoped to be engrossed

and reported by the Committee as En-  
grosed Bills, as truly and strictly engrosed,  
was passed to be enacted, signed by the  
Speaker and sent to the Senate.

An motion of Mr. Prouty of Bangor ordered  
that the petition of J. L. Bouctin and others  
with the accompanying papers be taken  
from the files of the last legislation and  
referred to the Committee on Incorporation  
of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Brackett of Westbrook  
ordered that the Committee on Education  
be directed to enquire if any change of the  
law is necessary or expedient in relation  
to the location of school houses as especially  
to apply to cities and villages and report  
by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourns

Attest. George W. Milcox Clerk



Friday February 5<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Prince of Searsport.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Robert Thompson and 73 others of Gardiner for an insolvent law. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Joseph B. Hall: came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims. Referred in concurrence.

Order to Committee on State Lands and State Roads, relating to survey of line between Maine and New Hampshire. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Edmund Scribner and others ordering notice by service of copies on the clerks of the towns of Poland and Casco.

Also reporting an order of notice on petition of Stephen Whitcomb jr and others by service of copy upon the clerks of the towns of Jefferson and New Castle.

Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of J. H. Parsons and others. The above reports

were severally received from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary on an order directing inquiry into the expediency of exempting certain property of widows from taxation, reported a bill entitled an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation in certain cases. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

The same gentleman from the same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order in relation to taking depositions in criminal cases.

Mr. Brewster from the same Committee, reported legislation <sup>inexpedient</sup> on order relating to providing a salary for members of the legislature instead of a per diem. The above reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. French from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of Martha J. Bowker for divorce, reported asking to be discharged from its further consideration and recommending the reference of the petition to the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of David L. Elliott for divorce. On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, the report was recommitted with instructions to the Committee to report whether or

not in their opinion petitions for divorce are a proper subject of legislative action. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Change of Names on petition of sundry persons for change of name, reported a Bill entitled an act to change the names of certain persons: Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the State of Maine Company.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Sebecton.

These bills having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Tipton, ordered that the Senate concerning the hour of nine o'clock in the morning be fixed as the time of meeting of the Legislature on Saturdays until otherwise ordered. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to provide for a State Normal School. This Bill being under consideration and on its passage to a third reading, on motion of Mr. Birdy of Brunswick it

was laid upon the table and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

An motion of Mr. Poutip of Bangor. Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire whether section 15 Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, requires the State Treasurer to pay compound interest on money received from the public lots which the State is required to keep until the township is settled and organized, and to report such amendment as they may deem advisable. Sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Pratt of Clifford. Ordered that the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be requested to enquire into the expediency of establishing a Branch of Railroad Commissioners and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Top of Leeds. Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law that cities and towns shall in all cases pay interest on their State and County taxes when not paid within thirty days from the time specified in the officers warrant for collecting and paying the same and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt. This resolve was taken up on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais and passed



to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. French of Llanfairfefach, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law that the reports of judicial decisions, shall be prepared and published by the Supreme Judicial Court. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Portland, ordered that the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of providing that the proportion of money to be divided by towns among the several districts shall hereafter be apportioned and paid out, on the basis of attendance by pupils in such districts during the preceding year. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization. This bill was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Mayo of Ames and on his motion it was laid upon the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Tink from the Committee on the Judiciary on order to enquire into the expediency of passing an act relative to the Officers of Jackson and Unity plantations, reported a Bill entitled an act to authorize the Officers of Curtis and Jackson plantations to select with former Treasurers. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for

its third reading

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Orleans  
for bounty paid on Wild Animals.

Account of M. L. Appleton as Bank Commissioner &

Account of Joseph Linn Jr. as Bank Commissioner  
were severally referred to the Committee on  
Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. H. Winslow and sixty other citi-  
zens of Houlton praying for the survey and  
location of a railroad from Milford to the  
Arroostook

Petition of L. J. Fay and 31 others for same.

Petition of S. L. Ward and 88 others of same for same

Petition of Geo. W. Smith in relation to lands  
and mills on the St. John river.

Petition of Asa Smith and 17 others for aid  
to rebuild the sunken bridge on the Military  
road in Indian township number one.

These petitions were severally referred to the  
Committee on State Lands & State Roads.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. Brookins for divorce. referred to  
the Committee to which was referred the peti-  
tion of David C. Elliott. Sent up for con-  
currence.

Petition of the Trustees of the Methodist Society in Portland, for change of name and asking liberty to hold real estate to the value of fifty thousand dollars.

Petition of Alfred McGowan and 23 others for an alteration in the Constitution.

Petition of William White and 118 others praying for an alteration in the Constitution.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Page and others of Charleston for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Maria C. Plummer and 32 others praying for the passage of a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Petition of Sarah M. Leach and 29 others for same. These petitions were referred to the Committee having the subject of a liquor law under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abijah Lerisy and others for a fishway through the Kennebec Dam at Augusta. Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Joel Beaul for remuneration for help of an ox while building State road. Referred

to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Order requesting Governor and Council to furnish documents to Committee on Indian Affairs. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties ordering notice on petitions of John Bird and others, by publication in the Rockland Gazette, United States Democrat and also in the Thomaston Journal and Lincoln Democrat.

Report of the same Committee on petition of Isaac Reed and others, ordering notice by publication in the Rockland Gazette and United States Democrat and also in the Thomaston Journal and Lincoln Democrat. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation in certain cases. This bill was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the vote whereby the House assigned tomorrow for the third reading of the bill was reconsidered and the bill read the third time. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was amended as per sheet "A" and as amended the bill was passed by yeas and nays. Sent up for concurrence.



Report of the Committee on Interior Affairs on petition of John Corvill. and others, ordering notice by a publication in the Northern Home Journal. Also reporting order of notice on petition of the Kennebec Log Driving Company by a publication in the Storrhead Clarion, in the Kennebec Journal and in the Northern Home Journal. These reports came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence,

Bill an act additional to chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes relating to trustee process. This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, annexed and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House refused to concur with the Senate in amendment "A" and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gilbert moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House nonconcurred with the Senate in amendment "A" and to lay said motion on the table and assign Tuesday next for its consideration. adopted

Bill an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation. On motion of Mr. Schudson of Augusta the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed this bill to be engrossed. amended the bill as per sheet B, annexed and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence,

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Incor-

petition of Towns reported an order of  
notice in the petition of Daniel Neal and  
others by a publication in the Calais  
Advertiser. Report accepted. Sent up for  
concurrence

Resolved in favor of incorporated plantations,  
laid on the table by Mr. Dunn of Milton  
and under the rule lies over until  
tomorrow.

Adjourned.

Attest George W. Milcox Clerk

Saturday February 6, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hanson of Gardiner  
Papine from the Senate.

Petition of A. Waugh and 235 others for the  
incorporation of a new town, came from  
the Senate, referred to the Committee on  
Incorporation of Towns. Referred in con-  
currence.

Remonstrance of Greulof King and 211  
others against the petition of Thomas J.  
Haines to be set off from the town of  
Levant. This remonstrance came from the  
Senate referred to the Committee on Incor-  
poration of Towns. The House noncon-  
curred in referring the remonstrance to the Com-  
mittee on Incorporation of Towns, and re-  
ferred it to the Committee on Division of  
Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Bryant against  
the petition of John Kiddle and others, came  
from the Senate referred to the Committee  
on Interior Waters. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph B. Packard and 24 others  
of Blanchard and vicinity for an Agricul-  
tural Society to be called the West Piscata-  
quis Agricultural and Horticultural So-  
ciety, came from the Senate referred to  
the Committee on Agriculture. Referred  
in concurrence.

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Petition of N. L. O. Barrows and 87 others  
for a law to prevent the killing of moose  
and deer in this State. This petition came  
from the Senate referred to the Com-  
mittee on State Lands and State Roads.  
Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. A. M. Hopkins and 780  
other women praying for a prohibitory  
liquor law. came from the Senate re-  
ferred to the Committee on a liquor law.  
Referred in concurrence.

Claims of the treasurer of Alton for bounty  
paid on wild Animals, and claims of  
treasurer of town of Springfield for same  
were severally referred to the Committee  
on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of Sheriff of Washington County.  
Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent  
up for concurrence.

Petition of Stephen L. Fordale for payment  
of anearages due him for service as Sec-  
retary of the Board of Agriculture in 1856.  
This petition was referred to the Committee  
on Agriculture. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter one hundred  
and sixteen of the Revised Statutes. This  
bill came from the Senate referred to  
the Committee on the Judiciary. Re-  
ferred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary re-



porting leave to withdraw on petition of Amos Dox and others. Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Bradford Cummings and others. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Calvin Hamlin and thirty eight others for a law to prevent the destruction of pickerel in certain ponds. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of D. W. Pillsbury and 28 other citizens of Maine praying for an act to incorporate a company under the name of the State of Maine Improvement Company for the purpose of developing the resources of the State. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Amery Patten and 45 others for alterations of the Constitution so as to give women a right to vote. Presented by Mr. Coontis of Bangor. was received and read. Mr. Woodman of Bucksport moved the reference of the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary. This motion the Chair ruled to be out of order for that the Committee on the Judiciary have hitherto during this session considered petitions praying for the same object and reported to the petitioners leave to withdraw. which report was accepted by the Legislature. From the decision of the Chair Mr. Woodman of Bucksport took an appeal to the House, and on the question

shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the House. the House voted that it should so stand. On motion of Mr. Buck of Oldham the petition was laid upon the table.

Petition of John L. Turner to set apart certain public lots for sale and settlement.

Petition of S. Stevens and others for an appropriation to repair the bridge near the mouth of Fish River.

Petition of D. Page and others in favor of a railroad from Milford to some point in Armstrong County.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of Beef and pork.

Resoln authorizing the removal of a portion of the State Debt

The foregoing Bill having had three several readings and the Resoln having had two readings and having each been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the Bill was passed to be enacted and the Resoln was finally passed and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolved in favor of incorporated plantations.  
This resolve was read once and Monday  
next assigned for its second reading.

Resolved to prevent unnecessary legislation  
Laid on the table by Mr. Buck and under  
the rule lies over until Monday.

An motion of Mr. French of Lamar's called  
Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary  
be directed to enquire into the expediency of  
changing provisions of Section 17 of Chapter  
80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to execu-  
tions against sheriffs. Sent up for concurrence.

Account of A. D. White sheriff of Crawford  
County for distributing tax warrants, came  
from the Senate referred to the Committee  
on Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Bill to amend Chapter 609 of private and  
special laws of 1856 relating to the Beaufort  
Fire Insurance Company. Laid on the  
table by Mr. Tapley of Saco. Referred to  
the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and  
Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John McCuskey, relative to  
conveyance of land. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on State Lands and State Roads.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. L. Hodgdon and others of Le-  
vant for an insolvent law. Referred to  
the Committee on an Insolvent Law.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to authorize the assessors of  
Eustis and Jackson plantations to settle with  
former treasurer.

Bill an act to change the names of certain justices.

The above Bills having had three several read-  
ings, were severally passed to be engrossed,  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Education, on  
petition of Jeremiah Hackw and twenty two  
others and on petitions numbered 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6,  
accompanying the report, reported leave to  
withdraw.

Mr. Morrison from the Committee on State  
Printing, reported legislation inexpedient on  
order relating to Heads of departments con-  
tracting for their printing.

The above reports, were severally read and  
accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Morrison from the Committee on Education  
on Bill entitled an act to amend an act  
entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees  
of the Maine State Seminary approved  
March 16, 1855, reported. The Bill and  
that it ought to pass. Report accepted,  
Bill read twice and Monday next  
assigned for its third Reading.

Petition of Annie Mitchell for change of name. Re-  
ferred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Adjourned.

Attest Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk



Monday February 8. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Webb of Augusta—

Papers from the Senate.

Order refining the message of the Governor relating to the law concerning capital punishment to the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the Senate having been read and reported. Read and reported in concurrence.

Petition of William Dickey and 533 others for a new County called Madawaska to be taken from Arrostok County. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Edwin Fernald and others proprietors of Maine Wharf Portland for an act of incorporation. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Amasa Foding and others for a railroad from Milford to Arrostok. This petition came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Nicholas Reynolds and others for an act of incorporation, with Bill accompanying came from the Senate, referred to the

Committee on Manufactures. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act in relation to conveyances of real estate. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education. reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of the Trustees of Lebanon Academy for aid. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries. on petition of William Fisher and others, reporting a Bill entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Sewall pond or its outlets. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheet "A" annexed and as amended passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow signed for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Matthew J. Bowker for divorce, reporting reference of said petition to the joint select Committee having under consideration the petition of David C. Elliott for divorce. This report came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur with the House in recommending the report with instructions as per sheet A. and accepting

the report. On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, the report was laid upon the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to defining the Northern Cross-tack Registry district, reporting a Bill and act to define intelligibly the Northern Registry District, of Arrowsick County. This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the Bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Woodbury of Houlton it was laid upon the table.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary. approved March 16. 1855. This Bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Resoln in favor of incorporated plantations. This resoln was read twice. Mr. Parsons of East's plantations moved to amend as per sheet "A" annexed. the amendment was rejected. and on motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell the resoln was laid upon the table.

The order introduced by Mr. Harrison of Fardine on January 9<sup>th</sup> in relation to instructing the Committee on printing was taken from the table and considered. On motion of

Mr. Mulliken of Stamford, the order was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter fifty of the public laws of ~~eighteen~~ hundred and fifty seven, relating to the salaries of Judges of Municipal and Police Courts.

Bill an act to incorporate the West Hampden High School.

Resolves for the repair of the bridge over and near the forks of Muttawamking river.

The foregoing Bills having each had three several readings and the Resolves having had two readings, and each having been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the Bills were passed to be enacted, and the Resolves was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Public Printing, reporting a contract with Stevens & Sayward, came from the Senate, having been read and accepted and the contract approved. The Report was accepted and the contract approved in concurrence.

Mr. Topley from the Committee on Elections in remonstrance of Stephen S. Genitt against the right of Almy B. Shaw to a seat in this House, reported that said Almy B. Shaw



is entitled to his seat. Report accepted.

Mr. Hanson of Gardiner introduced the following order, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on the Pay roll; Ordered that each member of the Legislature shall render to the Committee on Pay roll, the exact number of days he has been in attendance here, and that no members names shall be entered on the pay roll until his account shall be given.

Resolved to prevent unnecessary legislation this resolve was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Wilson and 40 others of the town of Orms, against the petition of Abraham Watkinson to be set off from Orms and annexed to Oldtown. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Thomas and Sarah A. Thomas for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Asa Smith and others for the repair of the Mattawamkeag bridge. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Lehas and 53 others of Orms for a law to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors. Referred to the Committee on the

Liquor law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George Tipton and 60 other citizens of Gouldsborough for a law to prevent the destruction of menhaden in the rivers and harbors of this State. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of L. H. Spinnay and 80 other citizens of Georgetown praying for abatement in town valuation in the assessment of State taxes. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of Lemoy Bewick for a school house to be built at Pleasant point and one at Lemoy's Island. Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. W. North and other commissioners of the sinking fund under chapter 379 of the special laws of 1852, asking for further powers. Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Tapley of Saco introduced the following order, which Mr. Comstock of Lew-  
 is moved to lie on the table. —

Ordered that the Committee on the Pay roll be instructed to make up the pay of S. S. Genish the contestant from the district comprised of the towns of Frye Unity and Burnham to and including February nine, 1858. The question

238 pending where the House adjourned was  
on Mr. Comstock's motion.

Adjourned

Attest George M. Wilcox Clerk

Tuesday February 9 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Colby of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. T. Munroe and 27 other citizens of Concord, Solon, Bingham and Moscow praying for a law to protect pickens in the Jackson pond so called in the town of Concord, in the County of Somerset. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of John W. Shattuck and others for a railroad from Milford to Acworth County. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition of Sanford Noble and others asking to be discharged from its further consideration and recommending its reference to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. This Report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and it was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of E. Fox and others for increase of salary of Recorder of Municipal Court of Portland. reporting a bill entitled an act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland. This report came from the Senate having



been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition of Daniel Winslow, reporting a resolve in favor of Daniel Winslow. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and Wednesday Feb. 17, assigned for its second reading.

The order introduced yesterday by Mr. Tapley of Saco in relation to paying S. S. Genish was taken up and the House refused to lay the order on the table. On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Augusta the House indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the order.

Remonstrance of C. S. Pennell and 297 other citizens of Brunswick against the incorporation of the village district of said town as a city. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry A. Small and 50 other citizens of the town of Stoneham for division of the town of Stoneham. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions of Citizens Temperance Association of Orland. Referred to the Committee on Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Willard P. White and other citizens of Orleans asking for an act to enable the town to pay further compensation to said White for building bridges. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr Johnson of Augusta introduced the following order: Ordered, that the Committee on the Pay roll ascertain the number of days S. B. Barnis was necessarily present contesting the right of the member from Troy to a seat in the House and that they make up his travel and pay accordingly. This order being on its passage on motion of Mr. Burton of Warren the House ordered that the yeas and nays be taken on its passage, and being so taken the order was refused a passage by a vote of Yeas 36. Nays 72. as follows;

Those who voted in the Affirmative were.  
 Mepio Arnold. Banks. Bondy. A. H. Clauk  
 Corvill. Coffin. J. Davis. Deans. J. W. Drummmond  
 R. R. Drummond. Estes Field. Hypp. Top  
 Gibbut. J. Hall jr. Ailo. Hobbs. Johnson.  
 Jones. Longfellow. Milliken. Muttony. W. A.  
 Palmer. Parker. R. F. Parker. Patten. Plummer.  
 J. Porter. S. R. Porter. Ricd. Rowell. Skinner.  
 B. Smith. Tapley. Weeks.

Those who voted in the Negative were.  
 Mepus. Babbidge. Bailey. Balch. Batchelder. Beane.  
 Becknell. Bowen. Brackett. Buck. Buchanan. Burr  
 Kn. Burbank. Burton. Carr. Chick. Clement  
 Comstock. E. Davis. Dunn. Fuller. J. H. Hall. Hale  
 Hersey. Ingalls. Keen. E. A. Kimball. H. Kimball.  
 A. Kingsbury. S. Kingsbury. T. R. Kingsbury. Knapp  
 Lane. C. E. Libbey. Loring. Madsen. Manoyes. Mayo

242. Mc Hauglin. Merithew. Melcher. Morrison  
Oliver. Parsons. Percy. Perkins. A. Pick. Pratt  
Prentiss. Quint. Rannay. Ridout. Rock. Sally  
Sanborn. Sawyer. A. B. Shaw. Shearman.  
Skillin. Stanley. Stockbridge. Strickland. M. E.  
Swift. Tibbels. Tilton. Truesell. Wadwin. Walsh  
Waterhouse. Whitney. Wing. Woodbury. Wood-  
man.

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Univer-  
salist Missions Society. Laid on the table  
by Mr. Haines of Gardiner. Referred to the  
Committee on Education, Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Mount Hope Com-  
munity Corporation. Laid on the table by Mr.  
Prentiss of Bangor. Referred to the Committee on  
the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. M. L. Norwood and other citizens of  
Lewiston asking that the Selection of said  
town be authorized when so directed by a vote  
of the town to sell certain lands given to  
said town of Lewiston for the benefit of its  
public schools. Referred to the Committee on  
Education. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, ordered  
that a message be sent to the Governor re-  
questing him to return to this House, if not  
signed by him the engrossed Bill entitled  
an act to amend Chapter 38. of the Revised  
Statutes, relating to the inspection of Beef and  
Pork. Read and passed and the Clerk was  
charged with and conveyed the message.

On motion of Mr. Soring of Guilford,  
Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be in-  
structed to enquire into the expediency of  
amending the Constitution of this State so  
that the Governor and Senators shall be  
elected by a plurality vote, and in cases  
of vacancies occurring in the Senate by  
death or otherwise, they shall be filled by  
the people in the same manner that  
members of the House of Representatives are.  
Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor  
through the Secretary of State, returning  
to the House, Engrossed Bill an act to  
amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised  
Statutes relating to the inspection of Beef & Pork

Petition of James S. Rowe and 61 other mem-  
bers of the Penobscot Bar in aid of the  
petition of the Cumberland Bar for a  
repeal or essential modification of the  
Statutes requiring Specifications of defense.

Bill an act to amend Section 11 of Chap-  
ter 77 of the Revised Statutes relating to  
the return of writs and process issued  
from the Supreme Judicial Court. Laid  
on the table by Mr. Drane of Portland.

The above petition and Bill were referred to  
the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Gilsum  
for bounty. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.



Sent up for concurrence,

Petition of R. L. Robinson that provision for the sale of malt liquors shall be made in the liquor law. Referred to the committee on the liquor law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David R. Stockwell to be indemnified for the nonconveyance by the Land Agent of certain lands. Referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. P. Lancaster and 59 other citizens of Topsham asking for bounty for the destruction of hares. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the legal voters of South Thomastown against the petition of J. L. Copeland and others to be set off from South Thomastown and annexed to Thomastown.

Petition of Inhabitants of Kenburn to be set off from said town and annexed to Levant.

Petition of Inhabitants of Levant to be set off from said town and annexed to Ken-duskeag.

The above remonstrances and petitions were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jason Davis and others of Union

that Waldoborough may be made the third town of Lincoln County and remonstrating against making Rockland a half third town for said County

Petition of Cyrus Robbins Jr and others of Union for same

Petition of Christian Bornheimus and others for same

Petition of Alexander Bond and 64 others for same

Petition of Lehaeus Gilpatrick and others for same

Petition of Enos Macdow and others for same

Petition of Joseph Irish and others for same

Petition of W. D. Payson and others for same

Petition of John R. Studley and others for same

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Noah Woods and 226 other legal voters of the City of Gardiner and 1741 Ladies inhabitants of said City for a prohibitory Liquor law and against the establishing of distilleries. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act in addition to chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the sale of land warrants by executors or administrators. This

bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Mr. Boddy from the Committee on Education on resolve to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox, reported the resolve and that it ought to pass. Report accepted, Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization. This bill having come up for consideration by assignment. Mr. Deane of Portland withdrew all the amendments offered by him excepting to strike out section six and insert therein instead "Section seven". The question being on a motion to recommend the bill with instructions. Mr. Buck of Oldtown moved the previous question and the House refused to second the motion, and on motion of Mr. Gibbet of Bath the bill was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta. The House took up the message of the Governor returning bill an act to amend chap. 38 of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of Beef and Pork. Mr. Johnson moved to suspend the rules, so as to allow a motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted and pending the question, the House adjourned.

Adjourned  
Attest Geo. M. Wilson Clerk

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Wednesday February 10<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dexter of Augusta.

Bill an act to amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of beef and pork. The house resumed the consideration of this bill and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, the motion made by him yesterday was laid upon the table.

Remonstrance of J. J. Piper and 45 others against the petition of David Tallot of Rockport to extend his bridge into tide waters. This remonstrance came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Affairs and Insurance. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of James Webster in aid of the petition of Isaac M. Pragg to build a dam across the East Branch of Mattawamkeag River. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of G. L. Bryanton and others asking for an amendment of the City Charter of Bangor. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Weyman and others for an appropriation to build a road from Kingezy to Shirley Corners. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands.



and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Otis W. Meaus and 25 others of Machiasport for an insolvent law came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Claim of Robert Martin, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Lussan Hospital, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Hancock.

Report of the Committee on Claims on claim of the Sheriff of the County of Washington asking leave to be discharged from its further consideration and recommending its reference to the Committee on Accounts.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Pensions on petition of Henry Upton and others, reporting a resolve in favor of Henry Upton. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and

the resolver passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolver read once and Wednesday July, 17<sup>th</sup> assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to amend section ten of Chapter one hundred and twenty two of the Revised Statutes relating to offences against public justice. This bill being on its passage to be enacted, on motion of Mr. Buck of Alderboro it was laid on the table.

Bill an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads. Laid on the table by Mr. Johnson of Augusta. Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of Beef and Pork. This bill was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted, and also reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and re-committed the bill to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Morrison of Farmington introduced the following order which on his motion was laid on the table. Ordered, that the Senate concerning, that Wednesday the tenth day of March be assigned for the final adjournment.

of this Legislation.

An motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell, ordered the Senate concerning, that there be delivered to the Trustees of the Mass. State Agricultural Society five hundred copies of their memorial for the adoption of measures to promote the sale and settlement of the public lands of the State printed for the use of the Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Deane from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Ezekiel Prescott and others.

The same gentleman from the same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to school houses.

Mr. Buxton from the Judiciary Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of L. W. Burr and others.

Mr. Tyler from the Committee on Accounts, reported on the accounts of Joseph Deane Jr. and M. d. Appleton, asking to be discharged from the consideration thereof and recommending their references to the Committee on Claims.

The above reports were generally read and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bills an act to authorize the appraisers of  
Custer and Jackson plantations, to select  
with former treasure.

The above bills having each had three sev-  
eral readings, and passed to be engrossed  
and reported by the Committee on Engrossed  
Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were  
passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker  
and sent to the Senate,

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee  
on Bill an act additional to Chapter twelve  
of the Revised Statutes, relating to parishes  
and religious societies, reported the bill  
amended as per sheet A, and as amend-  
ed, that the bill ought to pass. Report  
accepted Bill read twice and on mo-  
tion of Mr. Pratt of Bangor the Bill was  
laid upon the table and three hundred and  
fifty copies of the bill and amendment  
were ordered to be printed for the use of  
the Legislature.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior  
Affairs on petition of Henry Williams report-  
ed an order of notice, by a publication in  
the Kennebec Journal. Report accepted  
Sent up for concurrence

Mr. Deane from the Committee on Education  
on order relating to a distribution of the  
public lands of the United States, reported  
a resolve in relation to the distribution of a  
portion of the United States public lands.  
Report accepted. Resolve read once and tomorrow



now assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Morrison from the same Committee on Bill an act to incorporate the Marine Universalist Missionary Society, reported the Bill and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Fisher from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of J. T. Merrill and others reported a bill an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson Pond so called in the town of Concord.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to inserting the words "on Christmas day" in Sect. 22 Chap 77 of R. S. reported a bill an act additional to Chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Courts.

Mr. Tapley from the same Committee, on Bill an act additional to preserve the harbour of Portland.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on Bill an act to amend section 18 of Chap 66 of Revised Statutes of 1857, relating to insolvent estates.

Mr. Woodman from the same Committee on Bill an act concerning the commencement of suits against certain officers.

The foregoing bills came from the Committee with the report of "ought to pass." The reports were generally accepted. Bills read twice and tomorrow be

assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Agriculture on order relating to the payment of Enock Hoyt as a member of the Board of Agriculture, asking that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation in certain cases. This bill came from the Senate, that branch nonconcurring with the House in adopting amendment B. and then refused a passage to the bill. The House voted on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport to insist on the vote passing the bill to be engrossed and proposed a conference with the Senate and appointed Messrs. Woodman of Bucksport, Boddy of Brunswick and Russell of Hallowell as conferees on the part of the House. The Bill was returned to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of William Weston of Aramo to be annexed to Bangor, came from the Senate recommended to the Committee on Division of Towns. Recommended in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of incorporated plantations. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of Lemuel T. Parker and 58 others  
ladies of Mariaville for a liquor law.  
Referred to the Committee on the Liquor  
Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the  
Revised Statutes relating to marriage and  
its solemnization. This Bill being under  
consideration, and the pending question  
being to recommit with instructions to strike  
out all but the fourth section of the Bill.  
The House refused to recommit and on  
motion of Mr. Brady of Brunswick the  
bill was laid on the table.

Petition of the President and Directors of the  
Gardiner Bank for leave to reduce its capital  
stock. Referred to the Committee on Banks  
and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Musson and others for an  
act to incorporate Pine Hill cemetery in  
Bethel. Referred to the Committee on Muncipi-  
tate Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of George W. Spratt and others for  
change of law relative to apportionments of taxes  
on unincorporated townships for roads.

Petition of John Gardiner and others for in-  
corporation of the Maine Granite Company

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of  
Salmonville praying that any person so-  
journ in any town in this State one

year, shall gain a settlement in said town.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George R. Davis and others of Portland for an insolvent Law.

Petition of Mark H. Dunne and others for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Wingate Bradbury praying for abatement on a note given for stampage on public lands.

Petition of H. Lechadbourne and 20 other citizens of Molunkus for an appropriation to rebuild a bridge in the township of Molunkus. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox. This resolve being under consideration it was on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais amended as per sheet "A" and on motion of Mr. Brock of Oldtown it was laid on the table.

Mr. Bicknell of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote of the House yesterday



whereby it refused to pass an order allowing  
pay to S. S. Herrick as contestant of the  
seat of A. B. Shaw, and to his said  
motion on the table and again tomorrow  
for its consideration. and the House so  
voted.

Adjourned

Attest, George W. Milcox Clerk

Thursday February 11. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Amittage of Augusta.

Report from the Senate.

Petition of Henry T. Knowles and others for a railroad from Milford to Westbrook. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. D. Prescott and others praying to be incorporated into a company for the purpose of removing obstructions and running logs and lumber upon the head waters of the Sandy river. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Ephraim Abby D and others for an act to make valid the doings of school district Number 3 and 6 in Dresden. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of W. B. Weed and 196 others and C. E. Lane and 294 others, women of Deer Isle for a law more effectually to suppress the traffic in intoxicating liquors. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital on order relating to amending Sec. 13 of Chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes providing for the support of paupers, reporting "legislation inexpedient."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting leave to withdraw on the petition of Wm White and 118 others and Alfred McCorison and 14 others praying for an alteration in the Constitution.

Report of the Committee on Education reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the distribution of School money. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of alvians in Simall's pond or its outlets. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and amended in concurrence as per sheet "A" was as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Louis Cormier, Francis Thibideau and 62 others inhabitants of No. 18 Range 3 for legislation that will protect the interest of settlers in said township. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to suits against sheriffs and certain other officers.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine Universalist Missionary Society.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond so called, in the town of Concord.

Bill an additional act to purview the harbor of Portland.

The foregoing bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and each having had three several readings were passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to suits against sheriffs and certain other officers. On motion of Mr. Deane of Portland, the House recommended the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and laid it on the table.

Mr. Trp from the Committee on Division of Towns reported leave to withdraw on the petition of John L. Copeland and others. Report accepted and up for concurrence.

Resolves in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States public lands. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.



Bill an act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland. This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Parker from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported an order of notice on the petition of H. Waugh and others by service of copies on the clerks of the towns of Levant, Kenduskeag and Hentun. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns ordering notice upon the petition of the inhabitants of Hentun by service of copies upon the clerks of the towns of Hentun and Levant. This report came from the Senate read and accepted, Accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Nordinian from the Judiciary Committee made a special report on the petition of Seth Norcross, granting said petitioners leave to withdraw.

Mr. Mayo from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave withdrawn on the petition of William Lander and others.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Division of Towns reported an order of notice on petition of Henry A. Small and others by service of copy upon the Clerk of the Town of Stoneham.

Mr. Banks from the Committee on Manufactures

reported legislative inefficient on sundry petitions for a Standard Gas meter.

Mr. Tappan from the Committee on Divisions of Towns reported an order of notice on petition of the inhabitants of Levant by a series of copy upon the clerk of the towns of Levant and Kinderhook.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of Towns on petition of Edward Scribner. This report came from the Senate that branch having reconsidered the vote accepting the report and amending the same by striking out the word "ten" and inserting the word "eight," and by striking out "22<sup>d</sup>" and inserting "24<sup>th</sup>" and as amended accepting the report. The House reconsidered its vote accepting the report, amended and accepted it in concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State transmitting to the House, the information that on the tenth instant he had approved Bill, entitled an act to amend Chapter fifty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty seven relating to the salaries of Municipal and Police Judges, and the same was entered on the Journal of the House and information thereof transmitted to the Senate by message from the House through the Clerk.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. laid on the table by Mr. Pike of Calais. and lies over one day under the rules of the House.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Maps and Bridges on petition of James W. North and others ordering notice by a publication in the Kennebec Journal and the Age.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of the Selectmen and town Clerk of Brunswick ordering notice by a publication in the Brunswick Telegraph.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resoln in favor of Pol Sockis, and Lucy Burwit. laid on the table by Mr. Buck of Oldtown. Rules suspended. Resoln read once and tomorrow signed for its second reading.

Bill an act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 66 of the Revised Statute relating to insolvent estate. This Bill was read three times and on motion of Mr. Pickman of Augusta it was laid on the table.

Mr. Field from the Committee on Agriculture on order relating to the payment of Messengers of the Board of Agriculture at their late session, reported a resoln in favor of D. T. Brothly and Charles Turner. Report accepted.

resolved read over, and Wednesday Feb. 17 assigned for its second reading,

An motion of Mr. Tibbitts of Ruth. ordered that the joint Standing Committee on Fisheries be and hereby are instructed to enquire into the expediency of repealing the 47<sup>th</sup>, 48<sup>th</sup>, 49<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 57<sup>th</sup> sections of the particular Chapter of the Revised Statute and report by bill or otherwise. Read and passed. Sent up for concurrence,

An motion of Mr. Ramsey of Wilm ordered that the Lands Agent be required at his earliest convenience to report to this House the amount of timber and grass sold from lands appropriated by this State for the support of schools in the different townships in the County of Penobscot since the year 1840 together with the amount now standing to the credit of each township, together with the expense of settling off the same. Sent up for concurrence,

An motion of Mr. Tibbitts of Ruth. Ordered that the joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to enquire into the expediency of an alteration of the law relating to the rights of sureties of coroners and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence,

An motion of Mr. Ramsey of Wilm, ordered that the petition of Paul Peasey for additional compensation for building a bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in township No. 6. referred from the last Legislature be



taken from the files and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fye of New Castle, ordered that the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be directed to enquire if any further legislation relating to the Sagadahoc Ferry between Bath and Woonah is necessary to protect the lives and property of passengers and report by bill or otherwise.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Orrin Rubin for change of name.

Petition of George L. Howard that Anna Lill Macomber may be allowed to take the name of Anna Lill Howard. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Julia S. West and 207 others, women of Franklin and vicinity for a liquor law. Referred to the Committee on a liquor law. Sent up for concurrence.

Account of William Bennett for balance of salary as warden of Maine State Prison. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrances of Ruben McTadden and others against the petition of Abel Powers and others to be set off from Bowdoinham to Richmond. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Amos Wiswell and others to be incorporated as a gas company with a Bill accompanying.

Petition of Ephraim Washam and others for an Insurance company. These petitions were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Gibson and 14 others asking for the incorporation of the Masters, Wardens and members of Poppleborough Lodge

Petition of J. J. Perry and 25 others praying for additional laws in relation to the inspection of lime. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Taborcroft Academy for aid to said Institution.

Petition of Abraham Plummer and seven others asking for aid in behalf of East Maine Conference Seminary. These petitions were referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Seabury and others of Parkman for aid in construction of road from Greenville to Cheumecook Lake.

Petition of J. M. Stevens and others of Parkman for same.

Petition of A. W. Johnson of Belfast for an act to enable him to redeem from the State one un-

266 divided half of township M. 15. R. 9.

Petition of William M. Sweet and others for a railroad from Melford to the valley of the Amherst.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Mark Shepherd and others of Sudbury for an insolvent law.

Petition of John Mower and 269 others of Woburn and vicinity for same.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. Carpenter and 40 others of Worcester County for a division of said County.

Petition of G. B. Page and 138 others citizens of Stratton and vicinity for same.

Petition of David Sentner and others of Woburn, that Woburn may be made the shire town of Lincoln County, and remonstrating against making Rockland a half shire town for said county.

Petition of Alden Winchcomb and others of Friendship for same.

Petition of Lyman A. Winslow and others of Woburn for same.

These petitions were generally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Brought an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization. This bill being under consideration the amendments marked, B. to D & E were adopted and the question being on its passage to be engrossed Mr. Gilbert of Bath moved the indefinite postponement of the Bill, and the motion was lost. Mr. Stanslow of Gardiner moved the previous question, and the motion was seconded by the House, and the question pending when the House adjourned was, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Adjourned

Attest, Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk



Friday February 12<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dillingham of Augusta.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting for distribution an abstract of the semi-annual returns of the several Banks in this State, for January 1858.

Report of the Committee on Division of Terms on petition of Abraham Watahauri granting said petition leave to withdraw,

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on Bill an act to amend Chapter one hundred and sixteen of the Revised Statutes reporting the Bill and that it ought not to pass.

Report of same Committee reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Addison Manton and 157 others. The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of 94 citizens of Nobleborough for an insolvent Law.

Petition of David Silsby and others of Acrona for same.

Petition of A.P. Scammon and 30 others of Eastbrook for same.

Three petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas J. Jones and 161 others for a law in relation to mill dams. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Wm. R. Allen and 108 others for a railroad from Milford to Amherst river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditure of government. Read three times and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the Bill was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Education on petition of Moses Row and others reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Bill hoped to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. Boddy of Brunswick, it was referred to the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading with instructions to report the same in a new draft.

Resolves in favor of Peol Sockis and Mary Bennett. This resolve having had the sev-

eral readings was passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Brady from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Sanford Noble reported a resolve in favor of Sanford Noble. Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Banks from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of the President and Directors of the City Bank at Biddford reported a Bill an act to increase the Capital Stock of the City Bank at Biddford. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Merriam from the Committee on County Estimates, reported a resolve relating to County estimates. Report accepted. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Revision of Towns on petition of Hiram Norton and others requesting an order of notice by service of copy on the Clerks of the town of Ames and the City of Bangor.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of E. D. Prescott and others ordering notice by publication of copy of petition and order of notice in the Farmington Chronicle returnable to the present Legislature.

These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Loring from the Committee on Claims on petition of Columbus Crockett, reported a resolve in favor of Columbus Crockett. Report accepted. resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on Bill an act to amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of Beef and pork, reported the Bill in a new draft. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvent estates. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was hoped to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of Joseph H. Dyer and others reported an order of notice by publication in the State of Maine, *re: Joseph H. Dyer*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee reported an order of notice on



petition of Edwin Fernald, by a publication in the "State of Maine".

The same gentleman from the same Committee on order relating to the expediency of enacting a law for the preservation of government buoys and other aids to navigation in this State, reported legislation inexpedient.

The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to writs on trials of indictments, laid on the table by Mr. Porter of Lowell. Read once and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Tapley from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to amending the sixth section of the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Revised Statutes concerning the taxation of seamen, reported legislation inexpedient. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary, be directed to enquire what further legislation is necessary, if any, to secure the payment of fines and costs in criminal cases into the treasury of the State. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be and

herely are instructed to enquire into the expediency of an amendment of the seventy seventh Chapter of the Revised Statutes relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court sitting as a Court of Law and report by bill or otherwise. Also to enquire whether there is need of any alteration of the Law relating to the filing of offers of default in pending actions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Brown and others that Waldoborough may be made the Shire town of the County of Lincoln and remonstrating against making Rockland a half Shire of said County.

Petition of Ambrose Davis and others for same.

Petition of Samuel Stone and others for same.

Petitions of Amos M. Lusk and others for same.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Divisions of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Albert Jewett for change of name.

Petition of Ellen F. Brown for change of name.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of the County Commissioners of the

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County of Piscataquis for the use of the  
jail in Penobscot and Simons Counties  
for five years.

Petition of Charles H. Thompson and 31  
others for an alteration in the law in re-  
gard to the settlement of boundaries,

These petitions were referred to the Com-  
mittee on the Judiciary. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of Charles Pool of Bath for appoint-  
ment as agent of the State to increase the  
population and enhance the resources and  
encourage the settlement of the lands of  
the State.

Petition of B. W. Chandler and 15 others for  
an appropriation to repair road in town-  
ship B, R. 2, west from the East line of the  
State

These petitions were referred to the Committee  
on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up  
for concurrence.

Claims of the treasury of the town of Wal-  
tham for bounty paid on wild animals

Claims of the treasury of the town of Burling-  
ton for bounty paid on wild animals.

These claims were referred to the Committee  
on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Eastbrook to reduce their State tax.

Petition of the town of Scarborough praying for a reduction of their State valuation.

These petitions were referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasures Accounts, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor of Bath for an appropriation to grade and fence the enclosure of the King Monument with accompanying papers. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Arthur L. Grant for pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elkkanah Spear and others praying to be incorporated into a religious Society. Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Stephen Gould and others praying for additional laws in relation to the inspection of lime. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Walter Top and others of Leeds to be incorporated into a Steam mill and manufacturing company. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.



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Petition of Samuel B. Hunter and others for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Caroline Ricker and 125 other women for a liquor law. Referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George K. Jewett and others to be incorporated into a company by the name of the Amherst railroad company. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Referred in concurrence.

Mr. French from the Judiciary Committee on petition of John Ruggles and others reported a Bill entitled an act to change the term of holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln. Report accepted. Rules suspended. Bill read three times passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved to procure a Statue of Major General Henry Knox on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, the resolve was amended as per sheet marked B. the amendment proposed by the same gentleman as per sheet C. was rejected. The motion to

amend marked D, made by Mr. Brody of Brunswick was rejected. On motion of Mr. Buck of Oldtown the House indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the resolve. Mr. Deane of Portland moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the resolve and the motion was refused a yeas 10, nays 10. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to manumission and its solemnization. Mr. Rackliff of Wesley moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House adopted amendments marked B & D, which motion was rejected. and the bill as amended having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation. This bill came from the Senate that branch adhering to its vote refusing to pass the bill to be engrossed. The House adhered to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

Adjourned.

Attest, George W. Milcox Clerk

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Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bean of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John Altian and other members of the Penobscot Indians for a road and ferry.

Petition of the Selectmen of Lincoln in aid of the petition of John Altian and others. These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Dionne and others for aid to school in district No. 9 in Madawaska plantation came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Claims of the treasurer of the town of Eastbrook for bounty paid on Wild Animals, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William Dickey and others for a grant of land at Fort Kent for the erection of a church and parsonage, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Dionne and 537 others for the repeal of that part of the act incorporating Newcock plantation in the County of Arrowsick, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on

Incorporation of Towns. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act in addition to an act to establish the Cumberland and Alfred Canal Corporation. This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on public printing on order relation to the expediting of printing certain documents, journals &c.

Report of the Committee on Military Pensions granting leave to withdraw on petition of Benjamin Schadtrom and others

These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Nathaniel Reynolds and others reporting Bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice on Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Stickland from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported an order of notice on petition of George H. Jewett and others by a publication in the Daily Whig and Courier. Report accepted. Sent up for con-



concurred.

Mr. Morrison, from the Committee on State Printing, made a report that they had contracted with Hartford & Smith of Augusta to do the binding and stitching of the State for the present political year. Report accepted. Contract approved. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Cyrus Bryant reported leave to said petitioner to bring in a bill, intitled an act to set off Cyrus Bryant from Fairfield to Hornfield.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Education, on Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Maine Convention of Universalists, reported the bill and that it ought to pass. Reports accepted. Bills read twice and Monday next assigned for their third Reading.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of alumina in Small's pond or its outlets.

Bill an act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary. approved March 16. 1855.

Resolved in favor of Pol Socks and Levy Receipt.

Bill an act to amend Section ten of Chapter one hundred and twenty two of the Revised Statutes relating to offences against public justice

The above bills having each had three several readings and the resolve two readings, and having severally been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. The bills were passed to be enacted the resolve finally passed signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government, taken from the table on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, read the third time and passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States public lands. On motion of Mr. Deane of Portland the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed and it was laid upon the table.

Resolve relating to County Estimates, read twice and on motion of Mr. Miller of Portland it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of Beef and Pork

Bill an act to increase the Capital Stock

of the City Bank at Pittsford.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of Poughkeepsie Academy, amended as he shoud  
A. amended by substituting a new draft.

The above bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pickens from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges reported an order of notice on petition of John Dewitt and others by a publication in the Tri Weekly Tennessee Journal. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to define intelligibly the Northern Registry District of Armstrong County. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hagan of Richmond. Ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture be and herely are instructed to enquire into the expediency of repealing Sections 35, 36 & 37 of Chapter 38 of the Revised Statute Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman, Ordered that the Judiciary Committee examine and report the propriety and justice of altering sections 30 & Chapter 81 of the Revised Statute relating

to the time when a lien on real estate is created by attachment or mortgage, so that such attachment shall create a lien only from the time when the attested copy of attachment is received and filed in the office of Register of Deeds. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Strickland from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of John Gaudin and others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a Resoln in favor of Samuel Belack. Report accepted. Resoln read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Kingsland from the Committee on Military Pensions reported leave to withdraw on petition of Peter S. Tolson.

Mr. Spooner from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw on the petition of Elbridge Knight. The above reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Long Rock Bank of Rock for extension of payment of last half of stock and for reduction of stock. Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the treasurers of the towns of Wadsworth and Greenfield, and claims of the City of Calais for bounty paid on Wild Animals and accounts of the City of Bangor were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.



Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions of the inhabitants of Calais  
relative to a Liquor Law.

Petition of Mrs. R. H. Atwell and 190 others of  
the town of Arona for a law to prevent the  
sale of intoxicating liquors. These petitions  
were referred to the Committee on a Liquor  
Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Richard Libbey and John Lane  
on account of Land Agents deed for land  
in 1856.

Petition of D. F. Adams for survey of road  
from Letter H. west to the Fish River Road.

Petition of Joel Knights in reference to congre-  
gation of lands.

Petition of John Parent and others for a  
grant of land to aid in the erection of  
Mill on letter G. first range.

These petitions were severally referred to the  
Committee on State Lands and State Roads  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to trustee process ad-  
ditional to Chapter 86 of Revised Statutes.  
This bill was taken from the table and on  
motion of Mr. Pike of Topsham. Tuesday  
next was assigned for its consideration.

Resolves in relation to a distribution of a

portion of the public lands of the United States. This resolve was taken up and on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland the resolve was amended as per sheet A. and as amended the resolve was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the distribution of the annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, laid on the table by Mr. Morriss of Farmington and under the rules it lies over until Monday next.

Bill an act relating to suits against sheriffs and certain other officers. This bill was taken up, amended as per sheet A. amended on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport and as amended passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of further legislation in regard to actions of review. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fisher of Brookhay, ordered that the Committee on State Prisons be directed to examine and report upon the accounts of the State with William Bennett Esq. late warden of the State Prison, also to report whether a settlement has been made between said Bennett and the State since his removal from the wardenship in the years 1855 and 1857 and that the Committee be authorized to

send for persons and papers for that purpose. Sent up for concurrence.

The motion made by Mr. Bicknell of Augusta on Feb. 10. to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to pass the order referring the subject of the pay of S. S. Gerrish to the Committee on the Pay Roll, was taken up and the House refused to reconsider the vote whereby it refused the order as a passage.

Bill an act establishing a State Normal School. This Bill was taken up and Mr. Stauden of Gardiner moved to amend by striking out section eleven of the bill and insert therein instead thereof the words on page A. and the bill and amendment were laid upon the table and Tuesday next assigned for their consideration.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary. on Bill an act to abolish imprisonment for debt was taken up and on motion of Mr. Printz of Bangor it was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. French from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the use of check lists in the election of town officers, reported a Bill entitled an act additional to chapter four of the Revised Statutes relating to elections. Report accepted. Bill read twice and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Martha J. Barker for divorce. The House reconsidered its vote recommending the report with instructions, and concurred with the Senate in accepting the report.

Petition of Ephraim Otis and 200 others for an alteration of the town lines of York, Kittery and Elliot. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Reller and others for an appropriation to build a bridge over Flag Staff Stream. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Simmons and 60 others, asking for a law regulating leuciseps. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Isaac P. Tibbels and 53 others for alteration of present law regulating the catching of salmon, shad and alewives in the Kennebec River. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cherryfield Brown Company for extension of Charter. Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves of the City of Rockland in relation to making Rockland a half shire town and furnishing rooms for the use of the Court.



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Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus Dunn and others of Peru for reenactment of law of 1840 in relation to the inspection of hops. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. G. Blaine and others for authority to construct a line of telegraph between Augusta and Skowhegan connecting with other lines. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Bangor, Alton and Milford railroad for extension of charter. This petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joel Bean and 24 other inhabitants of Litchfield for an act of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned,

Attest, George W. Milcox Clerk

Monday February 15. 1858.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and presided during the absence of a Speaker pro. tem.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta. Ordered that in the absence of the Speaker, Ezra P. French be appointed Speaker pro. tem. of this House. Read and passed.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta.

A message was transmitted to the Governor and Council by Mr. Austin of Warren and also a message to the Senate by Mr. Milliken of Camden informing those branches of the Government that in the absence of the Speaker the House had elected Ezra P. French Speaker pro tem.

Papers from the Senate

Petition of Samuel Guile and another for leave to sell a school house. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors and Stockholders of the Skowhegan Bank to change their location came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. P. Strickley and 59 other members of Engine Company, "State of Maine" in the town

of Thomaston for compensation of services. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Edward Guy for aid to erect carding machinery at Fort Kent in the County of Armstrong.

Petition of Henry Dimes and others in aid of the petition of Edward Guy. These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Reform School in order directing them to enquire what reductions may be made in the expenses of said institutions and also in relation to charging the expenses of the inmates on the several cities and towns from which they are sent asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order as they have embraced the subject matter in a former report to this Legislature. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the proprietors of Wildwood Cemetery Corporation. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on account of Joseph Demerji and Moses L. Appleton for services as Bank Commissioners.

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reporting a resolve in favor of Joseph Lunt and Moses L. Appleton. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Funds of the Maine Convention of Universalists.

Bill an act to set off Cyrus Bryant from the town of Fairfield and annex the same to the town of Bloomfield.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for the distribution of the annual report of the Superintendant of Common Schools. This resolve having been read twice and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter four of the



Revised Statutes relating to elections. This bill was read three times and on motion of Mr. Buxton of Warren it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Reform School on Bill an act additional to an act to establish the State Reform School referred from the last Legislature to the present, reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Pike from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation inefficient on order relative to allowing plantations to raise money for highway uses by a two thirds vote of the electors present at their annual meeting.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Education reported legislation inefficient on order in relation to the expediency of reenacting the law of 1855 requiring the Superintending School Committee of towns to appropriate ten cents of the forty cents among the smaller districts.

Mr. Buxton from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation inefficient on order for enquiring into the expediency of further legislation in order to give married women the right to testify in suits in which their husbands are interested. The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Fisher from the Committee on Fisheries on petition of A. M. Knapp and 146 others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Howards pond and its tributary waters in the town of Hancock. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. on petition of Joel Bram and others ordering notice by a publication in the Amherst Pioneer. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter four of the Revised Statutes relating to elections. on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta this bill was taken from the table and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Petition of Charles Everett and others for an examination of the State Iron and other minerals in the County of Piscataquis and for exploration and survey of Rail road route from Belfast or Frankford through the mineral region of Piscataquis to Amherst and for an appropriation for the same. Presented by Mr. Merrill of Williamstown and on his motion laid upon the table.

Petition of Robert P. Shaw of Frankford for compensation for injuries received while in the service of the State. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Mary Prentiss and 55 other women of Oxford County for legislation to suppress the traffic in intoxicating drinks. Referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. A. Morse and others, members of Machias Log Driving Company for amendment of the act of incorporation.

Petition of R. S. Kidley and 65 others for a law to prevent the destruction of fish in Sebaste pond.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Levi A. Lowell and others for act of incorporation of Union God Company

Petition of H. Boynton and others for an act to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Sebaste.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. P. Blood and 37 others for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary.

Petition of W. R. Wilson and 57 others of Eastport for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. S. Hill and others praying for repeal or change in the present pauper law. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Henry A. Harniman and others against the petition of Eben Brown and others. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Achorn Lime Rock Company for change in Charter. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of G. W. Pickering and others for relief of part of their taxes on township No. 6, in the fourth range in Woodstock County.

Petition of Phillis Russell for a deed of lot number 38 in township No. 4. Indian purchase.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Bruce and others of Patricktown that Waldborough may be made the third town of Lincoln County and against making Rockland a half third town of said County.

Petition of Samuel Liddle and others for same.

Petition of James Fopell and others for same.

Petition of Elephat Peltingdo and others of township No. 2. Hancock County to be set off



from Hancock County and annexed to Penobscot County.

Petition of S. L. Ward and 56 other citizens of Arrowsick County for division of said County.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Libbey and 52 others to have that part of Aramo situated on Mount Island incorporated into a separate town.

Petition of Leonard C. Cook and twenty one other citizens of York to be set off from said town and annexed to the towns of Elliott & Kittery.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais, ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of making changes in the present statutes relating to the collection of executions against towns. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Stetson. Ordered, that the Judiciary Committee enquire into the expediency of repealing Section 38 Chapter 81 of the Revised Statute. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buxton of Warren, ordered  
that the joint committee on the Judiciary  
be requested to enquire into the expediency  
of amending the third section of Chapter  
44 of the Revised Statute relating to the  
survey of Wood and Bark.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deane of Portland  
Ordered, that the Clerk of the House be  
and hereby is directed to procure from  
the State Library a copy of the Revised  
Statutes and deliver the same to the  
Journal reporter for his own use in the  
discharge of his professional duties, con-  
ditioned that said reporter return the  
same to the library at the adjournment  
of the Legislature. Read and passed.

Adjourned

Attest, George M. Milcox Clerk

Tuesday February 16. 1853.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bartlett of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of D. H. Mather and others of Jefferson praying that Patricktown plantation may be incorporated.

Petition of Peter Danton and others for same.

Petition of E. S. Weeks and others for same.

Petition of Erastus T. Weeks and others for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of George Woods and 70 others of Farmington for a Normal School. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Albion J. Potter and 92 others of Bath for an increase of fees allowed officers for travel and service of precepts in civil cases came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education on order in relation to appropriations for schools in Madawaskaw, Hancock and Van Buren, reporting a resolve in favor of Madawaskaw, Hancock and Van Buren plantations. This

report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrences. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Petition of Freeman Groves and 21 others for a mutual marine insurance Company.

Bill an act granting cities and towns the privilege of forming themselves in Mutual Fire Insurance Companies. This petition and bill was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Davis Jr. and Moses A. Appleton. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrences.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States public lands. This resolve came from the Senate, that branch nonconcurring with the House in amending the resolve as per sheet A. and then recommended the resolve to the Committee on Education.

The House receded from its vote amending the resolve and the vote whereby the House passed the resolve, to be engrossed and concurred with the Senate in recommending the Report.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of Ipswich Isle Academy. This Bill came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur



300. with the House in substituting Sheet A. as a new draft of the Bill and insisting on its vote passing the Bill to be engrossed. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it adopted Sheet A. as the substitute for the original bill, and passed the Bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Stowards pond and its tributary waters in the town of Hanover.

Bill an act additional to Chapter four of the Revised Statutes relating to elections.

These bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances. Laid on the table by Mr. Tapley of Saco, and referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland. Laid on the table by Mr. Miller of Portland. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the preservation of certain useful birds. Laid on the table by Mr. Deans of Portland. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike of Calais introduced the following order which on motion of Mr. Gibbs of Bath was indefinitely postponed. Ordered that members and Committees of the House who have taken the copies of the Revised Statutes belonging to the House whether feloniously or otherwise be requested to return them to the Clerk's desk forthwith.

Bill an act to amend section fifty and fifty four of Chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks & Banking Reported by Mr. Marshall from the Committee on Banks and Banking. Read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of William W. Wood and 111 others teachers in Franklin County in favor of a Normal School.

Petition of W. F. Moody and 18 others for same.

Petition of David F. Hayes and 27 others for same.

Petition of N. C. Harris and 20 others for same.

Petition of Harrow Brown and 20 others for same.

Petition of John Elliot and 8 others for same.

Petition of William J. Robinson and others asking for aid to East Maine Conference Seminary.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Brown and 45 others asking aid of the State for injuries sustained by the wife of said Brown at the South Kentucky Agricultural Fair at Lexington in Sept. 1857.

Petition of David Brown and 10 others for same.

Petition of David Brown and 33 others for same. The above petitions were taken from the table on motion of Mr. Hagaw of Richmond.

Petition of Levi E. Marble and 14 others asking increase of fees to officers for services of precepts in civil matters.

Petition of Charles E. White and 12 others for same.

Petition of Charles E. White and 16 others of Topham for a repeal of so much of the 113<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Revised Statute as authorizes an officer holding a debtor under arrest upon execution to take such debtor before a magistrate for disclaim without bond.

Petition of Elias N. Withams and 19 others for same.

Petition of David Parnson and 14 others members of the bar in Sagadahoc County for repeal of so much of the 15<sup>th</sup> section of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statute as relates to specifications of delinquency, or so amend it as to cure existing evils under its rule.

The foregoing petitions were generally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Abram Rich and 83 others of the town of Farmington against the petition of David King and others to be reannexed to the city of Gardiner.

Remonstrance of Augustus Ballou and 52 others against the same.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Kimball against the same.

These remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Divisions of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Andrew Starbuck and 105 others of the town of Fayette for a mutual fire insurance company, with a Bill accompanying, were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Finance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John B. Blood and 48 others praying that the law respecting moose and deer may be so altered as to prevent their being hunted with dogs at any season of the year. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abner A. Kimball and others in aid of the petition of the Ashon Lime Rock Company. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joel Tope and 48 others in aid of the petition of S. E. Ward and others for a



division of Westbrook County. Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of President and Directors of Richmond Bank for leave to reduce its capital stock. Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Edmund Bowker and others against the petition of Martha J. Bowker for divorce. Referred to the Committee to which was referred the petition of David C. Elliot for divorce. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Fisher from the Committee on Fisheries on petition of S. D. Sprague and seven others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to prevent the destruction of pickered in Meadows pond or its tributary waters in the town of Islesborough. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to provide for a State Normal School was taken up. Mr. Hanson of Gardiner withdrew the amendment offered by him, and on motion of Mr. Borden of Brunswick the bill was laid on the table.

Order directing the petition of Daniel Forbes, Thomas Matry and others corporators of the Maine State Agricultural Society to be taken from the files and placed before the Committee on Agriculture. Came from the Senate having been read & passed. Read & passed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the  
Maine Universalist Missionary Society.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 77 of the  
Revised Statutes relating to the Supreme Ju-  
dicial Court.

Bill an act additional to an act to preserve  
the harbor of Portland

Bill an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

These bills having each had three several readings  
and passed to be engrossed and reported by  
the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly  
and strictly engrossed, were severally passed  
to be enacted. Signed by the Speaker and  
sent to the Senate.

Bill an act relating to trustee process, ad-  
ditional to Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes.  
This bill was taken up and the question being  
upon reconsidering the vote whereby the House  
refused to concur in the amendment of the  
bill as made by the Senate. Mr. Johnson of  
Augusta moved that the question be taken  
by Yeas and Nays, and the House so or-  
dred, and upon being taken the House  
refused to reconsider its vote by Yeas 45,  
Nays 66.

Those who voted in the Affirmation were Mr. Baily,  
Buck, Buchanan, Buxton, Cunningham  
Cornstock, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. H. Drummond  
Estes, Flye, French, Gilbert, Goddard, Henry, Hill  
Holt, Johnson, Jenkins, Kingsbury, Leighton

A. E. Dibley. Marcy. Marshall. Mayberry Mc  
 Clauslin. Menickus. Miller. J. D. Morr. Parker  
 Parsons. Patten. Pellingill. Pike. J. Porter. Pratt  
 Rice. B. Smith. Stanley. Tapley. Watk. Weeks  
 Wheeler. Woodbury. Woodman.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs  
 Babbidge Banks. Batchelder. Bean. Bicknell  
 Knickerbocker. Bondy. Bowen. Brown. Brunker. Case  
 S. Chaabrown. Chick. A. H. Clark. Cowell  
 Clement. Conant. Deane. Dunn. Field  
 Fuller. Gickey. Hogan. J. Hall. Hanson. Hale  
 Hobbs. Keen. L. A. Kimball. S. Kingsbury. W. K.  
 Kingsbury. Knapp. Lane. J. Dibley. Longfellow  
 Maddox. Merrill. A. S. Morse. Morrison. Moulton  
 Oliver. T. Parker. Price. Puckius. Plummer  
 S. R. Porter. Pratt. Rockliff. Ranney. Rogers  
 Russell. Sally. Sawyer. Shearman. Skilton  
 Skinner. W. C. Smith. Snow. W. H. Swift  
 Tibbitts. Tibbitts. Truett. Watchman. Whitney  
 Wing. York

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Back the  
 House voted to adhere to its vote by which it  
 refused to pass the bill to be engrossed and  
 the bill was returned to the Senate.

Adjourned.

Attest George M. Wilson Clerk

Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Felch of Wallingale.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John West and 110, other citizens of Franklin for an insolvent law. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Orford E. Fuller and 55 other teachers in Orford County for a Normal school.

Petition of George M. Gage and 113 other teachers in Cumberland County for same. These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company against the petition of F. C. J. Smith, President of Portland & Orford Central Railroad Company. This remonstrance came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims upon the petition of John N. Kilsa, reporting a resolve in favor of John N. Kilsa. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve indefinitely postponed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and on Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.



Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on Bill an act in addition to an act to establish the Cumberland and Alfred Canal Corporation. reporting an order of notice by publication in the Portland Advertiser and Eastern Argus. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Sanford Noble

Resolves in favor of Samuel Clark

Resolves in favor of L. J. Boothby & Charles Turner

The above resolves having each had ten several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Henry Upton

Resolves in favor of Daniel Winston

The foregoing resolves having each been read twice and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Field from the Committee on Agriculture on petition of Stephen L. Goddole reported a resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goddole Report accepted. Resolves read once and Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup> assigned for its second reading.

Resolves in favor of Columbus Herrick  
was read twice and on motion of Mr.  
Woodman of Bucksport it was laid on  
the table.

Resolves in favor of Madawaska, Hancock  
and New Barren plantations. The House  
nonconcurring with the Senate in passing  
the resolves to be engrossed and recommitting  
it to the Committee on Education. Sent up  
for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Southport  
mutual fire insurance company. came  
from the Senate referred to the Committee  
on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Re-  
ferred in concurrence.

Petition of the State Agricultural Society for  
the adoption of measures for the settlement  
and sale of the public lands was taken  
from the table on motion of Mr. Miller of  
Portland and referred to the Committee on  
State Lands and State Roads. Sent up  
for concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the  
Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on  
order instructing said committee to enquire  
into the expediency of defining the jurisdiction  
of towns and county commissioners over roads  
the right to which has been acquired by use  
Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence

Mr. Tapley from the Committee on the Liquor Law  
reported a bill entitled an act for the suppression

of certain common nuisances. This bill was read twice and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was laid on the table and 330 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Comstock of Andover the memorial accompanying the petition of Charles W. Everett and others relating to an examination of the mineral resources of the County of Piscataquis, and for a railroad route from said County to Belfast or Frankfort was taken from the table and three thousand copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell Ordered, that the petition of Charles H. Mellen and others presented to the last Legislature and upon which notice was ordered returnable to the present Legislature be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland, Ordered, that the Committee on Accounts be and hereby are directed to ascertain the number of Clerks and all other persons at present employed in and about the Capitol at the expense of the State, not chosen by the people or by the Legislature, for what purposes, and at what salaries, whether any reduction can be made in the same so as to reduce the expenditures and report to this House on or before the first day of March next. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Brown of Willow introduced the following order which on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath was laid on the table; Ordered that after February 1<sup>st</sup> the hour of meeting for this House be fixed at nine o'clock A.M. except on Monday.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on Bill an act in addition to Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the sale of land warrants by executors and administrators reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass,

Mr. Morrison from the Committee on Education on Bill an act to incorporate the First Universalist Church in Rockland. reported the bill and that it ought to pass. The above reports were severally accepted. Bills each read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading

Mr. Pootip from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of F. L. Bryntun and others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to amend the City Charter of Bangor so that Aldermen and Councilmen shall not hold subordinate offices. Report accepted. Rules suspended. Bill was read three times, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Buxton from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the expediency of granting a right of appeal from the action of two or more joint Boards of County Commissioners in the laying out of ways.



on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the report was laid upon the table.

Bill an act to amend sections fifty and fifty four of Chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks and Banking was recommitted to the Committee on Banks and Banking, Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to abolish imprisonment for debt was taken up and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of Bowdoin Sh. Academy.

Bill an act to define intelligibly the northern Registry district of Arrostook County.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond so called in the town of Concord.

Resolves in favor of incorporated plantations.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves read twice and having severally been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills

as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills  
were passed to be enacted and the resolve  
finally passed. The bills and resolve were  
signed by the Speaker and sent both Senate.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Dunfi and  
Moses L. Appleton. On motion of Mr. Pike  
of Calais the House reconsidered the vote  
whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed  
and recommitted it to the Committee on  
Claims with instructions to consider the  
claim and report thereon. Sent up for  
concurrence.

Petition of Charles A. Adams and 133 others citi-  
zens of Portland in aid of the petition of  
Daniel Winslow and others to be incorporated  
to introduce pure water into the city of Port-  
land.

Petition of S. Myrick and others for same.

Petition of A. F. Cook and others for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the  
Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on  
the petition of Samuel Guild and another  
ordering notice. This report came from the  
Senate having been read and accepted.  
Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on pe-  
tition of Isaac P. Tibbels and others ordering

notice by publication in the "American Sentinel".  
This report came from the Senate having  
been read and accepted, Read and ac-  
cepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, Ordered  
that the Judiciary Committee be instructed  
to enquire what amendments (if any) are  
necessary to be made to Chapter 105 of the  
Revised Statute and report by bill or other  
wise. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Tice from the Committee on Accounts on  
the Accounts of the City of Bangor for support  
of State paupers, at Maine Insane Hospital  
reported asking to be discharged from their  
further consideration and recommending  
that they be referred to the Governor and Coun-  
cil. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of Wm. P. Lamson and 75 others in aid  
of petition for geological examination of the  
mineral resources of the County of Piscataquis  
and for an exploration and survey of a  
railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort  
through the mineral regions of Piscataquis to  
Amherst

Petition of Cyrus Hill and 56 others for same

Petition of C. H. B. Woodbury and others for same

Petition of Joseph Chas and others for same

Petition of T. S. Pullen and others for same,

The above petitions were presented by Mrs. Merrill of Williamsburg and on his motion they were laid on the table.

Petition of B. D. Metcalf and 42 others for a State Normal School.

Petition of M. L. Whittier & 38 others of Etta for same.

Petition of E. J. Carpenter and 24 others of Newburts for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Robert Stanley and 240 others against the petition of Stephen Young and others. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Chauncy W. Lovell and 88 others in aid of the petition of R. S. Sibley and others for preservation of fish in Sebago ponds. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Willis and other citizens of Portland in aid of the memorial of the State Agricultural Society for the promotion of the settlement and sale of the public lands of Maine. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Helen Smith and 4 others to be incorporated under the name of the Plumbeys



mining company. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it assigned tomorrow for the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the bill entitled an act to abolish imprisonments for debt, and it was taken up. Mr. Porter of Lowell moved to recommend the report with instructions to the Committee to report the bill accompanying the report and Mr. Ranney of Wino moved that that question be taken by Yeas and Nays and the House so ordered. An motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner the report was laid on the table and Friday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act to provide for a State Normal School. An motion of Mr. Boddy of Brunswick this bill was taken up and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of pickers in Meadow pond or its tributary waters in the town of Scarborough. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, George M. Wilcox, Clerk

Thursday February 18<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Butterfield of Hallowell.  
Paper from the Senate.

Resolutions of the Citizens Temperance Society of Ireland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Referred in concurrence.

Roll an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Marine Bank. This Bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Vague of Richmond the bill was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of D. W. Fairbanks for pay as a member of the board of Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw. This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the report was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Philander Fletcher and others for increase of bounty on wolves and bears.

Report of the same Committee reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to increase of bounty on wolves and bears.

Report of same Committee reporting legislation inexpedient on order to amend the law relating to Agricultural Societies.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting legislation expedient in order in relation to amending Section 3 of Chapter 441 of the Revised Statutes. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were severally read & accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Wm A. Hovey and others in aid of sundry petitions for a railroad from Milford to Assebrook, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of James Eiskins and 46 others for aid to East Maine Conference Seminary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Sumner Burnham and 24 others of Harrison for a law requiring conditional notes usually known as Holmes notes to be recorded same as mortgages of personal property, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of William H. Mills and 25 others of the City of Bangor against the annexation of any portion of the town of Amos to the City of Bangor came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Referred in concurrence.

Mr. Arnold from the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges on petition of Amos Mc Roberts and others reported granting said petitioners leave to bring in a bill, entitled an act to secure the

safety and convenience of travellers on Railroads. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Morrison of Farmington, the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on the Judiciary which was referred sundry orders relating to liens on vessels reported a Bill an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels. Report accepted, bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on Bill an act granting to Cities and towns the right to form themselves into Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The same gentleman from the same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of W. McClure and others.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on Bill an act to amend Chapter 899 of the private and special laws of 1886 entitled an act to incorporate the Biddford Fire Insurance Company, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Erastus F. Weeks and others reported an order of notice by service of copy on



the clerk of Patricktown plantation. The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the First Universalist Church in Rockland. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of Arno Willis and others reported granting leave to said petitioners bring in a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Bangor, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the order yesterday directing the petition of Charles St. Miller and others to be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and the order was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh. Laid on the table by Mr. Davis of Fairfield. Rules suspended. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Petition of John Wakefield and 400 others to make Rockland a half shire town of Lincoln County.

Petition of Robert Robinson and 73 others of Waldoborough that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln County, and remonstrating

against making Rockland a half town town.

Petition of W<sup>m</sup> Bradford and 49 others for same.

Petition of Samuel F. Hinds and 32 others for same.

Petition of Samuel Hallack and 63 others for same.

Petition of Nathaniel Tobey and others for same.

Petition of Reuben Arff and others for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Wm. Wilson and others for a Normal School

Petition of J. F. Hovey and others for same.

Petition of J. W. Smith and 72 others for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Baker and 29 others for alteration of law regulating mills. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Christopher Cushing and 21 others against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbitts and others for a law to regulate the salmon, shad and alewife fishing on the Kennebec River. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to provide for a State Normal School  
This bill being under consideration. Mr. Morr

of Ellsworth moved to amend the bill as per sheet A, and Mr. Stansbury of Gardiner moved to amend as per sheet B, and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, the bill was laid upon the table.

Bill an act to set off Cyrus F. Bryant to gether with certain real estate from the town of Fairfield, and annex the same to the town of Blomfield.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Funds of the Maine Convention of Universalists.

Resolue providing for the distribution of the annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools.

Resolue in favor of Henry Upton.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having had two several readings and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted and the Resolves finally passed and they were signed by the speaker and sent to the Senate.

The order which passed the House yesterday on motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland in relation to instructing the committee on Accounts to make enquiry concerning the number of Clerks now employed about the Capital, came from the Senate.

amended as per sheet A. and as amended proposed. The order being under consideration on motion of Mr. Comstock of Lubec the order was amended as per sheet B. and as amended proposed, Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Wilson Clerk



Friday February 19, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Vining of Augusta.

Mr. Sargent from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Ephraim Otis and others reported an order of notice by service of copy upon the Clerks of the towns of York, Elliot and Kittery. On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Waterford the report was recommitted with instructions as on Sheet A. annexed Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Godfrey Lydick. reporting order of notice.

Report of same Committee granting leave to withdraw on petition of Stephen Young and others. Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of John Davis and others.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance reporting leave to withdraw on petition of David Talbot.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education on Resol<sup>n</sup> recommitted to said Committee with the Resol<sup>n</sup> in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the

United States, reporting the resolve and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Resolve read once and tomorrow ordered for its second reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardens Academy.

Bill an act to divide the Congregational parish in the town of Sanford in the County of York. This bill came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Education. On motion of Mr. Hoag of Richmond these bills were laid on the table.

Petition of H. L. Smith and 4 others to be incorporated under the name of the Plumtree Mining Company. This petition came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur with the House in referring it to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and referring the same to the next Legislature. On motion of Mr. Hoag of Richmond the petition was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Davis Jr and Moses L. Appleton. This resolve came from the Senate that branch insisting on the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and proposing a conference of the two Houses and appointing Rufus Woodbury of Oxford, Charles of Lincoln and Burbank of Cumberland as conferees on the part of the Senate. The House voted to insist on the vote re-committing the report, agreed to the proposition of a conference and appointed Rufus

Pike of Calais, Johnson of Augusta and  
Woodman of Buckport as conferees on the  
part of the House.

Order from the Senate in relation to actions found-  
ed on breach of promise of marriage came  
from the Senate having been read and passed  
Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Lewiston Work Company  
This bill came from the Senate that branch  
having reconsidered the vote whereby it passed  
the bill to be engrossed and amended the  
bill as per that A. and as amended passed  
the bill to be engrossed. The House refused  
to concur with the Senate in adopting  
amendment A. and insisted on its former  
vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition  
of Josiah P. Beane, reporting a resolve in  
favor of Josiah P. Beane. This report came  
from the Senate having been read and ac-  
cepted and the resolve indefinitely postponed  
Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve  
read once and Wednesday next assigned  
for its second reading

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Military  
Pensions reported leave to withdraw on petition  
of John Samson.

Mr. Lehigh from the Committee on Railroads, Ways  
and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on peti-  
tion of the inhabitants of Medford.

Mr. Parsons from the Committee on State  
lands and State Roads reported leave to with-  
draw on petition of William Dickey and others,

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee,  
reported an order of notice on petition of  
Ephraim Alley & and others by publication in  
the Tri Weekly Journal,

Mr. Brown from the Committee on Military  
Pensions reported reference to the next legislation  
on petition of Arthur L. Grant for pensions

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Ju-  
diciary on order relating to the expediency of  
altering Section 16 Chapter 91 of the Revised  
Statutes reporting legislative inexpediency

The foregoing reports were severally read  
and accepted, Sent up for concurrence,

Bill an act concerning exemption of parties  
and witnesses, from arrest and imprison-  
ment was referred to the Committee on the  
Judiciary, Sent up for concurrence,

On motion of Mr. Smith of Litchfield  
ordered that the joint order of this Legis-  
lature providing that all petitions asking for  
private legislation should be referred to the  
next Legislature, the Senate concurring, be  
and hereby is rescinded. The rules were  
suspended, the order read and passed  
Sent up for concurrence,

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Camden ordered



that the Committee on the Militia be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so altering Section 88 of Chap. 10 of the Revised Statutes, that when any tumult or riot shall occur, that the Selectmen of the town and Mayor and Aldermen of the City where such disturbance shall take place, may notify the commanding officer of any Military Company who shall be at liberty to call out his company to suppress such violence, without an order from the Commander in Chief. Read and passed. Sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Merrill of Williamstown ordered, that the Land Agent be directed to embrace in his report under the order of the House of Representatives of the 28<sup>th</sup> ultimo, a list of all such townships and tracts of land in this State as are under permits from the Land Agents of Massachusetts or Maine having more than ten years term. Read and passed.

An motion of Mr. Wapow of Brooksville, ordered that the Secretary of State be directed to lay before the Committee on Accounts, the claims of the Treasurer of Ireland for bounty on wild animals for the year 1856. Sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Pratt of Alford ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending Chapter 91 Sec. 1 of the Revised Statutes by striking out the words "thirty" before "dollars" in the second line, and substituting the word

"five" and report by bill or otherwise.  
Sent up for concurrence.

The order directing the Committee on Accounts to ascertain the number of Clerks and other persons employed in and about the Capitol not elected by the people or by the Legislature came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur with the House in adopting amendment B. and insisting on the vote passing the order amended as per sheet A. The House reconsidered the vote amending the order as per sheet B. and concurred with the Senate in passing the order as amended by sheet "A".

Resolved in favor of Parker P. Phillips. This resolve having had two several readings was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence

Mr. Tye from the Committee on Accounts on claim of the City of Calais, reported that a part of said claim was provided for in roll of accounts No. 38, and recommending the balance of six dollars to be referred to the next Legislature, as it was for claims for bounty on animals killed in 1855. Report accepted.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Prentiss from the Judiciary Committee on Ohio an act to incorporate Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation, reported the bill and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

330. Mr. Tye from the Committee on Accounts on sundry accounts referred to them report in part a, Resolves providing for the payment of 2000 of accounts No. 38. Report accepted. Resolves read once and Wednesday Feb. 24 assigned for its second reading.

Resolves in favor of Daniel Winston

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Annapolis pond and its tributary waters in the town of Hanover.

Bill an act to amend Chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of Beef and Pork.

Bill an act additional to Chapter four of the Revised Statutes relating to Elections,

The above resolves having had two several readings, and the bills having had three several readings each, and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the resolves was finally passed, the bills passed to be enacted and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Bean from the Committee on Military Pensions, reported leave to withdraw on Petition of Nathl. Hawscom. Report recommitted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee on orders directing enquiry into the expediency

of altering Sections 30 and 33 of Chap. 18. and section 41 of Chap. 6 and in order relating to the expediency of amending the law relating to the duty of County Commissioners in giving notice when called upon to lay out roads in unincorporated places reported a bill entitled an act to amend chapters six and eighteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places. Report accepted. Bill read twice and in motion of Mr. Maye of Arimo it was laid on the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Fisher from the Committee on Fisheries reported leave to withdraw on petition of George Gupelo and another. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Weeks from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Samuel Gibsons and others reported granting leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Martin, Wendus and members of Papallmough Lodge. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Brody from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petitions of H. Silberman and Charles Poole reported a resolver in relation to the settlement of the public lands. Report accepted. Resolver read once & tomorrow assigned for its second reading.



Mr. Tapley from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation insufficient in so much of the Governor's message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta it was laid on the table.

Bill an act for the preservation of trout and pickerel in Sebago Lake, Long pond, Branchy pond, and Crooked River. Laid on the table by Mr. Deane of Portland. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John C. Willard and 58 others in aid of the petition of Charles A. Everett and others for geological examination of the mineral region of Piscataquis and for exploration and survey of railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral region of Piscataquis to Arrowsbrook. Presented by Mr. Merrill of Williamsburg and on his motion laid on the table.

Petition of S. B. Haniman and 13 others to be set off from Glenburn and annexed to the town of Kenduskeag.

Remonstrance of Hays Stetson and others against the progress of the petition of St. Wages.

and others for the incorporation of a town from a part of Levent. Grafton & Mendon. &c.

The above petition and remonstrance were severally referred to the Committee on Divisions of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Inhabitants of Orleans for the control of the fisheries in Eastern River. Referred to the next Legislature, Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. A. Watson and other citizens of the town of Coham for a change of the law relating to the location of School Houses.

Remonstrance of Samuel M. Bradley and others of the town of Limington against the establishment of a State Normal School.

The above petition and remonstrance were referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of P. Shaw and others in aid of petition of Henry Broughton and others for an act of incorporation of a Fire Insurance Company in Detroit. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. N. P. Lunt and others of Hallowell for a repeal of their act of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Ephraim Otis and others, came from the Senate, with notice ordered by a service of copy upon the clerk of the town of York, Elliott and Kitting 10 days before the 10<sup>th</sup> of March next and by publication in the Saco Democrat and the Union and Journal. Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved to recommit the report with instructions as per shut A. Mr. Pike of Calais moved that the question be taken by yeas and Nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken the House voted so to recommit by Yeas 72. Nays 45 as follows;

Those who voted in the Affirmation were  
 Messrs. Arnold. Babbidge Bailey. Bean Bicknell. Haisidee. Boddy Bowen Brown Buck Bunker Burton. Chick A.H. Clark, E. Clark, Howell Clement Comstock E. Davis J. Davis Deane, J. H. Drummond R.R. Drummond Dunn Field French Gilkey Goodale Hagav, J. Hall J. E. Hall, Hale Holt Johnson Justus, L. A. Kimball. S. Kingsbury Leighton Maddox Marcy, Marshall, Mayo Merithew Merrill. Miller J. D. Morr. Morrison. Parsons Perkins Pellingill. T. A. Pike. Plummer, J. Porter. Pratt Printz Quint Rackliff Ramsey Roak Rogers Shearman Spooner Stanley Strickland Tillson Wallin Walsh. Waterman Weeks. Wing Wordbury Woodman York.

Those who voted in the Negation were  
 Messrs. Andrews. Batchelder. H. M. Chadburn S. J. Chadburn, Cunningham Fisher

Flye Fuller Gilbert. Hanson Hensley Hobbs  
Ingalls Jones Keens. Knapp. Le. E. Libbey  
J. Libbey. Longfellow. Mayberry McKauplin  
Milliken Oliver. J. Palmer W. H. Palmer  
Parker T. Parker. Patten Percy Pierce. H.  
Pike. J. B. Pike. S. R. Porter. Rideout. Sawyer.  
A. Shaw. B. Smith. W. C. Smith. Snow  
Stockbridge. W. H. Surat. Tibbitts. Trissell  
Wheeler Whitney.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Wilcox Clerk



Saturday February 21<sup>st</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moore of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs on Bill an act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fishing Insurance Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, rules suspended. Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Robert Martin. Also reporting legislation in expedient on order in relation to paying Conck Hoyt.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Resolves for change of the Constitution relating to removals from office by impeachment and address. reporting the resolves and that they ought not to pass.

Report of the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of David C. Elliott for divorce reporting leave to withdraw. Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Benjamin Brookings.

Report of the Purbrook delegation on Bill an act to provide for the transcribing conveyances recorded in Lincoln and Hancock of lands lying in Purbrook County. reporting the bill

and that it ought not to pass.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of A. M. Tolman and others reporting a Bill entitled an act to incorporate the town of Pointip. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice. Amendment as in Sheet A. moved by Mr. Porter of Lowell and Monday next assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Bill an act to incorporate the Master Wardens and Members of Popponough Lodge.

Bill an act to incorporate Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation.

Resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United States.

The above bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having had two several readings each and bills and resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading. They were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced by Mr. Brown of Milton on Feby. 17, in relation to meeting at 9 o'clock A.M. was taken up amended by striking out 17<sup>th</sup> and inserting 9<sup>th</sup> and as amended the House refused to pass the order.

Mr. Parsons from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw on petition of Richard Libbey and John Lane. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Schuham Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the propriety of so amending Sections 19 & 20 of Chap. 83 of the Revised Statutes as to allow a justice of the peace, who by reason of age infirmity or any other good and sufficient cause, may wish so to do, to deposit the papers pertaining to his office with the Clerk of the Courts in the same manner as is provided in case of death or removal from the State. Also to enquire into the propriety of amending Section 21 of the same Chapter by striking out the word "two" in the second line and inserting "six".

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of Ephraim Atte and others, ordering notice. Also reporting leave withdrawn on petition of David King and others. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were similarly read and accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rowell of Hallowell, ordered that the first hour of each morning session be set apart for the disposal of morning business and that whenever any matter shall be taken up during the morning hour on which any member may express a desire to speak, it shall be laid aside without debate or motion until the hour expires or until the undebatable matter be disposed of. Read and passed.

Petition of Jeremiah Hall and 103 others for a law to tax church edifices and the salaries of clergymen, and petition of Emek Haskew and others for same. Presented by Mr. Bourne of Portland who made their reference to the Committee on Education. The Speaker held the motion out of order, as the Legislature had definitely acted on the subject matter of these petitions during the present session. On motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell these petitions were laid on the table.

Bill and act relating to the harbor Commissioners of Portland harbor. Laid on the table by Mr. Miller of Portland. Rules suspended. Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Divisions of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Thomas J. Haines and others. Report accepted.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Ulmer and others in aid of petitions praying that Rockland may be made



340. a half thin town for Lincoln County  
 Petition of S. C. Pears and others for same.  
 Petition of Edw Pordition and others for same.  
 Petition of S. S. Dennis and others for same.  
 Petition of Calvin Hall and others for same  
 Petition of C. J. Conant and others for same

These petitions were severally referred to the  
 Committee on Division of Towns.  
 Sent up for concurrence

Mr. Pountp from the Committee on the Judiciary  
 on order relating to payment of compound interest  
 on school money in unincorporated townships  
 reported a Bill, entitled an act to amend  
 Section fifteenth of Chapter fifth of the Revised  
 Statutes relating to lands reserved for public  
 uses. Report accepted. Bill read twice and  
 on motion of Mr. Ramsey of Winn the bill  
 was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Touriston  
 Works Company. This bill came from the  
 Senate. that branch insisting on its vote  
 passing the bill to be engrossed amended  
 as per sheet A. and proposing a conference  
 of the two Houses and appointing Messrs. West,  
 Sargent and Mc Churky as conferees on the  
 part of the Senate. The House reconsidered the  
 vote whereby it nonconcurred with the Senate  
 in adopting amendment 'W' concurred with

the Senate in adopting amendment "A" and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of A. B. Robinson and 5 other citizens of Maine praying for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing an Agricultural School. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Spear Jr and other citizens of Thomaston and Rockland that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln County.

Petition of George W. Kennedy and other for same.

Petition of W<sup>m</sup> H. Little and other for same.

Petition of Archibald Robinson and other for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of pickered in meadow pond or tributary waters in the town of Blsborough.

Resolves in favor of Sanford Noble.

Resolves in favor of S. T. Brockly and Charles Turner

Resolves in favor of Samuel Belacks. The above bill having had three several readings

and the resolves having been read twice and having each been hoped to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the bill was hoped to be enacted, the resolves finally hoped and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and the question being on a motion to recommend with instructions to report a bill, and the House having ordered that the question be taken by Yeas & Nays it was so taken and the House refused to recommend by Yeas 26. Nays 75 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Batchelder, Blairdell, Brown, Burdett, S. J. Chadburn, Cunningham, Comstock, French, Hudson, Keene, C. E. Libbey, Libbey, Mitchell, J. L. Moor, J. Palmer, B. T. Parks, St. Pils, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Ramsey, Rice, Redcutt, Rogers, Sawyer, Wadlin, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Beane, Bicknell, Brown, Buck, Bunker, A. McClark, E. Clark, Council, Clement, E. Davis, J. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. H. Drummond, Loomis, Field, Gilbert, Gickey, Goddard, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hursey, Hill, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Jones, Cole, Kimball, S. A. Kimball, J. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Maddox, Marcy, Maybury, McLaughlin, Merrill, Mulling, W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parker.

Parsons Patten Percy, Perkins, Pettengill  
 P. O. Pike, J. B. Pike, Pratt, Prentiss, Reak  
 Rowell, Sally, Sargent, A. B. Shaw, Skir-  
 row, W. L. Smith, Snow, Spence, Stanley  
 Strickland Tibbitts Tillow Truitt,  
 Walsh Wapow Waterhouse Weeks Wheeler  
 Whitney Woodman York

The report was then accepted and sent  
 up for concurrence,

Petition of Salmon St. Dodge for change of  
 name. Referred to the Committee on Change  
 of Names

Bill an act relating to the sale of land  
 warrants by speculators and administrators.  
 This bill having had three several readings  
 and reported by the Committee on Bills  
 in the Third Reading, was passed to be  
 engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence,

Adjourned,

Attest. George W. Wilcox Clerk



Monday February 22<sup>d</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moore of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John St. Kimball and others inhabitants of the town of Brunswick in aid of the petition of Directors of Kennebec Log Driving Company.

Petition of William Sargent and 20 others for same.

These petitions came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Calvin Berry and 47 others citizens of Hancock for an insolvent law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the delegation of the County of Penobscot on petition of the Judge of Probate for the County of Penobscot for increase of salary, reporting a bill entitled an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate of the County of Penobscot. This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary in order in relation to witnesses in cases of bastards.

Childs. reporting legislation in expedient and report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reporting reference to the next Legislature on petitions of Romeo Michaud. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend the City Charter of Bangor so that Aldermen & Councilmen shall not hold subordinate offices.

Bill an act to incorporate the First Universalist Church in Rockland.

These bills having each had their several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Snow of Acton, ordered that the report of the Committee and accompanying papers in relation to the moving of the Capitol be taken from the files of the last Legislature and referred to a joint Special Committee of one from each County on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join. Read & passed and Messrs. Snow of Acton, Patten of Fort Fairfield, Parks of Co. Bernick, Leese of Redfield, Leedom of Dixmoor, Stiles of Sullivan, Brown of W. Water, Shain of Troy, Percy of Newburgh, Leighton of Steuben, Dimes of Milton, Bailey of Auburn, Smith of Otisfield, Balch

of Waldoborough, and Andrews of Pleasant Ridge, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, ordered that the delegation in the House of Representatives representing the towns in Sagadahoc County with such as the Senate may join be and hereby are constituted a joint Select Committee to enquire into the expediency of an increase of the salary of the Judge of probate for said County with leave to report by bill or otherwise Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Burdett of Warren moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House on Saturday voted to concur with the Senate in accepting the report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of David King and others and to lay said motion on the table and assign Wednesday next for its consideration and the House so ordered.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Finance reported leave to withdraw on petition of L. A. Sperry and others for abatement in valuation of the town of Georgetown, on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, the report was laid on the table.

Petition of A. K. P. Hunt and 18 others of Islandport for a repeal of their act of incorporation. This petition came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur

with the House, in refining the petition to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns and refining it to the next Legislature. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the House insisted on the vote refining the petition to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns and proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Wm. Johnson of Augusta, Wapow of Brooksville and Sargent of Brooklyn as conferees on the part of the House.

Petition of Enoch Haskins and others and petition of Jeremiah Hall & others were taken from the table on motion of Mr. Brown of Portland and the petitioners were granted leave to withdraw.

Petition of J. McConant and others of Menmouth to make valid the doings of the first Congregational parish of Menmouth presented by Mr. Smith of Litchfield and on his motion laid on the table.

Petition of Samuel Kelly and others citizens of Colais for a law to suppress the traffic in liquors presented by Mr. Riker of Colais and on his motion was ordered to be filed with the papers and report of the Committee having under consideration the subject of a liquor law.

Bills an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Menmouth laid on the table by Mr. Smith of Litchfield and under the rules lies over our day



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Petition of W<sup>m</sup> S. Lockman and 143 others in aid of others to make Waldoborough the shire town of Lincoln County. Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties  
Sent up for concurrence,

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of D. A. Furibanks was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta it was recommitted.  
Sent up for concurrence,

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Prentiss. This bill was read the third time and on motion of Mr. Buck of Alderboro it was laid upon the table

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Rock the House

Adjourned.

Alfred Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk

Tuesday, February 23. 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Pease of Augusta.

Order from the Senate directing the Secretary of State to lay before the Senate the number of townships, their description or designation together with the number of inhabitants in each as required by an act to promote the incorporation of towns in new settlements approved April 15. 1857, came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William Singer and others of Thomaston in aid of petitions praying for Rockland to be a half town. Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrances of E. F. Lerane and 172 others of the town of Mendonkeag against the petition of H. Waugh and others for a new town.

Remonstrances of Nathl Smith against the same.

Remonstrances of S. B. Hamman and others against the same.

Remonstrance of Wm. Parsons and 78 others against the same.

These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Walker Jr and 76 others for a law to prohibit the taking of trout and pick-

ord from the waters of Sebago Lake, Long Pond, Mandy Pond and Crooked river, and their tributaries by nets, seines, spears, traps and boxes in certain months of the year.

Petition of Samuel A. Lawrence of Lubec for the privilege of extending his fish weir. These petitions came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of S. J. Roberts and 190 others against the annexation of Stenton by Prospect

Remonstrances of Stanton Ellis and others against same, were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Millbridge and others for right to purchase a bridge of the Millbridge Company. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William M. Sargent and others for law to protect inhabitants of Long Island against trespasses, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac S. Kimball and others for a division of the Congregational Parish in Sanford. Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition

of Calvin Hamlin and others, reporting a bill entitled an act to prevent the destruction of pickens in thelehina and little ponds. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill hoped to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth. This bill was read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to divide the Congregational parishes in the town of Sanford in the County of York.

Bill an act accepting the surrender of the Charters of the Mariner Bank.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy. These bills were taken from the table, on motion of Mr. Hagan of Richmond and referred in concurrence.

Mr. Burbank from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of Martha J. Fowler for divorce, and also on remonstrance of Edmund Fowler and others, reported leave withdrawn. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Boddy from the Committee on Education on order in relation to granting power to school districts to raise money in addition to what they receive from the towns reported



352. a Bill entitled an act to enable school districts to raise money for the support of schools therein. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on resolve in favor of Madawaska Hancock and Van Buren plantations recommitted to same Committee, reported the resolve and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Resolve read once and Wednesday March 3<sup>d</sup> assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate of the County of Penobscot. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was proposed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Elisha Storer and 56 others for adopting measures for the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Petition of L. B. Nasau and others for same.

Petition of Caleb Molyoke and others for same.

Petition of A. B. Sutton and 57 others in aid of memorial of State Agricultural Society for settlement of public lands.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Walter Brown and 153 others of Bangor in aid of the Amoscook Railroad.

Petition of Geo. W. Merrill and 27 others for same.

Petition of Josiah Tuck and 127 others for same.

Petition of William Stacy and 55 others for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jonathan M. Hayes for change of name.

Petition of Josiah Titchell for change of name, was  
severally referred to the Committee on Change of  
Names.

Petition of W.<sup>m</sup> H. Shailer and 13 others for a  
Normal School. Presented by Mr. Deane of  
Portland and on his motion it was ordered  
to be filed with report and papers of the  
Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Pratt and others of Alderboro  
for an insolvent law. Presented by Mr. Stick-  
land of Bangor and on his motion ordered to  
be filed with the report and papers of the  
Committee on an Insolvent Law.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of G. A. Haulow and others for re-enact-  
ment of Hop law of 1840.

Petition of Jonathan Hall and others for same, was  
referred to the Committee on Agriculture  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Register of Probate for the County of York for increase of salary. Referred to the joint delegation from York County.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of James W. Benge against the petition of S. C. Lawrence for right to extend jurisdiction over flats in Dubuq. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act regulating and restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors Laid on the table by Mr. Pike of Tipton who moved that the usual number of copies be printed for the use of the Legislature and to lay said motion on the table and again to-morrow at ten o'clock A. M. for its consideration. The House so ordered.

Bill an act additional to Chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes respecting parishes and religious societies. was amended on motion of Mr. Pritch of Bangor as per shut B. Mr. Boddy moved to amend as per shut C. and on motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner the bill was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fishing Insurance Company.

Bill an act relating to the harbor commissioners of Portland harbor.

Bill an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

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Three bills having severally had three readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act for the relief of insolvent debtors came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Recommitted in concurrence.

Resolves in relation to the settlement of the public lands. This resolve came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Thomas M. Gray and others reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to set off certain territory from the town of Chelsea and annex the same to the town of Pittston. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to provide for a State Normal School was taken up and the question being on adopting amendment A offered by Mr. Moor of Ellsworth. It was moved that the question be taken by Yeas and Nays and the House so ordered and being so taken the House rejected the amendment by Yeas 49 Nays 71 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Babbidge, Batchelder, Bean



Becknell. Bunker. Cass. S. J. Chadbourn. C. Clark  
 Cunningham. Fuller. J. Hall jr. Hie Holt Ingalls  
 Jones L. A. Kimball. M. Kimball. T. R. Kingsbury. Knapp  
 Leighton. Loring. Muddus. Marcy. Milliken. J. S.  
 Moore. Nutting. J. Palmer Parker R. T. Parks  
 Parsons. Patten. A. Pike. J. Porter. Ramsey. Rice. Rogers  
 Sully. Sargent Sawyer Shearnow Skinner  
 W. C. Smith. Snow. Spooner. M. E. Sweet. Wapen  
 Wheeler Whitney York.

Those who voted in the  
 Negative were Mipm. Andrews. Bailey. Balch  
 Blaisdell. Boddy. Bowen. Brackett. Brown. Buck  
 Bucknam. Burbank. Chick. A. W. Clark. Cowell  
 Coffin. E. Davis. J. Davis. Dians. J. Drummond  
 Dunn. Field. Flye. F. G. French. Gilbert. Hickey  
 Goodale. Hagau. J. C. Hall. Hanson. Hovey. Hobbs  
 Johnson. Judkins. Keene. E. Kingsbury. Lane  
 L. C. Libby. J. Libby. Longfellow. M. Manslin  
 Minithus. Merrill. Mitchell. Morrison. T. Parker  
 Percy. Perkins. Putnam. F. C. Pike. J. B. Pike  
 Plummer. S. R. Porter. Pratt. Prentiss. Rees  
 Ridout. Roak. Sanborn. A. B. Shaw. Skillin  
 B. Smith. Stanby. Stockland. T. T. T. T. T.  
 Truall. Wallin. Waipha. Wasthouse. Wells

Mr. Boddy of Brunswick moved to amend  
 as per sheet A. and on motion of Mr. Ben-  
 bank of Lewiston the bill was laid on the  
 table.

Adjourned.

Attest Geo. W. Milner Clerk

Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Webb of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Daniel Billings and others for the adoption of measures to procure the sale and settlement of the Public lands.

Petition of E. H. Hayden and others for aid to build a road from Shephard's Brook's Mill on No. 9 Range 6 to the Amherst road. These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and they were referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Ira Madleigh and others citizens of Alden and vicinity against an Insolvent Law, came from the Senate ordered to be filed with other papers in the hands of the Committee on Insolvent Law, and the order passed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of John Madigan against altering the law in relation to Mill dams.

Remonstrance of John Glidden and others against the same.

Remonstrance of Arnold Macey and others against the same. These remonstrances came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to amending Sect 18, Chap 22 of Revised Statute concerning partition fences on common or unimproved lands, came from the Senate reporting legislative inefficient and read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Committee of Stockholders of the Marine Bank for leave to surrender their Charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act in relation to conveyances of real estate reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resoln in favor of Parker P. Burleigh, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Claims. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the resoln to be engrossed and referred it in concurrence.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Education reported leave to withdraw on petition of B. A. Watson and others.

Mr. Benton from the Judiciary Committee reported legislative inefficient on order relating to change of Constitution to make Governor and Senators elect by a plurality vote.

Mr Tibbitt from the Judiciary Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Edward Merrill and others for leave to construct a Wharf into tide water at Portland.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resoln providing for the payment of roll of accounts No. 38. This resoln having had two several readings was hoped to be engrossed Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational parish of Monmouth This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was hoped to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of pick-ers in the Chinese and Little Ponds. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was hoped to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland, reporting the Bill and that it ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Banks & Banking on petition of President and Directors of Maine Bank for renewal and extension of Charter reporting a Bill an act to renew and



extend the charter of the Texas Bank and that it ought to pass

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of L. F. A. Johnson and others on bill an act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater reporting the bill and that it ought to pass. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed the last bill amended as per sheet A. Reports accepted in concurrence. bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Resolves in favor of Josiah P. Bacon. This resolve having had two several readings the House refused to concur with the Senate in indefinitely postponing the resolve and passed it to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee on Bill an act concerning exemption of parties and witnesses from arrest and imprisonment reported the bill and that it ought not to pass. Report accepted  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wagon from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of L.R. Stockwell, reported a Resolve in favor of David R. Stockwell.

Mr. Spooner from the same Committee on petition of John Parent reported a resolve in favor of John

The same gentleman from the same committee on petition of Wingate Bradley reported a resolve in favor of Wingate Bradley. The above reports were severally accepted. The resolves read once and Wednesday March 3<sup>d</sup> assigned for the second reading of each.

Mr. Prentiss from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Commissioners of the County of Piscataquis for right to use jails in Penobscot and Somerset Counties. reported a Bill entitled an act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.

Mr. Leane from the Committee on Education on petition of School district No. 5 in Atkinson reported a Bill entitled an act to empower the collector of Atkinson for the year A.D. 1856 to close collection of school district tax for district No. 5 in Atkinson same year. The above reports were accepted. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Prentiss. The amendment offered by Mr. Porter of Lowell was rejected. and the bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Joel Top and 22 others for increase of bounty on bears. Presented by Mr.

Petition of Ranger and on his motion  
laid on the table.

Petition of Oliver Dow and 74 others in aid  
of the memorial of the State Agricultural  
Society.

Petition of J. R. Pearle and 48 others for same.

Petition of Stephen M. Pratt and others for same.

Petition of Woodbury Storrs and others for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Com-  
mittee on State Lands and State Roads  
Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Bingham  
for bounty paid on Wild animals. Referred  
to the Committee on Accounts.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of school dis-  
trict No. 5 in the town of Manchester, was  
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abby B. Dutton and 120 others  
women of Steubens for a liquor law. Ordered  
to be filed in the report and papers of Com-  
mittee on the liquor law.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Chandler and others of New Sharon  
for a charter for an Academy. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Leony Foster and 113 others in aid of the Amherst railroad.

Petition of Nathaniel Wilson and 75 others for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of J. H. Kilbo. This resolve having had two readings was on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill entitled an act for the preservation of certain useful birds, reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Rice from the Committee on the State Prison on order relating to diminution of sentence of convicts for good behavior reported a Bill entitled an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison. The above reports were severally accepted. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Agriculture on petition of Mr. P. Lancaster and 60 others praying for a law for bounty on the destruction of crows, reported leave to withdraw. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United



Bill an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

The above resolver having had ten several readings and the bills having had three several readings each and having separately passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the resolver was finally passed, the bills passed to be enacted, and they were all signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the matter of costs in criminal prosecutions was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, who moved to recommit the report with instructions as per Sheet A. An motion of Mr. Pike of Calais Friday next at twelve o'clock was assigned as the time to take the vote on the motion of Mr. Johnson and the report was laid on the table.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State saying that no returns have been made to his office as contemplated by the 4<sup>th</sup> section of an Act to promote the incorporation of towns in new settlements approved April 15 1857 and that therefore he is unable to give the Legislature

the information asked for in the order of the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst.)

Report of the Committee on Slavery reporting resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery  
This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolves passed to be engrossed. Report accepted  
Resolves read twice and tomorrow assigned for their consideration

On motion of Munce of Williamsburg, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of adding to Section ten Chapter 135 of the Revised Statutes the following words: "any convict who has been liberated by the Sheriff upon giving his note as aforesaid or in any other way except by payment of the fine or costs and shall be committed to jail again for default of paying a fine or cost for which he was or shall be sentenced for an offence committed within six months after the offence for which he was previously committed and liberated shall not be liberated as is provided in Section 10 till after the expiration of ninety days from the time of his commitment"

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Plummer of diston, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of prohibiting the practice of lawyers and puff-brogers in the Supreme Judicial Court

and counts holden by Justices of the Peace who have collected money for their clients and converted it to their own use or neglected or refused to pay it on demand, also when they shall be paid a fee and requested to commence a civil or criminal suits and afterwards receive a sum of money from the defendant without the written consent of the plaintiff and proceed no further with the suit and retain that sum of money. Sent up for concurrence.

Bell an act to provide for a State Normal School. This bill being under consideration it was amended as per sheet 6 on motion of Mr. Hanson of Sandino. Mr. Monette of Searport moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed. and Mr. Field of Danville moved that that question be taken by Yeas and Nays and the House so ordered, and on being so taken it was indefinitely postponed by Yeas 79 Nays 38 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmation were Messrs. Babbidge, Bailey, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell Brown, Buck, Bunker, Carr, Chick, A. H. Clark, Eldark, Lowell, Lanningham, Coffin, J. Davis, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Jackson, Keon, J. L. Kimball, S. Kingsley, T. R. Kingsley, Leamington, L. E. Libby, J. Libby, Loring, Maddox, Mayo, Monette, Milliken, J. S. Morr, Muttiny, Oliver Parker, T. Parker, Percy Pellingill, A. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Redmont, Roak, Rogers, Sally, Scombom, Sargent, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skinner, M. Smith

Spencer Strickland, M. E. Sweet, Tibbels, Truett  
Walsh Wapen, Wheeler Whitney Wing Worden  
York.

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Those who voted in the Negative were  
Mayer, Blairdell, Brody, Brown, Brackett,  
Bucknam, Burbank, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourn  
Leonards, E. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond,  
Field, Flye, French, Hagaw, Hobbs, Johnson  
Jones, Maney, M<sup>rs</sup> Haublin, Miller, Morriss  
J. Palmer, Patten, Perkins, Pierce, F. A. Pike  
S. R. Porter, Rackliff, Skellin, B. Smith, Snow  
Stockbridge, Tilton, Wadlin, Walchman, Wicks,

and the bill was sent to the Senate for  
concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, George W. Milner, Clerk



Thursday February 25<sup>th</sup> 1853.

Prayer by the Rev. Mrs. Kelly of Augusta

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of the Selectmen of Blanchard asking for an abatement of their State tax came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Treasures Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Petitions of Richard D. Stow and 23 others in aid of the petition of C. R. Hinkley and others came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims. Referred in concurrence.

Petitions of Benjamin Shaw and 58 others in relation to sale and settlement of public and other lands of Maine.

Petition of R. B. Fuller and others of Wilton in aid of the memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society.

Petition of James M. Eaton and others for railroad from Milford to Arrowsick.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Mursery and 33 others praying for a law to prevent the taking of fish in Moosehead Lake. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Referred in concurrence.

Reports of the Committee on Divisions of Towns reporting leave to withdraw on petitions of Greenleaf King and others, of Abram Norton and others of H. Haugh and others, of J. Forness and others.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inefficient on orders relating to criminal depredations. Also on orders engaging into the expediency of amending Revised Statutes Chap. 91 sect. relating to the recording of mortgages of personal property.

The same Committee also reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. B. Norster and others, Also reported reference to the Committee on Interior Affairs on petition of William Baker and others.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School. This resolve came from the Senate hoped to be engrossed. Read once and Wednesday March 3<sup>d</sup> assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to renew and extend the Charter of the Ocean Park.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland.

Bill an act additional to the several act establishing the County of Piscataquis. The above bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally hoped to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Still an act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater was amended as per sheet A. in concurrence, and as amended having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison, this bill having had three several readings and amended as per sheet A. was as amended passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wapen from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of A.M. Thout and others reported Bill, entitled an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of John Rand and others reported a Bill, entitled an act to amend Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes in relation to filing specifications of defence.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of John B. Trofton and others, reported a Bill, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to change of present law relating to the collection of executions against towns, reported a Bill, entitled an act to amend Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes in relation to levy of executions against towns.

The above reports were severally accepted. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Bill an act relating to the sale of land warrants by

executors and administrators.

Bill an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate in the County of Penobscot.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of pickers in the China and Little ponds.

The above bills having been severally three times read and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on engrossed bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads. This Bill was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Morriss of Farmington Tuesday next was assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act to restrain the evils of licensed billiard rooms said on the table by Mr. Talbot of Bath and under the rule lies over until tomorrow.

Bill an act to abolish the office of superintendent of common schools, and Teachers conventions. Said on the table by Mr. Weeks of Vinalbonyk, and on his motion referred to the Committee on Education  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Walter Fols reported reference of the same to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. Fols from the Committee on Division of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Powers and others. The above reports were accepted & sent up for concurrence.



372. Petition of Bangor, Oldtown and Belfast railroad Com-  
pany for right to extend track to tide water. Referred  
to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of C. W. Jordan and 16 others for a State  
Normal School.

Petition of T. C. Rand and 49 others of Canaan for same.

Petition of C. J. Fernald and 21 others for same.

Petition of Lyman S. Strickland and 14 others for same.

Petition of B. P. Haug and 17 others for same.

Petition of Alden Blossom and 20 others for same.

Petition of W<sup>m</sup> H. Pillsbury and 99 others for same.

Petition of B. Adams and 24 others for same.

Petition of Jerome B. Allen and 46 others for same.

Petition of Amos H. Ellis and 15 others for same.

Petition of Lewis Tibbet and 16 others for same.

Petition of J. A. D. Blake and 33 others for same.

These petitions are severally ordered to be filed with  
the report and papers of the Committee on Education.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. H. Marshall and others for an act of  
incorporation for the purpose of manufacturing

and selling gas in the City of Belfast.  
Referred to the Committee on Manufactures  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Willard Whelan and 45,000 other citizens  
of Eastern in favor of the memorial of the  
State Agricultural Society relative to construct-  
ing a railroad to Arrowstock County.

Petition of Nathaniel Groton and others for same.

Petition of F. Harvey and others for same.

Petition of J. Q. Tilton and others for same.

Petition of James S. Bedlow and others for same.

Petition of Nathl. Platts and others for same.

Petition of Harvey S. Wilson and others of Bradford  
to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Petition of Aaron Haynes and others for same.

Petition of Joseph Stickney and others for same.

Petition of David Collins and others for aid in  
building road from Vaughan and Collins Mills  
to boundary line.

Petition of J. R. Sawyer and 46 others of Dorset  
for legislation to secure the sale and settlement  
of the public lands. The above petitions were  
severally referred to the Committee on  
State Lands and State Roads

Sent up for concurrence.

374. Resolves in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations, was taken up, considered and on motion of Mr. Patten of Fort Fairfield it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield, was on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais re-committed to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery. These resolves being under consideration. Mr. Rummy of Winn. moved to amend as per sheet A, and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the Resolves and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Petition of Winston Staples and 164 others for the adoption of measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Petition of E. L. Buxton and 194 others for same.

The above petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and they were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns. reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Ulin Staples and others. Also making same report on petition of the Selectmen of Prospect. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted they were severally laid on the table.

Bill an act regulating and restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. This

bill was taken up and the question being on the motion made by Mr. Pike of Topsfield on Feby. 23<sup>d</sup> to print 350 copies for the use of the Legislature was considered and the motion to print was rejected.

Bill an act additional to Chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes respecting parishes and religious Societies. This bill being under consideration it was amended as per sheets A, and B. Mr. Buck of Caledonia then moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Hall of Cohran moved the amendment as per sheet D. and on motion of Mr. Sawyer of Baldwin the bill and proposed amendments were laid on the table.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Milcox Clerk.



Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 1853.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dexter of Augustus.

Papers from the Senate.

Remonstrance of A. Melark against any alteration of law relating to Mice dam.

Remonstrance of M. L. Jones and others against same.

Remonstrance of W<sup>m</sup> Spooner and others against same.

Remonstrance of Daniel Jones and others against same.

The above remonstrances come from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of W<sup>m</sup> Somers and others reporting a Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society.

Report of the Committee on Education on petition of Isaac S. Kimball and others reporting a Bill entitled an act to divide the Congregational Parishes in the town of Somford in the County of York.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of W<sup>m</sup> H. Sargent and others reporting a bill entitled an act for the protection of the inhabitants of Long Island against depredations of Hunters.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of Samuel Walker, and others reporting a bill entitled an act for the preservation of trout and pickerel in the waters of the Sebago lake, Brandy Pond, Long pond and Crooked river and their tributary streams.

Report of the Committee on Interior Affairs on petition of Cherryfield Boom Company reporting a bill entitled an act to extend the Charter of the Cherryfield Boom Company

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice each and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Report of the Committee on Education on petition of T. D. Wakefield and others reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath, Tuesday next was assigned for its third reading

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the propriety of so changing the proceedings of trials in capital cases as to have the Court in such cases held by one judge.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter eighty four of the Revised Statutes in relation to levy of executions against towns. This bill was on motion of Mr.

Porter of Lowell laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to improve the Collector of Atkinson for the year A.D. 1856. to close collection of school district tax for district No 5 in Atkinson same year. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act regulating and restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. This bill was taken up and being on its first reading, on motion of Mr. Pike of Topsham the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. French from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to change of provisions of section 17 of Chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes. reported a bill entitled an act relating to executions against sheriffs. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Kingsburg from the Committee on Military Pensions on petition of Spencer S. Brown, reported a resolution in favor of Spencer S. Brown. Report accepted. Resoln read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Hobbs from the Committee on Division of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Stockbridge P. Grant. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Josiah P. Brew. This resolution came from the Senate that branch insisting on the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolution. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the resolution was laid on the table.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State laying before the Legislature a Statement of the Treasurer of Portland Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company of the net profits of said road for twelve years to November 1854,

Petition of John M. Wilson and 13 others for legislation to secure the sale & settlement of the public lands

Petition of George W. Chamberlain and others for same

Petition of J. N. Patton and others for same

Petition of H. W. Danforth and others for same,

Petition of Solomon Dunning and others for same,

Petition of E. A. Jenks and 50 others for an appropriation of land or money to build a road from Katahdin Iron Works to Chismcook.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrances of citizens of Bucksport against that provision of the Liquor law which allows the manufacture of intoxicating drinks was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on Liquor Law.



Petition of Ebenezer Edwards to set off a certain piece of land from Poland and annex the same to Attisfield. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to restrain the sale of licensed billiard rooms. This bill was read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to set off certain territory from the town of Lekeleca and annex the same to the town of Pittetown. This bill was read three times and on motion of Mr. Russell its further consideration was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Land Agent in answer to the orders of the House of June, 25<sup>th</sup> and of July, 18<sup>th</sup> which on motion of Mr. Merrill of Williamstown was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of Security Commissioners of Cumberland County praying that certain tracts of unincorporated land in said County may be annexed to the adjoining towns. Referred to the Joint delegation from Cumberland County.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Pontep.

Bill an act to incorporate the Martin Waudens and members of Popalborough Lodge.

Bill an act to incorporate the Mount Hope

## Committee Legislation.

The above bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act for the preservation of certain useful birds. This bill having had three several readings, amended as per amendments A, B, and C, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary and so much of the Governor's message as relates to acts in criminal prosecutions was taken up, and recommitted with instructions as per shut A. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of Alvin Staples and others, reporting leave to withdraw. Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the selectmen of Prospect. These reports were taken from the table on motion of Mr. Hobbs of Watertown and they were severally accepted in concurrence.

Petition of James H. Lee and others for an insolvent law, ordered to be filed with the report and papers of Committee on Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Remuneration of Abraham Jewell and forty others

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Remonstrances of Harry Noble and 29 others against same, were referred to the Committee on Fisheries Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Laid on the table by Mr. Strickland of Bangor. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Case from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Stephen Whitehouse jr. and others reported a bill entitled an act to set off certain inhabitants from the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of New Castle, and the report lies over until tomorrow.

Mr. Case of Readfield asked to be excused from further service on the Committee on Division of Towns, but without taking any action thereon the House,

Adjourned.

Attest George W. Wilcox Clerk

Saturday, February 27, 1858.

No Chaplain present.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Alfred G. Lithgow and others in aid of petition of Ephraim Alley & others came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Farmers Bank, reporting the Bill recommending its reference to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Report of same Committee reporting legislative inefficient on order relating to amending Sects. 19 and 20 of Chap. 83 of Rev. Statutes so that justices of the peace may avail themselves of its provisions in case of age and infirmity.

Report of the same Committee reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Sumner Burnham.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to manumission and its solemnization. This bill came from the Senate that branch having rejected amendments B, D. and E and adopted amendment C, and further amended as per sheet H. and as amended passed to be



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engrossed. On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the bill was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on order relating to bounties to vessels in the local fishing business, reporting violators relative to bounty on local fisheries. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolutions passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolutions read once and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of John Freely and others reporting a Bill, an act to set off certain territory from Mt. Vernon and annex it to Rockfield. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill indefinitely postponed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and Monday next assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Achorn Lime Rock Company reporting a bill entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Achorn Lime Rock Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to provide for a State Valuation Laid on the table by Mr. Gilbert of Bath and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Mr. Perkins from the Committee on Claims reported leave to withdraw on petition of Anna Sticks.

Mr. Loring from same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of W. W. Burnham.

Mr. French from the Committee on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles E. White and 12 others, and on petition of Levi Mumble and 14 others.

Mr. Parsons from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Israel Davis.

Mr. Pickens from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles K. Miller and als. for railroad charter.

Mr. Mayo from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges reported an order of notice on petition of John W. Vazis by publication in the Ranger Daily Whig.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order disengaging into the expediency of amending Section 10 of Chapter 135 of Revised Statutes.

Mr. Tapley from the Committee on the Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the rights of sureties of coroners. The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to extend the Charter of the  
Lynchfield Broom Company.

Bill an act for the protection of the inhabitants of  
Long Island against depredation of Hunters.

Bill an act to incorporate the Proprietors of  
Wildwood Cemetery.

Bill an act to divide the Congregational  
Parish in the town of Sanford.

Bill an act to incorporate the Hancock  
Agricultural Society.

The foregoing bills having each had three  
several readings and reported by the Com-  
mittee on Bills in the Third Reading were  
severally passed to be engrossed in con-  
currence.

Petition of H. L. Smith and others for an  
act of incorporation under the name of the  
Humboldt Mining Company was on motion  
of Mr. Hagan of Richmond taken from the  
table, and the House voted to insist on the  
vote whereby it referred the petition to the  
Committee on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance.

Resolved in favor of Stephen L. Gerdahl This  
resolution being under consideration, it was, on  
motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco laid on the table.

Bill an act relating to executions against  
Sheriffs. This bill having had three several read-  
ings and reported by the Committee on Bills

in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Apesners of Franklin reported a Bill entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of the town of Franklin.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on order enquiring into the expediency of amending Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill entitled an act to amend Chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes.

Mr. Leare from the Committee on Dissein of Towns, yesterday reported on petition of Stephen Whitcomb Jr and others, a Bill entitled an act, to set off certain inhabitants from the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of New Castle.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Bills read twice and Monday next assigned for the third reading of each.

Bill an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport. This bill being on its passage to the third reading, it was on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Hussey from the Committee on Indian Affairs



on petition of the Gov. and Lieut. Governor of Penobscot Indians, reported a resolve in favor of John Allan and John Neptune. Report accepted. Resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Stickland from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw on petition of Edward Gung. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the City of Portland laid on the table by Mr. Deans of Portland and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Mr. Skellin from the Committee on Indian Affairs on petition of Passamaquoddy Indians, reported a resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians. Report accepted. Resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to restrain the evils of licensed billiard rooms. This bill having had three readings on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the further consideration of the Bill was indefinitely postponed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Buck of Oldtown offered the following order, which on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport was laid on the table. Ordered that a Committee of five on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join be appointed to enquire and report at early

convinced, if a great saving to the State may not be accomplished by abolishing the Boards of Trustees to Insane Hospital, State Reform School and Inspectors of State prisons, and institute the Governor and Council to be a board in their stead. Also if an auditor for the State could be appointed without increasing our state officers or State expenses by means thereof.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell, ordered that a Committee of five with such as the Senate may join be raised to ascertain and report when the Legislature may finally adjourn. Read and passed and Messrs Porter of Lowell, Plummer of Boston, Porter of Sebago, Fisher of Boothbay and Coffin of Shapleigh were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Bills an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland and referred to the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deane of Portland ordered that the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to enquire what further legislation if any is necessary to define more distinctly the duties of receivers of Banks.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tibbitts of Bath, ordered that the Joint Standing Committee on the Ju-

diciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of an amendment of the fifty fifth section of the eighty sixth Chapter of the Revised Statute so as to provide that in Trustee process the amount for which the trustee is holden need not be expressed in judgment; Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to renew and extend the Charter of the Meazie Bank

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland.

The above bills having each had their several readings and passed to be engrossed, are reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed and severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reporting leave to withdraw on petition of G. W. Pickering and others.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petitions of John B. Blodget and others, and H. C. Barrows and others reporting reference to the Judiciary Committee These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Nath. Coffin and others, reporting a reference of the petition to the

Committee on State Lands and State Roads.  
This report came from the Senate having  
been read and accepted. On motion of  
Mr. Menill of Williamsburg the report was  
recommitted to the Judiciary Committee,  
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on  
petition of L. L. Spinney and others, was  
taken up and considered, and on motion  
of Mr. Allen of Georgetown it was laid  
on the table.

Petition of Joel Wellington and 62 others  
citizens of Armistock County for the sale and  
settlement of the public lands.

Petition of Mr. Lunsie and 17 others for same.

Petition of D. L. Campbell and others for same.

Petition of Daniel Nickerson and 140 others for same.

Petition of twenty seven Inhabitants of Topsham  
for same.

Petition of John Lerby and others for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the  
Committee on State Lands and State Roads.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Cuth and others for  
an Agricultural Society by the name  
of Somerset and Franklin Agricultural  
Society was referred to the Committee on Ag-  
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Petition of Abraham Richards and 29 others praying for an Involunt Law, ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on Involunt Law.  
Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced today by Mr. Buck of Alderboro and laid on the table on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport was taken up and passed, and Messrs Buck of Alderboro, Sawyer of Baldwin, Shearman of Sidney, Morr of Limerick and Perkins of Kennebunkport were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Bills an act for the preservation of trout and pickered in Sebago lake, Long pond, Brandy pond and Crooked river and their tributary streams in the County of Cumberland, reported by Mr. Johnson from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading with amendment as per sheet A. On motion of Mr. Whitney of Raymond the bill was laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of Joseph Davis and Mues L. Appleton, reported by the Conference recommending that the House recede and concur with the Senate in passing the resolves to be engrossed. The House refused to recede and concur and voted to adhere to its former vote recommending the resolves to the Committee on Claims. The resolves was sent to the Senate.

Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery  
 were taken up and the question being on  
 the adoption of amendment A. Mr. Russell  
 of Hallam moved that the question be  
 taken by Yeas and Nays and the House  
 so ordered, and pending the question the  
 House.

Adjourned.

Attest George M. Wilson Clerk

Monday March 1 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dillingham of Augusta

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of John Allcorn and others for an appropriation to build a road and establish a ferry reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Claims reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Joel Bean.

Minority Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Thomas W. Gray and others, reporting leave to withdraw. The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been severally read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence, except the last which on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of the Directors and Stockholders of the Skunkhogan Bank, reporting a Bill entitled an act to authorize a change in the location of the Skunkhogan Bank.

Report of the same Committee on petition of the Directors of the Eastern Bank, reporting a bill entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank. Ranger.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of the Methodist Society of Portland reporting a bill entitled an act to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been severally read and accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills each read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pickens of Augusta, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it on Saturday last accepted the report of the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges on petition of Charles K. Miller and others and re-committed the report. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to renew and extend the charter of the Maine Bank. On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the House reconsidered the vote whereby it on Saturday last passed the bill to be enacted and laid it on the table and assigned tomorrow for its consideration.

Mr. Wadlin from the Committee on Claims on petition of St. B. C. Case and others, reported recommending reference thereof to the Committee on Treasury Accounts. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relative to bounties on cod fisheries.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Achem Lime Rock Company. The



above resolve having had two readings and the Bill three readings and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading they were severally hoped to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to set off certain territory from Mount Vernon and annex it to Readfield. This bill was read three times, amended in concurrence with the Senate and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to provide for a State valuation was read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on petition of Willard Walker and others reported leave to withdraw, on motion of Mr. Tappan of Saco the report was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goodale.

Bill an act to amend chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to tamps.

Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of New Castle.

Bill an act to make valid the proceedings of the Town of Franklin.

The above resolve having had two readings

and the bills severally had three readings and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles L. Foster in aid of the memorial of the State Agricultural Society, and petition of W.<sup>m</sup> P. Lamson and others for aid to build a road from Kewahdin Iron Works to Chisunewok Lake.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Munroe of Williamstown ordered, that the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are directed to enquire into the legality and expediency of taxing all such townships and tracts, the fee of which has passed from the State since 1850. Also all such townships and tracts as have been permitted by Massachusetts for an unlimited time, that the same may be embraced in the tax list for the present year, 1855 and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Westbrook, ordered that the Committee on Manufactures be directed to enquire if any change in the law is necessary or expedient in relation to the mode of packing and marking paper manufactured in this State and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee appointed to ascertain the number of clerks &c. employed in and about the capital, reporting in part and asking leave to sit again. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Coffin from the Committee on Division of Towns was excused from further service in said Committee and Mr. Hall of North Berwick was appointed in his stead.

Adjourned.

Attest. George W. Wilcox Clerk

Tuesday, March 2. 1858.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and presided during the election of a Speaker pro tem.

An motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, ordered that during the absence of the Speaker, William T. Johnson Esq of Augusta be unanimously declared elected Speaker pro tem. The order was passed.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Pease of Augusta.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Burbank of Lewiston that in the absence of the Speaker the House had elected Wm T. Johnson Speaker pro tem. A similar message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. Banks of Biddeford. These gentlemen reported they had discharged themselves of the duty assigned them.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to directing the Land Agent to collect the amount due the State for stumpage, secured by bonds deposited in the Land office.

Order directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the Legislature, the amount of appropriation to each county for building roads and bridges and for educational purpose for each year from 1827 to 1858. These orders came from the Senate having



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been read and passed. They were read and  
passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on  
petition of a Committee of the town of Braintree  
reporting leave to withdraw, came from the  
Senate having been read and accepted.  
Read and accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate  
through Mr. Burpee, Senator from Lincoln  
informing the House, that in the absence  
of Joseph B. Stace the Senate had elected  
James M. Lincoln Secretary pro tem.

Resolves in favor of Nathaniel Allen. Laid on  
the table by Mr. Sargent of Brooklyn. Referred  
to the Committee on Education.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Alexander Johnston and 37 others  
for an act of incorporation for a new bank  
to be located at Wiscasset. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Banks and Banking.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery.  
These resolves were taken up and the question  
pending being upon the adoption of amend-  
ment as per that A. and the House having  
ordered that this question be taken by  
Yeas and Nays and being so taken, the  
House refused to adopt the amendment  
by Yeas 26. Nays 59 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were

Mesrs. Balch, Blaisdell, Bunker, Buxton, S. J. Chaddorne, E. Clark, Cunningham, F. P. Goddard, J. C. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Loring, Miller, J. Palmer, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Redout, Sanford, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, H. W. Sweet, Walsh, Waterhouse, Woodman.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Banks, Batchelder, Bicknell, Bordey, Brackett, Brown, Burtank, Chick, Coffin, Lemant, Field, Fisher, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilling, Hagan, J. Hall, Hale, Hussey, Rice, Holt, Johnson, Judkins, G. C. Kimball, A. Kingsbury, S. Knippling, Knapp, Lewis, Lighton, C. E. Libby, Longfellow, Maddox, Manoye, Marshall, McKauffman, Menichen, Messico, Milliken, J. D. Morr, Oliver, Parker, Quinn, Patten, Percy, Perkins, W. Pike, Quirt, Cook, Rowell, Sargent, Sherman, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Strickland, Tapley, Wapson, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney.

Mr. Tapley of Saco moved that the House reconsider the vote whereby it refused to amend the resolve and to lay said motion on the table and again Thursday next for its consideration and the house so ordered.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater.

Resolves providing for the payment of roll of

The above bills having each had three several readings and the resolve having had two readings, and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolve finally passed and they were each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to provide for a state valuation  
This bill was read three times and on motion of Mr. Miller of Portland it was laid on the table.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State informing the Legislature that a vacancy exists in the Office of Major General of the fourth division of the Militia of this State, occasioned by the resignation of Major General William S. Leachman.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary on order inquiring into the expediency of amending section 16 of Chap. 91 of Revised Statutes, reported a Bill, entitled an act to amend section sixteen of Chapter ninety one of the Revised Statutes.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of the Selectmen of Mills, reported a Bill entitled an act additional to an act to authorize the town of Mills to erect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited time ap-

proved, August 8. 1848.

The above reports were severally accepted.  
Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for  
their third reading.

Remonstrance of Thomas M. Ralfeff and  
140 others of Georgetown against the petition  
of Isaac P. Tibbels and others for a law  
respecting Fisheries in the Annapolis River.

Remonstrance of James P. Scott and 58 others  
of Georgetown against same.

Remonstrance of Lemuel E. Williams and 33  
others of Georgetown against same.

Remonstrance of R. D. Brown and 150 others of  
Bridgetown against same.

These remonstrances were severally referred  
to the committee on Fisheries and sent  
up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Government of the City  
of Portland against the petition of David  
Winslow and others; Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor of the City of Portland  
for the passage of an act authorizing said  
City to hold real estate to the amount of two  
hundred thousand dollars in addition to  
the sum now authorized by law. Referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.



Petition of John L. Bowman and others of Eastport for a Mutual Fire Insurance Company. This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and was referred in Concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary in order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison. Mr. Hager of Richmond moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday accepted this report and to lay the motion on the table and assign tomorrow for its consideration. The House so ordered.

Bill an act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.

Bill an act to extend the Charter of the Chesapeake Power Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society.

Bill an act for the protection of the inhabitants of Long Island against depredations of hunters.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, they were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of

West Gordin Academy. Read three times  
and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Back  
the further consideration of the bill was  
indefinitely postponed. Mr. Hanson of  
Gordin moved to reconsider the vote  
whereby the House indefinitely postponed  
the bill and to lay the motion on the  
table and again tomorrow for its consid-  
eration, and the House so ordered.

Bill an act to enable School Districts to  
raise money for the support of Schools  
therein. Read three times and on motion  
of Mr. Russell of Hallawell laid on the  
table.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Milcox Clerk,

\* Wednesday, March, 3, 1855.

The Speaker pro tem. announced the absence of the clerk. and.

An motion of Mr. Bicknell of Augusta ordered that during the absence of the clerk, Charles A. Miller be and hereby is appointed clerk pro tempore of the House with authority to appoint his assistant

Mr. Bicknell accompanied the clerk pro tempore to the Council Chamber where he took and subscribed the oath essential to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Cook of Durham that in the absence of the clerk the House had elected Charles A. Miller, clerk pro tempore. A similar message was sent to the Governor's Council by Mr. Marshall of Belfast. These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John S. Patten and others for the State to adopt measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Petition of A. W. Montross and 57 others for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred

to the Committee on State Schools and State  
Roads, and were referred in concurrence.

Bill an act relating to evidence in courts  
came from the Senate referred to the  
Committee on Judiciary and was referred  
in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Commis-  
sions on petition of inhabitants of Greenfield  
and Townships Nos 1 and 2 in Hancock Co.  
reporting leave to bring in a bill. came from  
the Senate recommittd to the Committee on  
Division of Commissions and was recommittd  
in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Bruce and 49 others in  
aid of petition of E. J. Weeks rats. for in-  
corporation of Patricktown plantations, referred  
to Committee on Division of Towns. and  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Brody from the Committee on Education  
to which was referred the petition of the Facul-  
ty of the Medical School of Maine for aid,  
reported a resolve in favor of the Medical  
School of Maine. Report accepted. Resolve  
read once and Wednesday March assigned  
for its second reading.

Mr. Baylton from the Committee on the Judiciary  
reported legislation inefficient on order  
inquiring what amendments are necessary  
to be made in Chap 114<sup>th</sup> of the Revised  
Statutes in relation to Hawkers and Peddlers.  
Report read and accepted & Sent up for concurrence.



The same gentleman from same Committee reported legislation in expedient in order directing and inquiring into the expediency of prohibiting the practice of lawgus and peltifoggers in the Supreme Judicial and other courts under certain circumstances, report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to authorize the town of Milis to erect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited time approved August 8, 1848.

Bill an act to amend Sec. 16 of Chap. 91 of the Revised Statutes relating to lien claims.

These bills having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to authorize a change in the location of the Skunkhegan Bank.

Bill an act to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland.

Resolves in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School.

The foregoing bills having severally had three readings and the resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the Papamaquoddy Indians. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was on motion of Mr. Pike of Sealais laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of John Alton and John Neptune. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was on motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell amended as per Sheet A, and as amended proposed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to reduce the Capital Stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was on motion of Mr. Pike of Sealais laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of John Parent. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was proposed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Wingate Pradley. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was on motion of Mr. Moor of Ellsworth recommitted to the Committee on State Lands & State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence

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Bill an act to incorporate the proprietors of  
Wildwood Cemetery.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorpo-  
rate the Acheron Lime Rock Company.

Bill an act to divide the Congregational  
Parish in the Town of Sanford.

The foregoing bills having each had three sev-  
eral readings and passed to be engrossed  
and reported by the Committee on Engrossed  
Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was  
severally passed to be enacted, signed by  
the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to provide for a State valuation  
taken from the table by Mr. Gilbert of Bath  
and on his motion referred to the Joint  
Select Committee on Treasurers Accounts  
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Leach A. Everett, and others for an  
examination of the State, Iron, and other min-  
erals in the County of Piscataquis and for  
exploration and survey of N. H. Route from  
Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral  
regions of Piscataquis to Arrostook and for  
appropriation for the same.

Petition of L. A. B. Woodbury and others for same.

Petition of William P. Larusson and 75 others for same.

Petition of Cyrus Hill and 56 others for same.

Petition of J. S. Puller and others for same

Petition of Joseph Lehar and others for same

Petition of John C. Willards and 58 others for same

These petitions were taken from the table by Mr. Morris of Williamsburg and on his motion referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrances of Joel Stephen and others against the petition of Ephraim Alley & others

Remonstrances of Moses Leach jr and others against same. These remonstrances came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and were referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to enable School Districts to raise money for the support of schools therein. This Bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was amended as per sheet A, and as amended was refused a passage. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior Affairs reported reference to the next Legislature on petitions of John Lovell and others, Report read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.



Petition of Rufus Quinal for the State to refund money taken for stampage from his land by mistake. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Union Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Laid on the table by Mr. Clement of Palmyra who moved its reference to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Angella M. Rounds of Sison for change of name. Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Bion Bradbury and others for change in law so as to allow one judge to try capital cases. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike of Calais introduced the following order which on his motion was laid on the table. Ordered, that the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to report a Bill to increase the specie in the State by requiring the Banks to keep ten per cent. of their capital stock in specie in their vaults instead of five per cent. as now provided in the banking law, and also providing that the deposits of Banks in the Suffolk Bank shall not be deemed specie in their vaults for any purposes and that no bills shall be deemed out of circulation until returned to the Banks issuing them.

Mr. Spooner of New Portland introduced the following order which on motion of Mr.

Gilbert of Bath was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Ordered, That the Land Agent be directed to employ Mark Barker or some other suitable person to examine the townships of lands belonging to this State. If he finds any one trespassing on any of said lands, to take their teams, remove them from said land and scale all the timber which has been cut without permit from the Land Agent, making his return to the Land Agent. And that he be directed to treat the Trespassers if any may be found as the law of the State may direct.

An motion of Mr. Batchelder of Henderburg Ordered. That the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of authorizing and empowering the several towns in this State to establish High or Graded Schools. and that they be instructed to report by bill or otherwise. Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Deane of Portland Ordered. That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to enquire into the necessity and expediency of codifying and publishing the private and special laws of this State from 1821 to and including the private and special laws of the present Legislature. Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell  
Ordered. That from and after this day the  
House of Representatives meet at nine  
o'clock A. M. until otherwise ordered.  
Read and passed.

Adjourned,

Attest. Charles A. Miller,  
Clerk pro tem.

Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bartlett of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Education reporting leave to withdraw on petition of E. W. Woodward and others.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Abijah Leraby and others.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act for the preservation of certain useful birds. This Bill came from the Senate that branch having adopted House amendments B and C. and rejected Amendment A, and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed. The House refused to reject Amendment A and insisted on its vote passing the bill as amended per sheets A, B and C amended to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on State Prisons reporting no necessity of visiting the prisons nor of sending for books of the institutions in order to obtain the contemplated information as to the condition of the institutions. Came from the Senate read and accepted and was on motion of Mr. Baston of Maine laid on the table.



Resolves in favor of Parker P. Burleigh. This resolve came from the Senate, reported in a new draft and proposed to be engrossed. It was read once and Wednesday March 10 assigned for its second reading.

Petition of Asa Smith and others for the State to adopt measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands, comes from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and was referred in concurrence.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior Affairs, reported legislation in expedient on petition of Leroy A. Stie and others for an act to protect the owners of crop land on the banks of Union River. Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Asahel Goodwin and 160 others against the division of the town of York

Remonstrance of Francis Planted and 107 others against same

Remonstrance of John Burdell and 58 others against same.

Remonstrance of Abner McIntire and others against same. These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Aaron P. Bowles and 64 others Inhabitants of Patrickton plantation to be annexed

to a part of Jefferson and incorporated into a town. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns and sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting a resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report read and accepted, and rules suspended. Resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Chailes A. Clark and 61 others against the petition of J. P. Tibbels and others for regulating the fishing in the Kennebec River referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance reported leave to withdraw on petition of Samuel Clements and others

The same gentleman from same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of H. L. Smith and others. These reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of Andrew Stewart and 105 others reported Bill an act to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Also reported Bill an act to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Company on petition.

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of Moses Nasau and others. These reports were  
severally read and accepted. Bills read twice  
and tomorrow appears for their third reading.

Mr. Loomstock from the Committee on Fisheries  
reported reference to the next Legislature on pe-  
tition of Moses L. Wilder and others.

Mr. Fisher from same Committee reported refer-  
ence to next Legislature on petition of Moses L. Wil-  
der and others. These reports were severally  
read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Finance reported  
leave to withdraw on petition of George D. Bacon  
and others. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman from same Committee reported  
a resolve relating to taxes on Nollbrook Island  
on order to enquire into the propriety of abating  
the State tax on Nollbrook Island. Report accepted  
resolve read once and tomorrow appears for its  
second reading.

Bill an act to make valid the proceedings of  
the town of Franklin.

Bill an act to authorize a change in the lo-  
cation of the Skutumpah Bark.

Bill an act to empower the collector of Atkinson  
for 1855 to close collection of school district Tax  
for District No. 5 in Atkinson, same year.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State  
Reform School.

Resolves relating to bounty on Cod Fisheries

The foregoing bills having severally had three readings and the resolves having been twice read, passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Whitney from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Daniel Neal and 21 others, Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Batchelder from the Committee on Agriculture reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. B. Marrow and others, report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Banks from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Walter Fife and others, reported Bill an act to incorporate the North Leeds Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company, report read and accepted, Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison, The House reconsidered its vote whereby it accepted the report of this Committee and on motion of Mr. Stagar of Richmond the report was recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on



petition of Levi Whitman and others reporting  
 Bill an act to establish salaries for County  
 Commissioners. This report came from the  
 Senate read and accepted, and the Bill  
 committed to a committee of one from each  
 County on the part of the Senate with such  
 as the House may join. The House in con-  
 currence accepted the report of the Committee  
 and joined, on the part of the House to the  
 Committee proposed by the Senate one from  
 each County, so that the Committee as joined  
 consist of: Messrs. Goddard, McClusky, Bur-  
 bank, Hoyt, Sargent, Wiggin, Burpee, Tutchell,  
 Thaxter, Higgin, West, Connor, McElvany, King  
 and Davis on the part of the Senate and  
 Messrs. Holt of Turner, Latta of Fort Fairfield,  
 Sawyer of Baldwin, Chick of Madrie, Moss of  
 Ellsworth, Weeks of Vassalburgh, Cunningham of  
 Edgcomb, Bean of Brunswick, Porter of Lowell,  
 Mulling of Parkman, Quint of Bondouland, Hale  
 of Hiram, King of Stassmont, Rackliff  
 of Wesley, and Tapley of Saco on the part of  
 the House.

Resolved in favor of Davis R. Stickney. This  
 resolve was taken from the table and on mo-  
 tion of Mr. Pike of Calais recommitted to the  
 Committee on State Lands and State Roads.  
 Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Spencer T. Brown. This  
 resolve having had two several readings and  
 reported by the Committee on Rules in the Third  
 Reading was passed to be engrossed.  
 Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Sardinia Academy. The House reconsidered its vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the further consideration of this bill and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath it was laid on the table.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns to which was referred an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield reported the same in a new draft. Report read and accepted. Bill read once and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes respecting parishes and religious societies. Taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Bondy of Brunswick was further amended as per Sheet Damaged and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization, taken from the table on motion of Mr. Kidcutt of Cumberland, and the question being on reading and concurring with the Senate in rejecting amendments B. D. & E. and adopting amendment A. Mr. Tophy of Saco moved the question be taken by Yeas and Nays and the House so ordered and being so taken the House yeered & concurred with the Senate in the proposed amendments by Yeas 86 Nays 34 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs.

Bailey Banks Batchelder Bicknell Brown Brown  
 Bucknam Burbank H. W. Chadbourne, S. J. Chod-  
 burn Chick A. H. Clark, Cunningham, Clement  
 Coffin, Leonard, E. Davis, J. Davis, Evans, R. K.  
 Drummond, Duns, Estes, Field, Fisher, Hyde  
 French, Goodale, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Harey  
 Hill, Johnson, Jackson, C. C. Kimball, S. W. Kim-  
 ball, H. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, W. Kingsbury  
 Knapp, C. E. Libby, Madder, Marcy, Marshall  
 Mayo Mumfords Munroe Maitin Miliken, J.  
 L. Morr, J. Palmer Parker, Parsons, Patten  
 Percy Perkins Pittinger, F. W. Pike, Plummer  
 S. R. Porter, Quint, Rackliff Rice Ridgely Root  
 Rowd, Sally Scombom Sargent, Sawyer Sheav-  
 man, Skinner, Stanley, Strickland, M. E.  
 Swett, W. H. Swett, Topley, Tilton, Wadlin  
 Walsh, Wafow, Watkinson, Weeks, Whitney  
 Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs.  
 Batch, Braw, Blewett, Borden, Brackett, Bur-  
 kee, Buxton, Carr, E. Clark, Comstock, Foss  
 Fuller, Gibbet, Keene, Luns, Lightow, J. Libby  
 Longfellow, Loring, McHauflin, Mulling, Oliver  
 H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Ranning, A. B.  
 Shaw, Skellum, B. Smith, Snow, Spooner,  
 Wheeler, Wing.

An motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bethel the bid was  
 laid on the table.

Remonstrance of town of Bethel against annexing  
 Hamlin's grant to Bethel.

Remonstrance of Miriam Day and others against same

These remonstrances were seriously referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry McQuinn and others in aid of the memorial of Maine State Agricultural Society, referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to divide the Congregational Parishes in the town of Sanford.

Bill an act to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland.

These bills having each had three several readings, passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills astutely and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted. Signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolution in favor of Josiah P. Bean, taken from the table by Mr. Johnson of Augusta and on his motion the House adjourned to its next meeting this motion to be engrossed.

Order from the Senate, Ordered that the State Treasurer be required to report forthwith to this Legislature the sum remaining in the Treasury of that fund commonly denominated the surplus moneys belonging to and to which the inhabitants of the Madawaska plantation are entitled with the amount of annual interest due thereon since the year 1837. This order came from the Senate read



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and passed, and was passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Shiv of Sullivan. Ordered  
the Senate concerning that the joint Standing  
Committee be directed to report finally on all  
business referred to them on or before the 15<sup>th</sup>  
inst. Read & passed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Moor of Ellsworth. Ordered  
that the Committee on Accounts be directed  
to enquire whether anything has been received  
and how much each year since 1854 for the  
prop grown in the State Lands connected with  
the hospital buildings and report the same  
to the Legislature as soon as may be. Read &  
passed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parsons of Acadia plantation  
Ordered. That the Secretary of State be directed  
to furnish the House with the items for furni-  
ture and repairs charged in gross on page  
four of the Treasurer's Report for 1857. Also  
the items for the same for 1856. Read and  
passed.

Adjourned

Attest.  
Charles A. Mearns  
Clerk for the time.

Friday March 5 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Edch of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Forbes and others.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries reporting leave to withdraw on petition of David Godfrey.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of L. A. Fambanks.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting leave to withdraw on petition of James Lunt & others, came from the Senate read and accepted and on Motion of Mr. Sprague of New Portland was laid on the table.

Report of same Committee reporting leave to withdraw on petition of A. M. Stevens & others, came from the Senate read and accepted and on Motion of Mr. Loring of Guilford was laid on the table.

Resolved in relation to the Settlement of the public lands. This resolve having had two several readings, proposed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills actually

and strictly engrossed, was finally passed signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Lands & State Roads. To which was referred the report of the Land Agent reported Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts came from the Senate read and accepted. Bill amended as per sheet A. B. C. and as amended passed to be engrossed. The report was accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary. on so much of the governor's message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions. This report came from the Senate that branch having amended as per sheet B. the instructions of the House. The House insisted on its former vote and proposed a conference and appointed Messrs. Pike of Calais, Woodman of Bucksport and Tapley of Saco. conference on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Walter Haynes and others for the adoption of measures to secure the settlement of the public lands came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and was referred in concurrence.

Order from the Senate. Ordered that the Secretary of State be requested to lay before the Committee on Accounts the bill of Thomas J. Shearnan coronor in Washington County. This order came from the Senate, read and passed.

and was passed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the North Leeds Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Ft. Fairfield.

Resolves relating to taxes on Holbrook Island.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the third Reading were passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriages and its solemnization. This bill was taken from the table and the question pending at the adjournment of yesterday session being upon its passage & be engrossed it was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to repeal "an act to incorporate the town of Islandport."

Bill an act to provide for enforcing licenses



Bill an act to amend Chap. 6 and 18 of the Revised Statute, relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, reported by the Committee on bills in the third reading were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Strickland from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Alfred W. Johnson reported a resolution for the conveyance of land to John Lowry and Alfred W. Johnson.

Mr. Sawyer from the Committee on Military Pensions on petition of Nathaniel Hawsecom, reported a resolution in favor of Nathaniel Hawsecom. The foregoing reports were severally accepted. Resolutions each read once and March 10 assigned for their second reading.

Mr. Spooner from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order directing the Land Agent to enforce the Trespass law, in all cases of trespass, reported resolution in relation to trespass upon the Public lands. Report accepted. Resolutions read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to amend Section 15 of Chap 5 of Revised Statute, relating to lands reserved for public uses, taken from the table by Mr. Pointing of Bangor. passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Arnold of Maryland, ordered that the recommendations contained in the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools be referred to the Committee on Education. Read & passed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy taken from the table on motion of Mr. Gibbs of Bath, and the question being on its indefinite postponement, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Perkins from the Committee on Claims reported leave to withdraw on petition of Robert P. Lehard. read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery, taken from the table and the question being to reconsider the vote whereby the House rejected the amendment offered by Mr. Ransom of Illinois the resolves were on motion of Mr. Brody of Brunswick laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of German Union Academy taken from the table by Mr. Banks of Vermont and on his motion Wednesday Mar. 10 ordered for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of John A. Cleveland laid upon the table by Mr. Brody of Brunswick and on his motion referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of Worcester against

Petition of Isaac P. Tibbitts and others,

Remonstrance of James F. Mustard and 53 other citizens of Topsham against same

These remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Fisheries, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Kent and 31 others of the Penobscot Bar that one Judge may be authorized to try capital cases, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of School district No. 15 in Parkman to have doings of same made valid, referred to Committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Seabury and 50 others of Parkman for the adoption of measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands and the promotion of general industry of the State, referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes. This bill having had three several readings passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes in relation to filing specifications

of defence, taken from the table and the question being upon its passage to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the same. Mr. Johnson Chairman of the Committee subsequently reported, "pro and con leave to sit again" Report accepted.

Adjourned

Attest. Cha. A. Miller,  
Clerk pro tem.



Saturday, March 6, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Butterfield of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Claims on Account of William Bennett reported the Account be not allowed.

Report of the Committee on the Treasurers Accounts reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of H. G. O'Leary and others. Also reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of the Selectmen of Blanchard.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of Ebenzer Brown and others.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of W. S. Gilman and others. These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and were accepted in Concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting Bill an act to incorporate the proprietors of Maine Wharf in Portland.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Samuel Arenis Esq and others, report Bill an act authorizing Samuel Arenis Esq to build a wharf in New Castle. Also on petition

of John Glidden and others reporting Bills an act to authorize the extension of Jacks point Wharf in New Castle. These reports came from the Senate read & accepted and the Bills passed to be engrossed. The Reports were accepted in concurrence, the Bills read twice and Monday next assigned for their third Reading.

Mr. Clark from the Committee on Rail Roads, Ways and Bridges reported leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Windus and others. Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting Bills an act repealing an act to incorporate the Portland Marine Railway, approved February 6. A.D. 1826.

Report of Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Isaac M. Bragg, reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattanaw-keag Dam Company.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on sundry petitions asking for additional laws relating to the inspection of lime reporting a bill entitled an act additional to chapter thirty nine of the Revised Statute relating to the inspection of lime.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports severally accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice each and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

Report of the Committee on Interior Matters on petition of the Directors of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, reporting a Bill entitled an act additional concerning the Kennebec Log Driving Company. This report came from the Senate recommitted and it was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs in communication of State Treasurer reporting a resolve relating to the Papamogusdely Indians. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve proposed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education on petition of Edward Kent and 1347 others reporting a resolve in favor of the East Maine Commercial Seminary.

Report of the Committee on Claims on account of Master Smith, reporting a resolve in favor of Master Smith & Co.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolves proposed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. resolves read once each, and Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on Land Agents report, reporting a Resolve authorizing the sale of certain lots of

land in the County of Arrostook. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Rules suspended. Resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate. Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of empowering the Aldermen of Cities and the select men of towns to require the owners or proprietors of public inns and hotels to provide suitable and sufficient ladders and fire-escapes from the different stories of their inns and public houses, whenever in the judgment of the Aldermen or Selectmen it may be necessary. This order came from the Senate read and passed and was passed in concurrence.

Petition of David F. Adams and others in aid of the sale and settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and was referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. F. Dole and 37 other citizens of Portland against the proposed loan of the State Credit in aid of the Arrostook Rail Road Company. came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Rail Roads, Ways and Bridges. The House nonconcurred and referred the same to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.



A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had made choice on its part of William A. Tilden as Major General of the fourth Division of the Militia of Maine to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Major General William S. Cochran.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Belfast, ordered that ten o'clock this forenoon be assigned as the time for the House to proceed to the election of a Major General to fill the vacancy now existing in the 4<sup>th</sup> Division of the Militia of this State created by the resignation of Major General William S. Cochran. Read & passed.

The hour having arrived contemplated in the order introduced by Mr. Marshall of Belfast, on motion of Mr. Tilton of Rockland. Messrs. Tilton of Rockland. Benson of Corinna. Madrin of Northport. Wheeler of Fairfield. Libbey of Machiasport. Pilling of Wayne and Mitchell of Washington were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Major General of the fourth Division of the Militia of this State. Having attended to their duty the committee through the Chairman reported:

Whole number of votes	102.
Necessary to a choice	52.
William A. Tilden had	77.
C. F. Ryley	20.
C. W. Bradard	4.
J. M. Marshall	1.

And William A. Tilden was declared duly elected on the part of the House, Major General of the 4<sup>th</sup> Division of the Militia of Maine.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta gave notice to the House that on Monday next he should move as suspension, for the remainder of the present session, of the 55<sup>th</sup> rule of the "Rules and Orders" of the House.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles A. Thompson and 31 others. Also leave withdrawn on petition of W. S. Hill and others.

Mr. Loomis from same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Abner J. Potter and 92 others.

Mr. French from same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order to enquire into the expediency of repealing Section 38 Chap. 81 of the Revised Statutes. Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending Sec. 10 of Chap. 141 of the Revised Statutes. The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Willard P. White and others, reported Bill an act to enable the Inhabitants of Orland to pay Willard P. White an additional sum for building a bridge. Report read and accepted. Bill read twice and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

The same gentleman from same Committee on order enquiring into the expediency of amending Chap. 105 Revised Statutes, reported Bill an act additional to Chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes for the collection and disposal of furs and coats in

criminal case. Report read and accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland it was laid on the table and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Moor from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was recommended the resolve of Wingate, Bradbury, reported Resolved in favor of Wingate, Bradbury.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of Justice Gray reported resolve in aid of Justice Gray.

Mr. Spence from same Committee on petition of John McClintock reported Resolved in favor of John McClintock.

Mr. Munroe from same Committee on petition of Peter Walker reported a resolve in aid of building Mills in Township No. 13, Range 13.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The resolves were read in each and Wednesday March 10, assigned for their second reading.

Mr. Boddy from the Committee on Education, reported Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary Approved March 16, 1855. Report read and accepted, Bill read twice and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Snow from same Committee reported

reference to next legislation on petition of Trustees of Foxcroft Academy. Report read and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations. Taken from the table on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in relation to trespassers upon the Public Lands. This order having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Mr. Prentiss of Bangor moved to amend as per what A. M. Spooner of New Portland moved that when that question be taken it be taken by Yeas & Nays and the House so ordered, and being so taken, the House refused to adopt the amendment by Yeas 4, Nays 94 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were  
Noyes, J. B. Pike, Prentiss, Rannay, Strickland.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs.  
Andrews, Bailey, Bates, Batchelder, Bean,  
Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brackett, Brown,  
Buck, Bucknam, Dunker, A. M. Chadbourn,  
E. Clark, Cunningham, Clement, Coffey, Leconte,  
Stock, Leonard, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, Dunn,  
Estes, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert,  
Hansen, Hale, Hensley, Hill, Ingalls, Johnson,  
Judkins, Keene, E. A. Kimball, J. R. Kingbury,  
Knapp, Lane, Lighter, L. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Long-  
fellow, Loring, Maddox, Maneyre, Marshall, May-  
berry, Mayo, McKauplin, Miliken, Mitchell,  
J. L. Moore, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, Parker, Parnes.



Patten, Perkins, Pittingill, Pierce, F. W. Pike  
A. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt  
Quint, Rackliff, Rideout, Rock, Rowell, Sally  
Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearnaw, Skellin  
Skinner, Shaw, Sprague, Stanley, M. E. Sweet  
W. H. Sweet, Wadlin, Walsh, Wapson, Water-  
house, Weeks, Wheeler, Wing, Woodbury, Wood-  
man, York.

The resolve was passed to be engrossed and  
sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hogan from the Committee on Division of  
Counties on petition of inhabitants of the towns  
of Greenfield and townships Nos 1 & 2 Hancock  
County, reported Bill an act to set off the  
Town of Greenfield and Townships number<sup>d</sup>  
1 and 2 in the County of Hancock and annex  
the same to the County of Penobscot. Report  
read and accepted. Bill read twice and  
Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Flye from the Committee on Accounts, on  
order enquiring into the amount of money re-  
ceived from the grape cut on the State lands  
connected with the Hospital buildings, re-  
ported the amounts received for the years  
specified in the order. Report read and  
accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Treasurers Accounts  
reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of  
the town of Scarborough. This report came from  
the Senate, read and accepted. on motion of  
Mr. Skellin of Mr. Harman the same was  
referred to the next legislation. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the Papamogusdy Indians  
This resolve was taken from the table on  
motion of Mr. Pike of Kealeis and passed  
to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor  
of Accounts. This bill having had three se-  
veral readings, reported by the Committee on  
Bills in the Third Reading, was on motion  
of Mr. Buck of Aldtown laid on the table.

Petition of W. Corwell and others of Whiteside  
that Patrickston may be incorporated.  
Referred to the Committee on Incorporation  
of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. E. Griffith and others for increase  
of officers fees. Filed with report and papers  
of Judiciary Committee. Sent up for con-  
currence.

Petition of Charles A. Corritt and others for aid to  
build a road from Katahdin Iron Works to  
Chumcook Lake. Referred to Committee on State  
lands & State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Luther Bradfords and 167 others  
against the repeal of the Law regulating fishing  
in the Kennebec River. Referred to the Committee  
on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Prentiss of Bangor. Ordered  
That the Committee on State lands and State  
Roads be directed to enquire into the propriety  
of proposing further laws to prevent trespasses  
on timber lands of the State or of Private in-

dividuals, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Calais ordered that the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to enquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to repair the roads on the Indian townships in the County of Washington.

Read and passed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport Ordered, that when this House adjourns, it adjourns to meet on Monday morning at ten o'clock.

Adjourned

Attest

Charles A. Miller,  
Clerk. per ten.

Monday, March 8, 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moore of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation independent on order relating to the expenses of persons committed to Houses of Correction. Also making same report on order relating to the time when the lien created by attachment on money process shall begin. Also making same report on order in relation to amending Sec. 65. of Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes.

Reports of the Committee on Division of Towns reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Ephraim Otis and others. Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel M. Crockett and others.

Report of the Committee on Military Pensions, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Thomas Webb. Also a final report of said Committee, reporting that they have acted on all matters referred to them and asking to be discharged from further service.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of John Allan and John Neptune. This resolve came from the Senate that branch refusing to adopt amendment A.



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of the House, and then passing the resolve to be engrossed. The House receded and concurred with the Senate in rejecting the amendment and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrences.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of J. L. Brown and others, reporting a Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrences. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Order from the Senate directing the Land Agent to transmit to the Legislature information as to amount paid or agreed to be paid to the State for the sale of Public lands from 1827 to 1858. inclusive, was read and passed in concurrences.

Bill an act for the preservation of certain useful birds

Resolves in favor of John Parent

The above bills having had three several readings and the resolves having had two readings and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the bill was passed to be enacted the resolve was finally passed and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to enable the inhabitants of

Orlando to pay Willard P. White an additional price for building a bridge.

Bill an act to authorize Samuel Allen Esq to build a wharf in Newcastle.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary approved March 16, 1853.

Bill an act to set off the town of Guilford and townships Number one and two in the County of Hancock and annex the same to the County of Penobscot.

The above bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Lumber Company

Bill an act additional to Chapter thirty nine of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of lime

Bill an act to authorize the extension of Jack's Point wharf in Newcastle.

Bill an act respecting "an act to incorporate the Portland Maine Railway Company"

Bill an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Maine Wharf in Portland.

Bill an act relating to the discipline of the State prison, on this bill the House receded and concurred with the Senate in amending the bill as per sheet B.

The above bills having each had three readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrences.

Resolves relating to the Papamogusdy Indians, this resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrences.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bills entitled an act relating to mortgages of personal property and the redemption thereof reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act additional to chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes respecting parishes and religious societies. This bill came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed and proposed a conference of the two Houses and appointed Messrs Brady of Brunswick, Johnson of Augusta and Woodman of Bucksport as conferees on the part of the House.

Mr. Prentiss from the Committee on the Judiciary

reported legislation inexpedient on order directing Enquiry into the necessity of amending Sections 5 and 6 of Chap 30 of the Revised Statutes. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Waterhouse of Lyman. ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire if any legislation is necessary to enable an apportionment of its proportion of the County tax upon the town of Dayton and report by bill or otherwise. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of T. J. Parker and 32 others for the adoption of measures for the sale and settlement of the public lands was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. B. Sawyer and others of Milbridge for leave to extend a wharf into tide waters was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

A message was conveyed to the Senate by the Clerk informing that branch of the Legislature that on Saturday last the House concurred with the Senate in the election of William H. Fitts as Major General of the fourth division of Maine Militia in place of Major General William S. Cochran, resigned.

Order relating to instructing Bank Committee



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to report a Bill requiring Banks to keep ten per cent. of their capital in their vaults was taken up and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Buckeport it was announced by striking out the words "and that no bills shall be deemed out of circulation until returned to the bank issuing them" Mr. Prentiss of Bangor moved further to amend as his sheet A. and on motion of Mr. Buck of Oldtown the order was laid on the table.

Bill an act to authorize Eustis Plantation to raise money to repair roads and bridges in said plantation laid on the table by Mr. Parsons of Eustis Plantation and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of James Lealts and others was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland and recommitted with instructions to report a bill.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of same Committee on petition of A. M. Stearns and others was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Loring of Guilford and recommitted with instructions to report a bill.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to authorize the town of Milo to erect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited term approved August eighth eighteen hundred and forty eight

Resolves in favor of Spencer L. Bonies

The above Bill having had three several readings. and the resolve having had two readings and last passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted the resolve finally passed. they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

Attest. George W. Wilcox Clerk

Tuesday, March 9, 1858.

To chaplain present.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of David Hoopes and others of New Sharon in aid of memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society.

Petition of J. M. Stubbs and others for same

The above petitions came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Referred in consequence

Order from the Senate directing the Committee on Indian Affairs, to enquire into the expediency of providing a local Auditor of the accounts of the Indian Agent at Alderton was passed in consequence.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting leave to withdraw on petitions of Sally Mayberry, G. W. Spratt and others and also on petition of Charles E. White and others, also on petition of Charles Simonds and others. Also reporting legislation inconsistent on order relating to amending Chapter 81 and 92 of the Revised Statutes relating to actions of breach of promise of marriage. Also same report on order in relation to enabling executors and administrators to assign mortgages of real estate. Also same report on Bill an act to amend sect. 11 of Chap. 77 of the R. S. The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted

They were severally read and accepted in Concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of Samuel A. Lawrence of Dubuq. reporting leave to withdraw came from the Senate read and accepted it was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee on petition of Charles W. Lowell and others properly a Bill entitled an act to promote the destruction of trout and pickers in Dubuq pond and its tributaries. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of George W. Smith reporting a Resolue in relation to township L. range two. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Resolue passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolue read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Reform School or order directing said Committee to visit that institution, reporting a Bill entitled an Act additional to Chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Reform School.

Report of the Committee on Rail roads, Ways



and Bridges on Bills an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the City of Portland. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Resolves in favor of the Reform School. This resolve came from the Senate having been passed to be engrossed. Read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Treasurers Accounts on petition of the town of Scarborough for a reduction of their State valuation. This report came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur with the House in referring the report to the next Legislature and insisting on its former vote accepting the report. The House receded and concurred with the Senate in accepting the report.

Remonstrance of Charles Hurdlett and 28 others of the town of Richmond against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbels and others

Remonstrance of Elijah C. Hatch and others against same. These remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent off for concurrence.

The House took up the consideration of the motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta notice of which was given by him on Saturday last and voted to suspend the action of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Rule of the House during the remainder of the present session.

Mr. Marshall from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of the Directors of the Union Bank at Brunswick, reported a bill entitled an act to reduce the Capital Stock of the Union Bank at Brunswick.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of the Directors of the Peipscoot Bank, reported a Bill entitled an act to reduce the Capital Stock of the Peipscoot Bank at Brunswick.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of the Directors of the Maine Bank at Brunswick, reported a Bill entitled an act to reduce the Capital Stock of the Maine Bank at Brunswick.

Mr. Hagar from the same Committee on petition of President and Directors of the Richmond Bank reported a bill entitled an act to authorize a reduction in the Capital Stock of the Richmond Bank at Richmond.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act relating to mortgages of personal property and the redemption thereof. This bill was read three times and on motion of Mr. Buck of Oldtown it was laid on the table.

Remonstrances of Samuel N. Foster and 34 others against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbels & others

Remonstrance of Lehaule Leclapp jr and 39 others of Bath against the alteration of the law relating to fisheries in the Kennebec River.

Remonstrance of Sanford Pittal and 45 others against the same.

Remonstrance of Stephen Walker and 85 others against the same. These remonstrances were formally referred to the Committee on Fisheries, Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Stoughton for bounty paid on wild animals was referred to the Committee on accounts and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Parsons from the Committee on State lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Paul Peasey. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Resoln in favor of the Committee on State Prisons, laid on the table by Mr. Moor of Ellsworth, read once and tomorrow appointed for its second reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy. This Bill came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concure with the House in indefinitely postponing and insisting on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a conference and appointing Messrs. Berry of Kennebec, Fletcher and Twitchell conferees on the part of the Senate. The House insisted on its vote, agreed

to the proposition for a conference and appointed Messrs. Boddy of Brunswick, Davis of Fairfield and Gibbs of Bath conferred on the part of the House,

Bill an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Hadlin from the Committee on Claims on petition of E. B. Stinchley and others, reported leave to withdraw. Report accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor.

These bills were taken from the table and having had two several readings each and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading they were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Columbus Brockett. This resolve having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Strickland of Bangor Ordered that the Judiciary Committee be



instructed to enquire into the expediency of  
passing further laws to prevent log stealing  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pierce of Kittery, ordered  
that the Senate be requested to return to the  
House the petition of Ira B. Belans for re-  
lief from a note held by the State and  
from losses by reason of the State taking his  
logs which he had paid for on their files  
for the year 1857. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Murr of Ellsworth ordered  
that an act to amend chapter 149 of the  
public laws of 1845 be taken from the files  
and referred to the Committee on the judi-  
ciary. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Spence of New Portland, ordered  
that the Land Committee be directed to take  
under consideration the propriety of the State  
selling stampage on the public lands, and if  
stampage is sold what price the State should  
sell the same and report to the Legislature -  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman, ordered that the  
Land Agent be requested to present to this House  
a list of all permits granted for more than  
one year now in the Land office by whom  
and to whom given, when dated, price of stampage  
and when said permits expire.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of William Woodbury and 32 others  
against loaning the credit of the State in aid of

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the Amherst Railroad

Remonstrance of David L. Magoun and 63 others  
against the same

Petition of Nelson Row and 43 others of Masardis  
to secure the sale and settlement of the public  
lands.

Petition of N.B. Emery and 37 others for same.

The above remonstrances and petitions were se-  
verally referred to the Committee on State Lands  
and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrances of William Storing and 48 others  
of Alexander against the petition of Goldfroy  
Lydiok was referred to the Committee on Division  
of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Benjamin Walker and 69 others  
of Bridgton against any change of toll in  
the Cumberland and Oxford Canal.

Remonstrance of Silas Blake and 524 others  
against same, were severally referred to the  
Committee on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance,  
and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor  
of Accounts. This bill being under consid-  
eration. Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved the in-  
definite postponement thereof. On motion of  
Mr. Buck of Oldtown the Bill was laid on  
the table.

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Bill an act additional to chapter thirty nine of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of mines.

Bill an act to amend Chapter fifty nine of the Revised Statutes relating to marriages and its solemnization.

Bill an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

Bill an act to incorporate the Tugboat Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to authorize the extension of Jacks point wharf in Newcastle.

Bill an act to amend section fifteenth of Chapter fifth of the Revised Statutes relating to lands reserved for public uses.

Resolve relating to taxes on Holbrook Island.

Resolve relating to the Papamogochy Indians.

Resolve in favor of John Atten and John Repleen.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two readings each and having severally been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossing Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed and they were each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to an act incorpo-  
rating the Waldo Mills Company. Mr. Johnson  
of Augusta asked and obtained leave to lay  
this bill on the table, and on his motion it  
was read twice and tomorrow assigned for  
its third reading.

Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery.  
These resolves were taken from the table on  
motion of Mr. Porter of Idaho and the ques-  
tion pending was the motion made by Mr. Topley  
of Saco, to reconsider the vote whereby the  
House refused to adopt the amendment  
offered by Mr. Romney of Winn and on the  
vote being taken the House refused to re-  
consider its vote. Mr. Berdy of Brunswick  
moved to amend by striking out all after  
the title and insert instead thereof the  
words on paper marked B, paper an-  
nexed. Mr. Moor of Ellsworth moved to  
lay the proposed amendment on the table  
and print the usual number of copies for  
the use of the Legislature and pending  
this question the House

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Milner Clerk



Wednesday, March 10. 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Patten for bounty paid on wild animals, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education on Bills intitled an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Bills hoped to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

A communication from the Treasurer of the State relating to surplus revenue belonging to Madawaska came from the Senate and was read and placed on file.

Petition of Daniel Munitt, for repayment of twenty dollars paid to State Treasurer in 1856, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of James W. North and 40 others against loaning the credit of the State in aid of the Amherst Railroad, was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of T. C. S. Bony and 38 others of Smyrna

Petition of J. S. Stafford and others, and

Petition of Samuel Butman of Plymouth in aid of the memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society, was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Boddy from the Committee on Education reported legislation in expedient in order relating to High and Graded Schools. Also same report on order relating to School books.

Mr. Morrison from the same Committee on Resolutor in favor of Nathaniel Allen reported the Resolutor and that it ought not to pass. The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of William R. Sawyer reported a bill, entitled an act to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Millbridge harbor.

Mr. Strickland from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Seneca Lake reported a resolutor in aid of the heirs of Benjamin Lowell and Lydia Lowell.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of the Selectmen of the town of Brunswick reported a Bill entitled an act to make valid the doings of the town officers in the town of Brunswick.

Mr. Comstock from the Committee on Fisheries on order relating to amending law concerning fisheries in the St. Croix river reported a bill entitled an act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Croix river,

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on petition of N. E. O'Barnes and others and on petition of Mack Coffin and others and on petition of J. P. Blood and others reported a Bill entitled an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes relating to the destruction of moose and deer.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Bills read twice. Resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves,

Resolves to economize time and expedite the public business. Laid on the table by Mr. Kimball of Rumford and under the rules lies over until tomorrow.

Mr. Gilbrat from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending the seventy seventh chapter of the Revised Statutes relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court sitting as a court of law. Also on order relating to legislation on officers of default in pending actions.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary reported, on Bill an act relating to evidence in courts. that the bill ought not to pass.

Mr. Pike from the same Committee on order relative to amending Chap. 6 of the Revised Statutes so as to make non resident proprietors subject to the same rules as resident proprietors. reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Pierce from the Committee of the York County delegation on petition of Francis Bacon reported leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, repeating that they have hoped in all matters referred to them and asking to be discharged from further service. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. It was read and accepted in concurrence.

Remonstrance of W. W. H. Clapp and 60 others of Portland against loaning the credit of the State to any railroad or projected railroad.

Remonstrance of R. H. Gardiner and 190 others of Gardiner against the petition of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge Company for increase of tolls.

The above remonstrances came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Harbors and Bridges. Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William Singer and 12 other citizens of Thomaston for alteration of law in criminal cases so as to make towns and cities liable for costs in cases originating in said towns.



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was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary  
Sent up for concurrence.

Account of the City of Portland against the  
State, was referred to the Committee on Accounts  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gibb of Bath ordered that  
the Committee on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance  
be and hereby are instructed to enquire into  
the expediency of a repeal or alteration of the  
thirty third section of the forty ninth chapter  
of the Revised Statutes, so that a director in  
insurance companies may also be secretary  
or treasurer. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to secure the safety and con-  
venience of travellers on railroads, was taken  
from the table on motion of Mr. Mann of Ellsworth  
considered, and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucks-  
port it was laid on the table.

Resolver in favor of the Reform School was read  
a second time and on motion of Mr. Deane of  
Portland it was laid on the table.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 142 of the  
Revised Statutes relating to the Reform School  
was read the third time and on motion of  
Mr. Deane of Portland it was laid on the table.

Resolver in favor of Parker P. Barlow.

Resolver in favor of Mastus Smith &c.

Bill an act relating to the laying out of streets

and ways in the City of Portland.

The above resolves having had two several readings, and the bill having had three readings and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Readings, they were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of John McCluskey.

Resolves in favor of the Committee on the State Prison.

Resolves in aid of Justus Gray.

Resolves in favor of Wingate Bradbury.

Resolves for the conveyance of lands to John Crosby and Alfred W. Johnson.

Resolves in favor of Nathaniel Hausman.

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Waldo Mills Company.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank.

Bill an act to authorize a reduction in the capital stock of the Richmond Bank.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings and the bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield

Bill an act repealing an act to incorporate the Portland Marine Railway

Bill an act to incorporate the Woodland Locomotive Company.

Bill an act to authorize Samuel A. Orris Esq to build a wharf in Newcastle.

Bill an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company.

Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of Newcastle.

Bill an act to incorporate the proprietors of Maine Wharf in Portland.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor.

Bill an act to incorporate the North Andover Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company.

Resolves authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the County of Aroostook.

Resolves in favor of the Papamagooddy Indians

Resolves in relation to trespasses upon the public lands

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two several readings and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolves in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and New Brunswick plantations. This resolve came from the Senate amended as per sheet A. The House receded and concurred with the Senate in amending the resolve and on motion of Mr. Patten of Fort Fairfield it was laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of the Medical School of Maine. This resolve being under consideration it was on motion of Mr. Bicknell of Augusta amended as per sheet A, and as amended having had two readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the third Reading was passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee on petition of David Brown and others reported a Bill entitled an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society. Also reported a resolve in favor of Abner A. Brown. Report accepted. Bill read twice and resolve read once, and



tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resolve,

Remonstrance of Samuel F. Peley and by others citizens of Naples against changing law regulating tolls on Cumberland and Oxford Canal, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Referred in concurrence,

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Benson of Warren it was laid on the table,

Bill on act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the City of Portland. on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed and recommitted the bill to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges  
Sent up for concurrence,

Resolve in aid of building mills in township No. 5, Range 12. This resolve having had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the third reading, was passed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence,

Resolve in relation to townships A. Range two. was read twice and on motion of Mr. Moor of Ellsworth it was laid on the table.

Bill an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances. This bill being under consideration was on motion of Mr. Berdy of Brunswick amended as per sheet et. and Mr. Pike moved to amend as per

Sheet B. and on motion of Mr. Weeks of Vassallborough, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee on petition of Samuel Guild and another reported a Bill entitled an act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augustus. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery. These resolves being under consideration. Mr. Moor of Ellsworth withdrew the motion made by him yesterday to lay on the table and permit the amendment offered by Mr. Bondy of Brunswick. Mr. Burbank of Lewiston moved the previous question and the House seconded the motion and the main question was ordered to be put and the question being on the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Bondy, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the House ordered that when that question is taken it be taken by Yeas and Nays, and being so taken the House rejected the amendment by Yeas 53, Nays 66.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Arnold, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bondy, Brackett, E. Cleghorn, Clement, Coffin, E. Davis, J. H. Hammond, R. R. Doremmond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, French, Gilbert, Goddard, J. E. Hale, Hale, Johnson, G. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Lighthouse, Loring, Mayers, McKimlin, Merrill, Miller, W. H. Packard, Parsons, Patten, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Raskiff, Ranning, Rice, Rogers, Salyer, Sanford, Sergeant Sawyer, Shearman, Skinner, Snow, Stanley

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Strickland, Hadwin, Watkinson, Weeks, Wing,  
Woodman, York

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs  
Andrews, Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bean, Bowen,  
Buck, Bucknair, Bunker, Burbank, Cary, A.H.  
Clark, C. Clark, Cunningham, Leonard, J. Davis,  
Dean, Estes, Flys, Fop, Fuller, Gickey, Hanson,  
Hussey, Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Jenkins  
E. C. Kimball, J.R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane  
A. C. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Marshall,  
Maybury, Mayo, Milliken, J. de Morr, Morrison,  
Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, Parker, Pikes,  
Perry, Pettengill, A. Pick, Plummer, J. Porter,  
Pratt, Quint, Rowell, A. Shaw, B. Smith,  
N. L. Smith, Spenser, Stockbridge, M. E. Swift,  
W. H. Smith, Tilton, Walsh, Wapen, Worthing,

and the question recurred on the passage of  
the resolves to be engrossed in concurrence  
and on this question on motion of Mr. Skilling  
of No. Yarmouth, the House ordered the  
Yeas and Nays, and being taken the House  
passed the resolves to be engrossed in con-  
currence by Yeas 90. Nays 40 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs.  
Arnold, Bailey, Bean, Bicknell, Blair, Bower,  
Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank,  
Cary, S. H. Cabburn, A. H. Clark, Clement, Coffin,  
Leonard, J. Davis, Dean, J. H. Drummond, R. R.  
Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Flys,  
Fop, French, Fuller, Gickey, Hagan, J. E. Hale,  
Hanson, Hale, Hussey, Hale, Hobbs, Holt,  
Jenkins, E. A. Kimball, E. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury,  
Knapp, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Manages

Marshall, Mayo, M. Mayfair, Morris, Mullin-  
Kew, J. L. McCor, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T.  
Parker, Patton, Percy, Pettengill, F. W. Pike,  
Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Pringle, Quint  
Rackliff, Russell, Sully, Souborn, Sargent  
Eusman, B. Smith, W. L. Smith, Snow  
Stanley, Stockbridge, Stockland, Tilton,  
Wadlin, Walsh, Wapen, Waterhouse, Weeks  
Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman  
York.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs,  
Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, Berdy, Barton  
E. Clarke, Cunningham, Lemasters, E. Davis  
Gibbs, Goddard, Ingalls, Johnson, Kerns  
J. C. Kimball, J. R. Kingsbury, L. E. Libby,  
J. Libby, Loring, Mayberry, Mitchell, Mulling  
J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Pierce, A. P. Pike, J.  
B. Pike, J. Porter, Rannup, Rideout, Rogers  
Sawyer, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, Skinner  
Spencer, W. E. Sweet, Tibbells,

Adjourned.

Attest George W. Milcox Clerk



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Thursday, March 11. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith of Littlefield.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of J. S. Rogers and others reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the Mayor of the City of Balt. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of the Mayor of the City of Portland reporting a bill entitled an act additional to acts incorporating the City of Portland. This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted and the bill proposed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickers in Lake pond and its tributaries.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls. Debating Club and Library Association having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on bills in the third reading were proposed to be engrossed in concurrence.

H/C.

Bill an act to authorize William B. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Thibodaux harbor.

Bill an act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Louis river

Bill an act to make valid the drings of the town officers of the town of Brownfield.

Bill an act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Final Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Bicknell from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of James H. North and Jos. H. Williams reported a Bill entitled an act additional to an act entitled an act to authorize certain cities and towns to grant aid in the construction and completion of the Kennebec and Portland Railroad. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was laid on the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Smith from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Leab Edwards and others and on petition George Edwards reported a Bill entitled an act to set off

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certain lands from Poland and annex the same to Otisfield. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Remonstrance of Edward Fox and 30 others against loaning the credit of the State in aid of the Portland Railroad, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Parker from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Isaac Vermont and others.

Mr. Hobbs from the same Committee reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Henry A. Small and 50 others.

Mr. Tof from the same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Jonathan Loomis.

The above reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society.

Resolves in favor of Arletta A. Brown.

The foregoing bill and resolves were on motion of Mr. Woodman of Buckleport re-committed to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to report an order of notice on the officers of the South Kennebec Agricultural Society returnable tomorrow afternoon. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Marshall from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of John W. Perry and others reported a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of the Directors of the City Bank at Bath, reported a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath. Reports accepted. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Hagar from the Committee on Deceased of Counties on petition of John Birds and others, reported a bill entitled an act relating to certain courts in the County of Lincoln. Report accepted. Bill read twice and Tuesday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Wapow from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of inhabitants of Brunswick reported a bill entitled an act to incorporate the city of Brunswick. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Wapow of Brooksville it was laid on the table and three hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Gilbert from the Committee on the Judiciary on message of the Governor relating to the subject of capital punishment, reported a Bill, entitled an act to abolish punishment by death. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Wordenman of Buckleport.



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It was laid on the table and then hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of Henry R. Bradbury and 18 others inhabitants of the town of Hollis for abatement of tax. was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Weeks from the Committee on Manufactures reported leave to withdraw on petition of D. W. Pillsbury and others

On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Watuford, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire if any and what amendment is necessary to Chap 67 of the Revised Statutes  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Johnson from the Committee on the Library reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters before them and asking to be discharged from further service.

These reports were severally read and accepted.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves to economize time and expedite the public business. was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Hagar of Richmond. Ordered that the delegation from Sagadahoc County in the House of Representatives and representing the towns therein, together with such as the Senate may join, be a joint Select Committee to enquire

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into the expediency of an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate in said County, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads. This bill was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Morr of Ellsworth, and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the same. Mr. Woodman of Bucksport being appointed Chairman of the Committee. On motion of Mr. Drummonds of Waterville the Committee rose and through its Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again. On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the Bill was laid on the table and tomorrow at ten o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes relating to the destruction of moss and deer. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Buck of Oldtown moves a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed, and the motion was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Order from the Senate, directing the Judiciary

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Committee to enquire if any legislation is necessary to make sections 37, 43 and 50 of Chap. 18 of Revised Statutes consistent with each other. was passed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate referring the communication of the Treasurer of the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. in relation to the Surplus Revenue belonging to Madamashos was amended as per Sheet A on motion of Mr. Berdy of Brunswick and as amended was read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike of Calais introduced the following order which on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath was laid on the table.

Resolved that on and after Monday next the House have two sittings a day commencing in the forenoon at ten o'clock and in the afternoon at half past two o'clock.

Resolved authorizing the sale of certain lots of lands in the County of Anson.

On motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland the House reconsidered the vote whereby it yesterday passed this resolve finally, and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels.

Bill an act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Resolved in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.

Resolves in favor of Master Smith &c

The above bills having each had three readings and the resolves having each had two readings and all having been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolves in relation to trespasses upon the public lands. This resolve came from the Senate that branch having amended the resolve as per sheet A. The House refused to recede and concur with the Senate in the amendment and voted to insist on the vote whereby it finally passed the Resolve.

The resolve was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Schadtroun of Vermont the House reconsidered the vote whereby it yesterday passed to be engrossed the Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery

Mr. Tappan of Newcastle moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby it yesterday rejected the amendment offered by Mr. Boody to the resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery and to lay the motion on the table and assign tomorrow for its consideration.



Mr. Woodbury of Houlton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed. Bill an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes relating to the destruction of mink and deer. The motion was laid on the table and tomorrow at ten o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Adjourned.

Attest Geo. W. Wilcox Clerk

Friday March 12<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Ephraim Alley & others requesting a bill entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts number three and six in Dooden.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of Edmund Smith and others for further laws to put in the Lowell Bank, reporting a bill entitled an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate Lowell Bank.

Report of same Committee on petition of the stockholders of the Marine Bank for surrender of charter, reporting a bill entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Marine Bank.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, reporting a resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bills and resolves passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice and resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Mr. Spooner from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Rufus Durinal for the State to refund money paid for stampage by mistake.

Mr. Woodbury from the same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of L. F. B. Johnson and 34 others for a road.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Anthony Brackett to be set off from Gorham, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Pratt from the Committee on Accounts reported reference to the Governor and Council on account of the City of Portland against the State.

Mr. Andrews from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Joel Brawn and on petition of inhabitants of Letter I.

Mr. Arnold from the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Portland and Alfred Central Railroad Company for a charter for a branch line of road.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Agriculture reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Jonas Hall and others, relating to law concerning the inspection of Hops.

Mr. Hall from the Committee consisting of the

Delegation from Cumberland County on petition of the County Commissioners of said County for certain tracts of unincorporated lands to be annexed to adjoining towns, reported an order of notice by publication in the Portland Advertiser and Eastern Argus three weeks successively before the first Wednesday of February. A. D. 1859.

Mr. Merrill from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Charles A. Everett and others and on sundry other petitions praying for an appropriation for an exploration and survey of a railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral region of Piscataquis to Arrowstock reported references to the Next Legislature. The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves to economize time and expedite the public business, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Davis of Fairfield the resolve was referred to the gentleman from Rumford as a special Committee.

The House took up the special assignment and the question being upon the reconsideration of the vote whereby the House rejected the amendment to the Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery as proposed by Mr. Brady of Brunswick, the House voted not to reconsider its vote.

Mr. Wordbury from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Anna Smith for the repairs of bridge at Mattawamkeag, reported a



Resolves for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag in the County of Penobscot.

Mr. Loring from the Committee on Claims, on resolves in favor of John McLeanland reported the resolves and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Incorporations of Towns on petition of Henry Dimms and 537 others, reported a bill entitled an act to amend the third chapter of the Revised Statutes.

Mr. Wordman from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to authorize Charles plantation to raise money to repair roads and bridges in said plantation reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Merrill from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Leche A. Everett and others for an appropriation for a geological examination of the mineral resources of Piscataquis reported a resolve authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the County of Piscataquis.

The foregoing reports were successively read and accepted, the bills were read twice and the resolves were read once, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Resolves authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the County of Arrostook, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland, and was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to acts incorporating the City of Portland. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution.

Bill an act to set off certain lands from Poland and annex the same to Orono.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath. These Bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered that the use of the Hall of the House on the evening of March 18<sup>th</sup> be granted to Elisha Burritt for the purpose of lecturing on the subject of compensated emancipation. Read and passed.

An motion of Mr. Prentiss of Bangor, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire if Section 24 of Chap 3<sup>d</sup> of Revised Statutes needs amendment as to the time of electing officers and other subordinate officers of cities.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Evans for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Name.

Certificate of J. C. Fletcher for bounty on one bear killed in June 1855. and claims of the trapper

of the town of Stincham for bounty on wild animals and claim of the treasurer of the town of Bethel for same, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Albert P. Gould and others to make Thomaston a half shire town of Lincoln County was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Searsfort for power to make by laws, and police regulations, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. H. Partridge and others for alteration of law in relation to Mills dams, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Banks from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of J. E. Blaine and others for right to construct a line of telegraph between Augusta and Sherburne reported reference to the next legislation. Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions relating to Kansas and Slavery. These resolutions were taken up and the question being on their passage to be engrossed, the House ordered that the question be taken by Yeas and Nays, and being so taken the resolution was passed to be engrossed in concurrence by Yeas 94 Nays 33. as follows:—

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs.  
Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blandin,  
Benn, Brackett, Buck, Buckman, Bunker  
Burbank, S. H. Cabot, Schick, A. H. Clark, Connel,  
Clement, Coffin, Leonard, J. Davis, Deane, J. H.  
Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes,  
Field, Fisher, Fop, French, Fuller, Galt, Hagas,  
J. Hall, jr, J. E. Hall, Hale, Husey, Hile, Hobbs  
Holt, Jones, Jenkins, L. A. Kimball, L. A. Kimball,  
H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton  
Longfellow, Macdon, Maney, Marshall, Mayo,  
McClafflin, Minichew, Mumie, Miller, Muliken  
J. L. Morr, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T. Parker,  
Parsons, Patton, Peltingill, T. W. Pike, P. Plummer  
S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rice, Root,  
Rowell, Sully, Sanborn, Shearn, Skinner,  
B. Smith, H. C. Smith, Stanley, Stickridge  
Strickland, Tapley, Tilsen, Wadlin, Walsh  
Wapen, Watkinson, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney  
Woodbury, Woodman, York,

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs.  
Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, Borden, E. Clark,  
Cunningham, Gilbert, Goodale, Ingals, Johnson  
Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, K. E. Libby, J. Libby,  
Loring, Maybank, L. S. Morr, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer  
R. S. Parker, Pierce, A. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter,  
Ramsey, Ridout, Rogers, Sawyer, W. B. Shaw,  
Skillin, Spornis, M. C. Swift, W. H. Swift,  
Tibbitts, Trussell,

Resolves relating to Kansas Affairs. Laid on  
the table by Mr. Borden of Brunswick. Rules  
suspended and read twice and being on its  
passage to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. Borden  
of Brunswick the House ordered the question



to be taken by Yeas and Nays. and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the House ordered the question to be divided and the vote first to be taken on the preamble of the resolve and being so taken it was ordered to be engrossed by Yeas 104 Nays 23 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmation were Messrs Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blandin, Boddy, Bowen, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burrill, Case, S. J. Chubb, Clark, A. H. Clark, Cornell, Clement, Coffin, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Doremond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Ester, Fidler, Fisher, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall jr, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, L. A. Kimball, S. A. Kimball, H. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Madder, Mayes, Marshall, May, W. Kaufman, Mearns, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. D. Morr, Oliver, Parker, T. Perkins, Pierce, Patten, Pittingill, T. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Potter, Pratt, Purnap, Quinn, Ranny, Rice, Rock, Rogers, Rowell, Saffy, Sanborn, Shearman, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Starry, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tapley, Tilton, Walden, Walsh, Wapen, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs Andrews, Batch, Batchelder, Burton, E. Clark, Cunningham, Ingalls, Keen, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libby, J. Libby, Mayberry, S. S. Moor, J. Palmer, W. W. Palmer, B. F. Parks, Pierce, W. Pike, J. Potter, Ridout, A. Shaw, Skelton, M. E. Sweet, W. H. Sweet, Tibbels, Tinsell.

The question being upon the passage of the  
 resolve to be engrossed, it was so passed by  
 Yeas 105 Nays 26 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs  
 Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blainden,  
 Bondy, Bowen, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker  
 Burbank, Caw, S. Chace, Chace, Chace, Chace,  
 Cowdell, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis,  
 Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn,  
 Estes, Field, Fisher, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert  
 Gilkey, Goodale, Hagan, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson,  
 Hale, Hany, Hale, Holt, Holt, Johnson, Jones,  
 Jenkins, L. A. Kimball, H. Kimball, H. Kimball,  
 S. Knapp, Knapp, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring,  
 Madder, Marcy, Marshall, Mayo, M. Mayfield,  
 Merritt, Merritt, Miller, Milburn, J. S. Morr,  
 Oliver, Parker, T. Parker, Parsons, Patton, Pettengill,  
 T. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss,  
 Quint, Ranney, Rice, Root, Rogers, Rowell, Soley,  
 Sanborn, Shearn, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C.  
 Smith, Snow, Stanley, Stebbins, Strickland,  
 Tapley, Tilton, Wadlin, Walsh, Watkinson,  
 Wapner, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury, Wood-  
 man, York,

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs, Andrews,  
 Batch, Batchelder, Benton, E. Clark, Cunningham,  
 Ingalls, Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, K. C. Ledy, J. Ledy,  
 Mayberry, S. S. Morr, J. Palmer, H. R. Palmer, B. F.  
 Parker, Pierce, A. Pike, J. Porter, Ridout, A. Shaw, Shuman,  
 M. E. Swift, H. R. Swift, Tibbels, Truford,

The second resolve was also passed to be engrossed  
 and the Resolves were sent to the Senate for  
 concurrence.

Mr. Ansell of Hallowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed the foregoing resolves to be engrossed. The House refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. Walsh of Thomaston the House reconsidered the vote whereby it referred the petition of Albert Gould and others to the Committee on Division of Counties, and ordered the same to be filed with the papers in relation to a change in the town town of Lincoln County. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, ordered that a message be sent to the Governor requesting him to return to this House if not signed by him the bill respecting the discipline of the State Prison.

The Clerk was charged with & conveyed the message.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting the bill requested in the order of Mr. Johnson.

On motion of Mr. Tilton of Rockland the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed Bill an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison to be enacted, and also on his motion reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. Mr. Tilton then moved to amend the bill as per sheet to, and the bill and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. Sweet from the Committee on Insane Hospitals on report of the Trustees and Superintendants of the

Insane Hospital reported a resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company, reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The same gentleman from the same Committee made the following reports on orders relating to amending the thirty third section of the forty ninth Chapter of the Revised Statute.

"Bill an act to amend Chapter forty nine of the Revised Statute."

on petition of Ephraim Mayhew and others to be incorporated by the name of the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company, a.

"Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

on petition of Levi Lord and others for gas company. "Bill an act to incorporate the St. Louis Gas Light Company."

Mr. Brady from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Francis Tibbels and others reported a resolve to transfer the location of Leal's Academy Grant.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Change of Names on sundry petitions, reported a Bill entitled an act to change the names of certain persons.

Mr. Spenser from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Wm Butler



and others reported a Resolvs in aid of building a bridge over the Plug Staff Stream in the County of Somerset.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The Bills were each read twice, and the resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Bill an act to set off the town of Brimfield and townships numbered one and two in the County of Hancock, and annex the same to the County of Penobscot.

Bill an act to enable the inhabitants of Orlan to pay Willard P. White an additional sum for building a bridge.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. They were severally passed to be enacted. Signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to set off certain territory from Mount Vernon and annex it to Readfield. This bill was amended in concurrence and as amended, being reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in relation to townships & Range two.  
This resolve having had two readings and re-  
ported by the Committee on Bills in the Third  
Reading was passed to be engrossed in  
concurrence.

The order introduced yesterday by Mr. Pike of  
Calais relating to holding two sessions a day  
was taken from the table and considered  
and Mr. Gilbert of Bath moved to lay it  
on the table. on this question on motion of  
Mr. Pike of Calais the House ordered the  
Yeas and Nays and being taken the House  
refused to lay the order on the table by Yeas  
24. Nays 91 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs.  
Bateh. Blaindell. Boddy, Carr, Lemell, & Davis  
R.R. Drummend. Gilbert. Hobbs. Marcyes. May-  
bury. Patten. Pierce. A. Pike. J.B. Pike. Rideout  
Rogers Sawyer. A.B. Shaw. Skinner. P. Smith  
Snow. Tibbets. Trussell.

Those who voted in the Negative were. Messrs.  
Arnold. Bailey. Banks. Bram. Bicknells. Bowen  
Buck. Bucknam. S. E. Caldwell. Chick. A. Melark. E. Clark  
Clement. Conant. J. Davis. Deane. J. Drummend. Dunn  
Estes. Fells. Jeph. Fuller. Goodale. J. Hall jr. J. H. Hall. Hanson  
Hussey. Hice. Holt. Johnson. Jones. Judkins. Keen. Le. Kimball  
McKimball. A. Kingsbury. S. Kingsbury. E. Kingsbury. Leighton.  
J. Libby. Longfellow. Long. Maddox. Marshall. Mayes. M<sup>r</sup>  
Hauflin. Menethen. Merrill. Miller. Williams. J. S. Moore  
L. S. Moore. Oliver. Parker. T. Parker. Parsons. Peltingier  
T. W. Pike. Plummers. J. Porter. S. R. Posten. Pratt. Prescott  
Quint. Rannay. Rice. Root. Russell. Sanborn. A. Shaw.  
Shawman. Skinner. W. C. Smith. Spornus. Stanley. Stockbridge

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Stickland, M. E. Swcat. W. H. Swcat. Tapley  
Tilson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wapen, Waterhouse,  
Wicks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury Woodman,

and the order was passed.

Mr. Whitney from the Committee on Incorporation  
of Towns, on remonstrance of John W. Lealduke and  
others, reported reference to the next Legislature,

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile  
Affairs and Insurance, reported legislation inconsistent  
or order relating to foreign insurance Companies

Mr. Stickland from the Committee on State Lands  
and State Roads reported legislation inconsistent or  
order relating to the propriety of selling stampage on  
public lands,

The same gentleman from the same Committee reported  
leave to withdraw on petition of Dr. Adams for a survey  
of a road from Little St. to the Fish river road

Mr. Dumas from the Committee on Agriculture report-  
ed leave to withdraw on petition of A. B. Robinson  
and others for an agricultural School,

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs  
and Insurance on Bill entitled an act additional to an  
act to establish the Cumberland & Oxford Canal Associa-  
tion, reported the Bill that it ought not to pass—

Mr. Gilbert from the Judiciary Committee on order relating  
to an amendment of the 48<sup>th</sup> section of the 113 Chap. of the  
Revised Statutes concerning evidence on the trial of poor  
debtors bonds, reported legislation inconsistent,

Mr Partridge from the same Committee reported legislation independent on order relating to the expediency of permitting libellants to testify in cases of divorce. The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Change of Name, made a final report of said Committee and asking to be discharged. Report accepted.

Order from the Senate in relation to books, pamphlets &c allowed by law to be printed by the Board of Agriculture and the Maine State Agricultural Society.

Order from the Senate to Judiciary Committee relating to amending Sec. 25 Chap. 46 Revised Statutes.

Order to same Committee in relation to amending Chap. 61 of the Revised Statutes concerning contracts of married women.

The foregoing orders were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Wilcox Clerk



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Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Selby of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking  
reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the  
Fardine Bank for reduction of Capital,

Report of the Committee on Claims reporting  
leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Merrill,

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties  
reporting that they had performed all the duties  
required of them and asking to be discharged

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting  
leave to withdraw on petition of J. S. Rogers and others.

Report of the Committee on Treasures Accounts reporting  
leave to withdraw on petition of Selectmen of Eastbrook  
for an abatement of State Tax.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting  
leave to withdraw on petition of E. E. Griffith and others

Report of same Committee reporting leave to withdraw on  
petition of the inhabitants of the town of Falmouth

Report of same Committee reporting legislation inefficient  
on order in relation to legislation on sections 37, 43 & 50  
of Chap. 18 of Revised Statutes.

Report of the Committee on the Militia reporting that  
they have acted upon all matters before them and

asking to be discharged.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting legislative independent order in relation to repeal of sections 35, 36 & 37 of chap 38 of R. S.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of J. B. Hall and others reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the town of Porcupine Isle.

Report of same Committee on petition of W. Lemuel and others reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the town of Somerville.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Bills passed & engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

Petition of Nathaniel Blake in relation to land in number 13 range 6, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and it was referred in concurrence.

Mr. Hussy from the Committee on Indian Affairs on petition of L. B. Burt reported a resolve in favor of Papamogusdely Indians

Mr. Smith from the same Committee on petition of the Penobscot Indians reported a resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians

Mr. Murr from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of G. G. Proctor reported a

resolved in aid of building a bridge across the north branch of Dead river in the County of Franklin.

Mr. Belark from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of John Smith and others reported a bill entitled an act additional to incorporate the proprietors of the Gordon and Pittston Bridge.

Mr. Pike from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to Challenges of jurors reported a bill entitled an act allowing challenges of jurors in civil cases.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on petition of Henry H. Bradburg and others reported a resolve relating to taxes on the towns of Hollis and Dayton.

Mr. Woodman from the same Committee on bill an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society and on resolve in favor of Arletto A. Brown recommended to said Committee reported the bill and the resolve without amendment.

Mr. Woodbury from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of John Pomeroy reported a resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river in township No. 1 Range 2 in the County of Arrowsick.

The foregoing reports were successively read and accepted the bills read twice & the resolves read once and Monday next assigned for the third reading of the bills and the

second reading of the resolves.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Samuel Dobby and others reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance made a final report and asked to be discharged from further service.

Mr. Strickland from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported legislation ineffectual on order of enquiring into the expediency of further legislation relating to trespassers.

Mr. Woodbury from the same Committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Edward Sluys.

Mr. Parsons from the same Committee reported reference to the next legislation on petition of Leander Everett volens for aid to build a road from Karadwan Iron works to Lake Umbagog Lake.

Mr. Pike from the Judiciary Committee on Bill entitled an act to authorize the formation of corporations for manufacturing, mining and mechanical purposes, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The same gentleman from the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges reported leave to withdraw on petition of Asa Hamilton and others for an act of incorporation for a bridge.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Interior Waters reporting reference to the next legis-



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500. Letter on petition of W<sup>m</sup> Sargent and others  
for a Broom at Browns Island.

Mr. Boston from the Judiciary Committee  
reported leave to withdraw on petition of  
William Singer and others.

The same gentleman from the same Committee  
on Bill an act relating to witnesses on trials  
of indictments, reported the bill and that  
it ought not to pass.

Mr. Spooner from the Committee on State Lands  
and State Roads, reported reference to the next  
Legislature on petition of Jack Knights.

The foregoing reports were severally read  
and accepted and sent up for concurrence

Resolved in aid of building a bridge over the  
Hog Staff Stream in the County of Somerset  
This resolve was read twice and on motion of  
Mr. Woodman of Bucksport it was laid on  
the table.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on  
petition of directors of Gardiner Bank, on motion  
of Mr. Hagar of Richmond the House concurred  
and the vote whereby it accepted this report  
in concurrence and recommended it

Sent up for concurrence

Resolved in favor of Westbrook Seminary was  
read twice and on motion of Mr. Merrill  
of Limerick it was laid on the table.

Mr. Poutlip from the Committee on the Judiciary.

on order relating to amending law concerning the election of Assessors and other subordinate officers of cities. reported a bill entitled an act to amend section twenty four of chapter three of the Revised Statutes. relating to the election of Assessors and subordinate officers of cities. Report accepted. Bill read twice and ten o'clock today assigned for its third reading. Reported by the Committee on Bills in the third Reading and having had three several readings was hoped to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence

Bill an act to amend chapter forty nine of the Revised Statutes respecting directors of mutual insurance companies was read three times and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais it was laid on the table.

Petition of the Robbinston Farmers Club praying for an act of Incorporation, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves for the repair of Maltawamkeag Bridge in the County of Piscataway, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Buckleport it was laid on the table. x

Mr. Mays from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges of petition of John A. Loring and others reported a bill entitled an act to amend Chapter 123 of the Special Laws of 1857 relating to the Augusta Iron Bridge Company. Report accepted. Bill read twice and Monday assigned for its third reading.

Mr Buck from the Committee on order relating to Commissioners at Washington made a special report accompanied with a resolve relating to compensation of the Commissioners at Washington, which on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta was laid on the table and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature together with the rules and accompanying papers.

Bill an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Marinus Bank.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Saville Bank.

Three bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Baldwin, Ordered That on and after Monday next the Speaker shall adjourn the House at one o'clock, without a vote if then in session. Read and passed.

Bill an act to amend the thirty ninth section of Chapter three of the Revised Statutes relating to towns.

Resolve in favor of John A. Cleveland.

Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital.

Bill an act to authorize Trustees plantation to raise money for the repairs of roads and bridges in said plantation, commenced as per sheet A on motion of

Mr. Parsons of Curtis Plantation.

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Bill an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to change the name of certain persons

Bill an act to incorporate the St. Louis Gas Light Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having had two readings each and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations amended in concurrence read twice and as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of the Selectmen of Middlebury and others for authority to purchase a bridge, reported a bill entitled an act to authorize the town of Middlebury to purchase or hire a bridge.

Mr. Worthing from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of A. Chase, Lorne and others reported a resolve for the repair of the Military road.



Resoln authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of Piscataquis County, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport it was laid on the table.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. Bill read twice. resoln read once and Monday next assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resoln.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties reporting laws to withdraw on petition of Isaac Reed and others came from the Senate having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. Balch of Waldoborough it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts number three and six in Dresden, was read three times and on motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Phippscot Bank. The above bills being before the House and on their passage to be enacted, they were severally laid on the table on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport.

Mr. Peabody from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to codifying and publishing the

Special laws, reported a resolve relating to the publication of the private and special laws of Maine. Report accepted. Resolves read once, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Gilkey from the Committee on Fisheries on petition of Isaac P. Tibbells and others, reported leave to withdraw. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Waldo Mills Company.

Bill an act additional to ~~an~~ acts incorporating the City of Portland.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association.

Bill an act to authorize a reduction in the capital stock of the Richmond Bank.

Resolve for the conveyance of land to John Corley and Alfred W. Johnson.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison.

Resolve relating to Kansas and Slavery.

Resolve in relation to township L. range two.

Resolve in favor of Wingate Bradley.

Resolve in favor of Nathaniel Henshaw

Resolved in aid of building mills in township number five, range 12.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison. This Bill was amended as per sheet C. on motion of Mr. Fellers of Rockland, and as amended passed to be engrossed,  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved to transfer the location of Calais Academy Grant, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Patten of Fort Fairfield it was laid on the table.

Order relating to species in Banks, introduced by Mr. Pick of Calais, was taken from the table and considered, amendment A. offered by Mr. Prentiss was rejected and the order was refused a passage.

Bill an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Reform School,

Resolved in favor of the Reform School.

The foregoing bills and resolves were taken up

and on motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta Tuesday next was assigned for their consideration.

Order from the Senate to the Judiciary Committee relating to investigating the system of discipline of the State Prison, was read and passed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, George W. Milnes Clerk



Monday March 15. 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dexter of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Order to Committee on Accounts in relation to auditing accounts for printing done under the direction of Maine State Agricultural Society came from the Senate amended as per sheet. and as amended read and passed. Amended in concurrence, and as amended passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, in order directing said Committee to enquire what documents, pamphlets and reports are allowed by law to said Board to have printed at the public expense, came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs in order of enquiry into the expediency of establishing a local auditor to audit the accounts of Indian Agents reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Godfrey Lydick requesting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs reporting finally and asking to be discharged.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings reporting finally and asking to be discharged.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters reporting leave to withdraw on petition of S. A. Morse and others for amendment of charter to Machias Log Driving Company.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns reporting finally and asking to be discharged.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting reference to the next Legislature on order relating to surplus revenue of Madawaska.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of S. L. Boutwell and others to incorporate Jackson Brook plantation into a town.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting reference to the next Legislature on Bill an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland.

These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Generally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Delinquent upon claims of J. B. Hall and Wm W. Bolster reported as resolved in favor of Joseph B. Hall and others.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Another read once and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to set off certain territory from Mount Vernon and annex it to Readfield.

This Bill came from the Senate that branch adhering to the vote whereby it amended and indefinitely postponed the bill. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. The bill was returned to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges on Bill an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads. reporting the bill, came from the Senate the bill amended as per sheet A.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of Alexander Johnson and 36 others for a Bank at Wiscasset. reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Wawenock Bank.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Benajah Dew reporting a Bill entitled an act to set off certain territory from Paris to Woodstock.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the Bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act regulating the laying of costs additional to Chap. 116 of the Revised Statutes. Laid on the table by Mr Deane of Portland and under the rule lies over till tomorrow.

Mr Strickland from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported legislation inefficient

on order for a survey of the line between Maine and New Hampshire.

Mr. Munroe from the Committee on State Printing made a final report and asked to be discharged from further service.

The above reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hall from the Committee on Agriculture on petitions of J. L. Reynolds and others, reported a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Robbinston Farmers Club.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on Bill an act relating to the dispositions of parties reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Pike from same Committee on order in relation to amending Sec 25 of Chapter of the Revised Statutes reported a bill entitled an act to amend Chapter forty six of the Revised Statutes relative to demands on stockholders of corporations.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on order relating to actions of review, reported a bill entitled an act relating to reviews.

Mr. Woodman from the same Committee, on Bill an act to amend Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court, reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The same gentleman from the same Committee on Bill an act to amend section eleven of



Chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes, reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. French from the same Committee on orders relating to the rights of divorced parties reported a bill entitled an act additional to Chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes.

Mr. Marshall from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order of enquiry in relation to defining more distinctly the duties of Receivers of Banks, reported a Bill entitled an act additional to Chapter fifty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to banks & banking.

Mr. Hagan from the Committee consisting of the delegation from Sagadahoc County on order of enquiry into the expediency of increasing the salary of the Judge of Probate and the Register of Probate for the County of Sagadahoc reported a bill entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judge of Probate and the Register of Probate for the County of Sagadahoc.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Mr. Porter from the Committee which was directed to ascertain and report when the Legislature may adjourn reported that the Legislature may adjourn finally on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst. The report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta

Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire what amendment if any of Sec. 20, Chap. 80 of the Revised Statutes is necessary and report by bill or otherwise.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Waterford, ordered that after today the morning session of this House shall commence at half past nine o'clock and the afternoon session at half past two, and the Speaker shall adjourn the House in the morning session at half past twelve o'clock. Read and passed.

Bill an act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta.

Bill an act to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Millbridge harbor.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lincoln Bank.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Pomfret.

The above bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Timothy Gibson and others in relation to pension granted to William Poor Jr was referred to a special Committee to consist of

former committee on Military Pensions who  
have been excused from further service.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in aid of building a bridge across the  
north branch of Dead river in the County of  
Franklin.

Resolved in favor of Papamogusdy Indians.

Resolved relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis & Dayton.

Bill an act additional to act incorporating the  
proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridges.

Bill an act to amend Chapter one hundred and  
twenty three of the special laws of 1857 relating to  
the Augusta Free Bridge Company.

Bill an act to amend Chapter one hundred and  
four of the Revised Statutes respecting the limitation  
of real actions.

Bill an act to authorize the town of Millbridge to  
purchase or hire a bridge.

The foregoing resolves having each had two sev-  
eral readings, and the bills having each had  
three several readings and reported by the  
Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were  
severally passed to be engrossed and sent up  
for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Prigun  
Me. Read twice, amendment proposed as per  
Short A. Bill and amendment laid on the

table and tomorrow assigned for their consideration.

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Resoln for the repair of the Military road, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Burbank of Leicester laid on the table and this afternoon at half past two assigned for its consideration.

Resoln for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river in township Number one range 2 in the County of Arrostock, was read twice and Thursday next at half past nine o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Resoln in favor of Westbrook Seminary, was taken up and considered and on motion of Mr. Mann of Limerick it was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Resoln in favor of the Penobscot Indians was read twice and on motion of Mr. Perle of Lewell it was laid on the table.

Resoln in relation to trespassers upon the public lands, came from the Senate that branch having adhered to the vote whereby it passed the resoln to be engrossed as amended. on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the House decided and concurred with the Senate in adopting amendment A. and then passed the resoln as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to abolish punishment by death was taken up, considered and on motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner it was laid on the table and Wednesday



next assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. Woodbury of Houlton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Saturday passed to be engrossed Bill an act to amend the 39<sup>th</sup> section of Chap. 3 of Revised Statute relating to towns, and the motion was laid on the table and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Resoln in favor of Madawaska Manor and Van Buren plantations being on its official postage was on motion of Mr. Merrill of Williamstown laid on the table.

Adjourned until half past two o'clock. P. M.

Half past two. P. M. met according to adjournment.

Mr. Spenser from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Wm W. Stevens for a road from Lexington to Dead river reported a Resoln in aid of building road and bridge in township No. 2 in the second range west of Kennebec river in the County of Somerset. Report accepted. resoln read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Resoln in relation to Township 4, Range two. This resoln came from the Senate having been amended by striking out the words "six thousand and five hundred" and inserting instead the words "five thousand". The House voted to insist on its former vote by which it passed the resoln to be engrossed and proposed a conference of the two houses of the Legislature and Messrs. Pike of Calais, Spenser of New Portland

and Miller of Portland were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

Bill an act allowing challenges of jurors in civil cases. This bill being under consideration and on its passage to be engrossed, it was on motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes relating to the destruction of moose and deer. was taken up and having had three several readings was proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act in relation to the South American Agricultural Society. This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta announced the presence of Mr. Barton member elect from Windsor and moved that he be accompanied to the Governor and Council's Chamber to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon his official duties. Mr. Johnson was appointed by the Speaker to accompany Mr. Barton to the Council Chamber.

Resolved in favor of Arletta A. Brown. This resolve was read twice and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Folsby from the Judiciary Committee on Bills

an act concerning the liabilities of owners of buildings used for public assemblies reported the Bill and that it ought not to pass.

Resolow authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the County of Piscataquis was taken from the table and considered, and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais the resolow was recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads with instructions as per sheet A. sheet annexed  
Sent up for concurrence

Resolow for the repair of the Houlton road. This resolow having had two readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third reading was passed to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolow in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary, was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport tomorrow at 12 past ten o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Lewis river.

Bill an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Maninus' Bank

The above bills having each had thus several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills and truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted. Signed by the Speaker

and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to Chapter one hundred  
and thirty six of the Revised Statutes for  
the collection and disposal of fines and  
costs in criminal cases, was taken up and  
on motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco was amend-  
ed as per sheet A, annexed and as  
amended passed to be engrossed,  
Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest, George M. Milnes Clerk.



Tuesday March 16. 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ammitage of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of E. D. Prescott and others reporting a Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Sandy river Boom and Log Driving Company.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order in relation to requiring innkeepers to keep suitable ladders and fire escapes. reporting a Bill entitled an act to provide for the greater security of travellers and lodgers at inns during fires.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of Joseph Murawig and others reporting a Bill entitled an act to amend chapter forty. Section fifty three of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of Fish from Mearns Lake.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on petition of T. W. Marshall and others reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Mark Crofton jr. reporting a bill entitled an act to authorize Lincolnton plantation to raise money to repair roads in said plantation.

Report of same Committee on petition of John Gardner and others reporting a bill entitled an act

to incorporate the Maine Granite Company

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of William Jameson and Samuel A. Gilman, reporting a resolve in favor of William Jameson and others, and of Samuel A. Gilman and others.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bills and resolves proposed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice. Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Seaview Institution for Savings came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Referred in concurrence.

Bill an act making further provisions in equity came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting a resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve proposed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and laid on the table on motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of Towns on petition of Caleb Edwards and others reporting a bill entitled an act to set off certain lands

from Poland and annex the same to Kansas.  
This report came from the Senate having been  
read and accepted and the bill passed to be  
engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence.  
Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Mayberry  
of Kansas it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs  
on petition of Papamoguddy Indians reporting  
a resolve in favor of the Papamoguddy Indians  
came from the Senate having been read and  
accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.  
Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read  
over and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting  
legislation ineffectual in order in relation to the  
decisions of the courts being prepared and  
published by the Supreme Judicial Court.

Report of same Committee asking further time  
in which to make a final report.

Report of the Committee on Railroads Ways and  
Bridges reporting finally and asking to be dis-  
charged.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting fi-  
nally and asking to be discharged.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures reporting  
finally and asking to be discharged.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having  
been read and accepted. They were severally  
read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Columbus Crockett. This resolve came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur with the House in passing the resolve to be engrossed, and then indefinitely postponing the resolve. The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, proposed a conference of the two Houses and appointed Messrs. Loring of Guilford, Snow of Atkinson, and Bicknell of Augusta Conferees on the part of the House.

Mr. Bordy from the Committee of Conference on Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the West Gardiner Academy, reported that the conferees were not able to agree and recommending to the House to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the Bill. Report accepted, and the report was sent to the Senate.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta reported to the House that he had accompanied Stephen Barton Esq. representative elect from Windsor to the Council Chamber where he had taken and subscribed the oaths of office required by law to enable him to enter upon his official duties.

Bill an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick, reported by the Committee on Bills, in the third reading with amendments, read three times and on motion of Mr. Bordy of Brunswick it was laid on the table.

Mr. Munro and Mr. Parsons from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in petition of Samuel A. Gilman and others made a minority report, with a resolve accompanying



ing entitled a resolve relating to the sale of the public lands. Report accepted. resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act regulating the taxing of costs, additional to Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes was taken up read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Buxton of Haver, ordered that the Judiciary Committee be requested to inquire into the expediency of altering section 13 of Chap 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to costs of jury in laying out ways.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Ipswich ordered that the gentleman who took from the desk of the reporter for the Age, a copy of the Revised Statutes, be respectfully requested to return the same immediately. Read and passed.

Bill an act to incorporate the Haverstock Bank. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Robbinston Farmers Club. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the East Maine Conference

Seminary was taken up and considered and the question being on its passage to be engrossed. Mr. Pike of Topsfield moved that when the question is taken it be taken by Yeas and Nays and the House ordered Mr. Bicknell of Augusta moved and the House ordered that the vote upon the matter be taken at their clock this afternoon and the matter was pending when the House adjourned.

Adjourned to half past two P.M.

Met according to adjournment.

Resolved in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary was on motion of Mr. Munn of Simsbury amended as per sheet A. and as amended being on its passage to be engrossed Mr. Drummond of Winstow moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve and Mr. Pike of Topsfield moved and the House ordered that question be taken by Yeas and Nays and being so taken the resolve was indefinitely postponed by Yeas 67 Nays 64 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Bates, Bean, Bicknell, Blair, Brown, Buck, Buxton, Sphenach, Child, Cleland, Leavell, Cunningham, Clement, Coffin, R.R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fop, Gidley, J.E. Hall, Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Jones, C.A. Kimball, Kestnabald, N. Kingsburg, S. Kingsburg, Knapp, Leighton, C. Edw. J. Libby, Madder, Maybury, Mitchell, Nutting, Oliver

J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, B. F. Parks, T. Parks  
Pierkins Pierce, H. Pike, Plummer, S. B. Porter  
Pratt, Ridout, Rock Rogers Scribner Spenser  
Stanby W. H. Sweat, Wadlin, Walsh Water-  
house, Wing, York

Those who voted in the Negative were Mapes  
Arnold, Brody, Brown, Birckin, Burland  
A. H. Clark, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drumm-  
mond, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gilbert  
Gundale, Hagan, J. Hall, Hanson, Husey  
Hild Johnson, Jenkins, G. A. Kimball, Long-  
fellow, Loring, Maney, Marshall, Merrick  
Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. B. Morse, L. S. Moore  
Morrison, Parker, Parsons, Patten, Perry, Pettin-  
gill, T. A. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Parnitp  
Quint, Ranney, Rice, Rouse, Sully, Sergeant  
Sawyer, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, Stock-  
bridge, M. E. Swift, Tapley, Tillson, Trappes  
Napier, Neils, Wheeler Whitney, Woodman

and the motion was sent to the Senate for concurrence

Resolved relating to Kansas Affairs, These re-  
solved having had two several readings and  
passed to be engrossed and reported by the  
committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and  
strictly engrossed, were finally passed,  
signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate

Resolved in favor of Westbrook Seminary.  
This motion was taken up and the question  
being on the passage of the motion to be engrossed  
the House ordered the question to be taken by  
Yeas and Nays and being so taken the motion  
was refused a yeas by Yeas 38 Nays 88.

Those who voted in the Affirmation were Messrs.  
Arnold, Bailey, Bondy, Buck, Bendix, Burland  
& A. H. Clark, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drum-  
mond, Fisher, French, Gilbert, Hogan, J. E.  
Hall, Hanson, Johnson, Longfellow, Loring  
Merrick, Miller, Millican, J. L. Moor, Morrison  
Parker, Patten, J. Post, Ramsay, Rice, Sawyer  
B. Smith, Snow, Stockbridge, Tilton, Weeks  
Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs.  
Andrews, Balch, Bean, Bicknell, Blairden  
Boman, Burton, E. H. Chadbourne, Childs, E. Clark  
Conwell, Cunningham, Clement, R. D. Munroe  
Dunn, Estes, Field, Flyn, Fox, Fuller, Gidney  
Goodale, J. Hall, Hale, Haring, Hill, Hobbs, Holt  
Ingalls, Jones, Jackson, Keim, C. Kimball, G. C.  
Kimball, H. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury  
Knapp, L. Libby, J. Libby, Maddox, Mungy, J.  
Marshall, Mayberry, Merrick, Mitchell, L. B.  
Moore, Nutting, Oliver, L. Palmer, W. H. Palmer  
B. F. Parks, J. Parker, Parsons, Percy Perkins  
Pittenger, Pierce, J. A. Pike, H. Pike, J. B. Pike  
Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Smith, Smith  
Ridgely, Road, Rogers, Sully, Scomb, Sergeant  
& A. B. Shaw, Smead, Skillin, Skinner, W. C.  
Smith, Spenser, Stanley, M. E. Swift, Tappan  
Wadlin, Walsh, Warner, Waterman, Wheeler  
Whitney, Wing, York.

and the matter was  
sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to certain events in the  
history of Lincoln, amended as per sheet A  
on motion of Mr. Hogan of Richmond and as  
amended passed to be engrossed, Sent up for



Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to authorize certain cities and towns to grant aid in the construction and completion of the Kennebec and Portland Railroad. This bill was taken up next the third time and on motion of Mr. Boddy of Brunswick it was laid on the table.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank.

Bill an act to amend section twenty four of Chapter three of the Revised Statute relating to the election of Clerks and subordinate officers of courts.

Resolved in favor of John McCuskey

Resolved in relation to tickpapers on the public lands.

Resolved in favor of the Insane Hospital.

Resolved in favor of John A. Cleveland

The above bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having each had two several readings and each passed to be

engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed: the bills were each passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

Attest, George W. Milnes Clerk

Wednesday March 17 1858

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith of Lockport.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills an act in relation to costs in criminal prosecutions before magistrates.

Bills an act in relation to costs in civil cases

These bills came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary they were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Reform School reporting finally and asking to be discharged came from the Senate read and accepted Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolves authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the County of Potomac this resolve came from the Senate that branch refusing to concur with the House in recommending the same with instructions as per that A. and then indefinitely postponing the resolve. on motion of Mr. Merrick of Williamsburg it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Claims on claims of the treasurers of several towns for bounty paid on wild animals reporting a resolve in favor of the treasurers of the towns of Pictus Stonchum and Clifton also A. Sprosser.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of

Found reporting a bill entitled an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotville. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill and resolu passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, resolu read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resolu.

Petition of Chailes L. Clapp and others of Portland for an act of incorporation for a Hotel Company was presented by Mr. Brown of Portland with a Bill accompanying. the petition was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company. Laid on the table by Mr. Brown of Portland. Rules suspended. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the North American Land Company. Laid on the table by Mr. Bondy of Brunswick and under the rule lie over one day.

Mr. Fisher from the Committee on Fisheries in order relating to repeal of certain sections of Chapter 140 of the Revised Statute, reported a Bill entitled an act to amend the fortieth Chapter of the Revised Statute relating to Fisheries.

Mr. Marshall from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of the President, Directors and Company of the Mercantile Bank, reported a bill entitled an act to revise and extend the charter of the Mercantile Bank at Bangor.



Mr. Deane from the Committee on Education on petition of inhabitants of school district No. 15 in Parkman, reported a bill entitled an act to make valid the doings of school district No. 15 in the town of Parkman.

Mr. Murchale from the Committee on Banks and Banking on Bill an act to amend sections fifty and fifty four of chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks and Banking reported the bill and that it ought to pass. The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. Bills each read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act to authorize Simonsen plantation to raise money to repair roads in said plantation.

Bill an act to set off certain territory from Paris to Woodstock.

Bill an act to incorporate the Main Granite Company

Bill an act to amend chapter forty section fifty three of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of fish from Murchhead Lake.

The above bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrences.

Resolves in favor of Simonsen Academy. Laid on the table by Mr. Mum of Simonsen. Rules suspended. Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for their second

reading thereof.

Bill an act additional to Chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks and Banking

Bill an act to increase the salaries of the Judge of Probate and of the Register of Probate in the County of Sagadahoc.

Bill an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads amended in concurrence, and further amended as per sheet B. sheet amended.

Bill an act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company. amended as per sheet A on motion of Mr. Marshall of Belfast.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bill an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ricknell of Augusta the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole. Mr. Pike of Calais in the Chair and took up his an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads, and considered the same. On motion of Mr. Woodman of Berdport the Committee rose and the Chairman reported to the House recommending the adoption of amendment marked A. and also to amend by striking out the ninth section. The Speaker resumed the Chair and the House adjourned to half past two o'clock this afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petition of inhabitants of Seaboard for bye laws. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Joseph W. Dyer and others reporting a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and New York Steam Ship Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the Bill.

Resolved in favor of William Jameson and others and Samuel A. Gilman and others. This resolve having had two readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Parks from South Berwick and Mr. Batchelder from Kenduskeag asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to have their names recorded in the Register on the vote whereby the House on Friday last passed to be engrossed. Resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery and Resolves relating to Kansas Affairs.

Mr. Burston asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to have his vote recorded in the Register on the vote by which the House on Friday last passed to be engrossed. Resolves relating to Kansas Affairs.

Resolves in relation to settling accounts with Proboscet Indians and Sapamaguddy Indians laid on the table by Mr. Buck of Orono and under the rule lies over until tomorrow.

Bills an act to incorporate the Sandy River Bridge and Log Driving Company. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills an act regulating the taxation of costs, additional to Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes. This Bill on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland was amended as per sheet A.

Bills an act to amend Chapter forty six of the Revised Statutes, relative to demand on stockholders of corporations. These bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed Sent up for concurrence.



Bill an act to amend the thirty ninth section of Chapter three of the Revised Statutes relating to towns. This bill came from the Senate that branch having refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and then indefinitely postponing it. The House received from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and concurred with the Senate in indefinitely postponing the bill.

Bill an act to incorporate the Warensack Bank. This Bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of David Brown and 156 others for a law to diminish litigation and to reduce the expenses of the same was referred to a joint select committee consisting of seven on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join. Messrs. Rice of Hampden French of Dummerston, Tapley of Saco. Meach of Lincoln. Banks of Bideford. Knapp of Ea. Livermore. Chadbourne of Standish were appointed said committee on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Parris from the Committee on the Judiciary on order of enquiry into the expediency of passing further laws to prevent hog stealing, reported legislation inexpedient. Report accepted.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barbauld of Leicester the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, Mr. Barbauld in the Chair and took up bills an act to

secure the safety and convenience of travellers  
on Railroads, and considered the same, on  
motion of Mr. Woodman of Buckeport, the  
committee rose. The Speaker took the Chair  
and the Committee through its Chairman re-  
ported that the Committee had read the bill  
under consideration and had made no  
definite progress. The House amended the  
bill as per Shurt A. and also by striking out  
the ninth section being the amendments  
recommended by the Committee of the Whole  
and further amended as per Shurt B. on  
motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, and further  
amended as per Shurt C. on motion of Mr.  
Gilbert of Bath and on motion of Mr.  
Gilbert the bill was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Presque  
Isle was taken up and considered and on  
motion of Mr. Woodbury of Houlton it was  
laid on the table.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Wilcox Clerk.

Thursday March 18. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Brown of Augustus

Papers from the Senate.

Resolves in favor of Columbus Crockett. This resolve came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and the Resolve was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Special Committee to which was referred an order in relation to the expediency of changing the constitution so as to alter the time of holding State Elections. This report came from the Senate having been made by a majority of said Committee, and read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolves in aid of Justice Fay. This resolve came from the Senate recommending both Committee on State Lands and State Roads. The House needed and concurred with the Senate in recommending the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of Bangor Alderbrook and Milford Railroad, reporting a Bill entitled an act additional to incorporate the Bangor Alderbrook & Milford Railroad Company.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petitions of Rufus Dornall

J. W. Bradley and Hanson Knowles reporting  
a resolve in favor of Rufus Swinall. Daniel  
W. Bradley and Hanson Knowles.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking  
on petition of the Directors of the Long Beach  
Bank, reporting a bill entitled an act ad-  
ditional to an act to incorporate the Long  
Beach Bank.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on  
order relating to change of law concerning the  
mode of packing and marking paper, re-  
porting bill entitled an act to amend  
section 23 of Chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate  
having been read and accepted and the bills  
and resolves passed to be engrossed. Reports  
accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice  
and resolves read once and tomorrow signed  
for the third reading of the bills and the sec-  
ond reading of the resolves.

Bill an act to amend sections fifty and fifty  
four of Chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes  
relating to Banks and Banking.

Bill an act to amend the fourth chapter of  
the Revised Statutes, relating to Fisheries.

Bill an act to make valid the divisions of school  
district No. 15 in the town of Parkman. The  
above bills having each had three several readings and  
reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were  
separately passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.



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Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and New  
York Steam Ship Company. This bill having  
had three several readings and reported by the  
Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was  
passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the St Lewis Gas  
Light Company.

Bill an act to authorize Simsbury plantation to raise  
money to repair roads in said plantation—

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Granite Company

Bill an act to amend chapter forty section fifty three  
of the Revised Statute relating to the taking of  
fish from Moosehead Lake.

Resolves relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis and  
Dayton.

Resolves in favor of the Papamoguddy Indians

The foregoing bills having had three several readings  
each, and the resolves having had two several readings  
each, and each of the bills and resolves passed to  
be engrossed and reported by the Committee on  
Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed,  
the bills were severally passed to be enacted,  
the resolves were severally finally passed, and  
they were each signed by the Speaker and sent  
to the Senate.

Resolves in favor of the taxpayers of the towns of  
Bethel, Stanham and Clifton also, &c. &c. &c. This  
resolve having had two several readings and reported

by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading  
was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence,  
Adjourned to half past two o'clock, P.M.

Not according to adjournment.

Bill an act to secure the safety and convenience  
of travellers on railroads. This bill was taken from  
the table on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta  
and on motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner, the  
bill was further amended as per sheet D. and  
the bill being upon its passage to be engrossed  
and the House having ordered that question  
taken by Yeas and Nays on motion of Mr.  
Field of Danville it was so taken and the  
Bill was passed to be engrossed by Yeas 79  
Nays 51 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs  
Andrews Arnold Balch Banks Bean Bicknell  
Borody Brown Buxton S. J. Chodolmon, Chick, S. H. Cleland  
Colebatch Cunningham, Coffin, J. Davis, R. H. Drummond  
Flynn, F. F. French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilling, Hagau, J. Hall,  
Hanson, Hays, Hiss Johnson Jones Judkins Keown  
T. W. Kimball, A. Kingsbury, L. R. Kingsbury, Lighthouse  
C. E. Libby, Manly, Marshall, Maybury, Menzie  
Mitchell, J. D. Moore, Morrison, Nutter, Oliver  
W. H. Palmer, T. Parker, Parsons, Patton Percy Per-  
kins Pierce, H. P. Pike, J. R. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter  
Potts, Quinn, Rogers, Russell, Sager, Santons,  
Sargent, Sawyer, Swannum, B. Smith, M. E. Smith  
W. H. Smith, Tapley, Tibbitts, Tilden, Timpson, Wapner  
Wicks, Wheeler Whitney Wing Woodbury.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs, Bailey  
Batchelder, Blaisdell, Bonow, Brick, Bucknall

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542. Burbank, H. W., Chadbourn, Clement, E. Davis, Deane  
J. H. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Felt, Fordale, J. C.  
Hall, Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Kesteven, S.  
Kingsley, Lams, Libbey, Loring, Macdonald, May's  
Miller, Milliken, L. S. Miron, J. Palmer, Pettigrew  
T. L. Pike, S. R. Porter, Poutip, Rannay, Rice, Reed  
A. B. Shew, Skelton, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Spornus  
Stanley, Stockbridge, Stockland, Wadlin, Walst  
Waltchman, Woodman.

and the bill was put  
to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee  
reported favor to withdrawal on petition of Isaac  
Studevant

Mr. Tapley from the same committee on petition  
of Isaac Studevant made a minority report  
granting leave to said petitioner to bring in a Bill  
entitled an act to amend the Charter of the  
Lumbland Marine Railway Company and  
the act incorporating the Franklin Manufacturing

On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco the foregoing re-  
ports were laid on the table and then hundred  
and fifty copies of the bill ordered to be printed  
for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 142 of the  
Revised Statutes relating to the Reform School.

Resolved in favor of the Reform School. The  
foregoing bill and motion were taken from the  
table and on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland  
tomorrow morning at half past ten o'clock a quorum  
for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Bradford ordered  
that the claims of the Town of Charleston for bounty  
paid on wild animals be taken from the  
files and referred to the Committee on Claims  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the Treasurer of the town of  
Leeds, laid on the table by Mr. Foy of Leeds, and  
under the rule lies over until tomorrow.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on the Ju-  
diciary reported legislation inexpedient in order  
in relation to contracts of Married Women.  
Also on order in relation to closing proceedings  
before County Commissioners. Report accepted.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Peto from the Judiciary Committee to which was  
recommitted. Report of said Committee ordered  
in relation to costs in criminal prosecutions,  
with instructions to report a bill, reported. Bill  
entitled an act relative to fines and costs of  
criminal prosecutions. Report accepted. Bill read  
twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to set off certain lands from Poland  
and annex the same to Leasco

Bill an act to make valid the proceedings of school  
districts number three and six in Dresden -

The above bills having each had their several  
readings and reported by the Committee  
on Bills in the Final Reading were generally  
passed to be engrossed in concurrence.



Bill an act relating to executions against sheriffs.

Bill an act to amend chapter one hundred and five of the Revised Statutes respecting the limitation of real actions,

Bill an act to authorize the town of Middlebury to purchase or hire a bridge.

Bill an act additional to chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes relating to the destruction of moose and deer.

Bill an act to authorize Custer plantation to raise money for the repair of roads and bridges in said plantation.

Resolve for the repair of the Military Road.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across the North Branch of Dead River in the County of Franklin.

Resolve in favor of Stephen S. Goddard.

The foregoing bills having each had their several readings and the resolves having each had two several readings and each passed the engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to incorporate the city of Brunswick  
This bill was amended as per sheets at PB and

as amended having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of William Jamison and others and Samuel A. Gilman and others, on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the House reconsidered the vote whereby it yesterday passed the resolves to be engrossed and on motion Mr. Spooner of New Portland the resolves was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the minority of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Samuel A. Gilman and others, was taken from the table and accepted. The Resolves accompanying as follows. Resolves relating to the sale of the public lands, was amended as per sheet A and as amended on motion of Mr. Parsons of Curtis Plantation it was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotville was taken up and considered and laid on the table and tomorrow signed for its consideration

Bill an act for the preservation of trout and pickernill in the waters of the Sebago Lake, Brandywine Long pond and Hooked river and their tributary streams in the County of Cumberland, was amended as per sheet A on motion of Mr. Whiting of Raymond and as amended having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence.

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Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on Bill  
entitled an act making further provisions in equity  
reported the bill and that it ought not to pass  
Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Prentiss from the Committee on the Judiciary in order  
of inquiry into the necessity of amending Chapter 67  
of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill entitled an  
act additional to Chapter sixty seven of the Revised  
Statutes. Report accepted. Bill read twice and to-  
morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Militia on so much  
of the Governor's message as relates to the Militia re-  
specting bill entitled an act additional to Chap-  
ter ten of the Revised Statutes relating to the Militia.  
This report came from the Senate having been  
read and accepted, and the bill passed & be-  
ing engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill  
read twice and tomorrow assigned for its  
third reading.

Resolved in favor of Penobscot Indians was taken  
up and considered and Mr. Porter of Lowell  
moved the indefinite postponement of the  
motion and pending this question the House  
adjourned.

Attest George W. Wilson Clerk

Friday, March 19, 1858.

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augustus.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act additional to chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes.

Bill an act additional to an act approved February 17<sup>th</sup> 1858 altering the time for holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln. This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Treasurers Accounts reporting finally and asking to be discharged.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting reference to the next Legislature on order relating to the modification or simplification of forms in civil or criminal process.

Report of same Committee making same report on order relating to reducing the expenses of the Judiciary system.

Report of the Committee on Accounts on order directing them to audit and allow what they may deem equitable on the accounts for printing (now before them) for the Maine State Agricultural Society. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.



Bill an act relating to certain courts in the County of Lincoln, amended in concurrence with the Senate as per sheet B.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Long Beach Bank.

The above bills were severally read three times, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves in relation to township L. range two. This resolve came from the Senate that branch having receded and amended the resolve so that it shall read "six thousand" instead of "six thousand five hundred" and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House receded from its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed and amended it in concurrence with the Senate and as amended passed the resolve in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Lands and State Roads on order for survey of line between Maine and New Hampshire. This report came from the Senate that branch amended by giving leave to bring in a resolve, entitled, Resolve providing for surveying and marking the line of the State between Maine and New Hampshire and as amended the Senate accepted the report and the resolve passed to be engrossed. The House reconsidered the vote accepting the report, amended it in concurrence and as amended accepting it. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot

Indians. This resolve was read twice and on motion of Mr. Conroy of Wins it was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of the Papamaquoddy Indians was read twice and on motion of Mr. Pike of Calais. the resolve was indefinitely postponed  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in Court.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes respecting directors of Mutual Insurance Companies.

Bill an act to revise and extend the Charter of the Mercantile Bank at Bangor.

Resolve in aid of repairing a road and building bridge in township No. 2 in the second range west of Kennebec River in the County of Somerset.

Resolve for the repair of roads in Letter B. R. 1.

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river in township No. 1 Range 2 in the County of Arrowsick.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Bayron of Haverhill recommended the vote whereby the House on yesterday passed to be engrossed Bill an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick. The House rejected the motion.

Report of the Committee on Accounts on order directing them to audit and allow what they may deem equitable on the accounts for printing (now before them) for the Maine State Agricultural Society. on motion of Mr. Nagas of Richmond the House recommended the vote whereby it accepted this report and recommitted it. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company. This bill came from the Senate that branch having refused to pass the bill to be engrossed and then indefinitely postponing it. The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature and appointed Messrs. Penick of Bangor, Miller of Portland and Rice of Hallowell conferees on the part of the House.

Petition of George W. Pickering and others for the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company, presented by Mr. Penick of Bangor and on his motion referred to the conferees on Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to reduce the Capital Stock of the City Bank of Bath

Bill an act to set off certain territory from

Paris to Woodstock.

Bill an act to amend Chapter one hundred  
twenty three of the Special Laws of 1857. re-  
lating to the Augusta Sew Bridge Company

The foregoing bills having each had three several  
readings and passed to be engrossed, and  
reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills  
as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally  
passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker  
and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 142 of  
the Revised Statutes relating to the Reform School

Resolved in favor of the Reform School.

This bills and resolves were considered and on  
motion of Mr. Pike of Calais laid on the table.

Adjourned to half past ten o'clock this afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill an act to make valid the proceedings of school  
districts number three and six in Dresden.

Bill an act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings  
Institution.

Bill an act to incorporate the Sandy River Power  
and Log Driving Company.

Bill an act to set off certain lands from Poland  
and annex the same to Otisfield—



Bill an act to amend chapters six & eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places.

Bill an act relating to certain courts in the County of Lincoln.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and New York Steamship Company.

Resolves in favor of the treasurers of the towns of Bethel, Stratham & Clifton also of St. Spomer.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having had two several readings and the bills and resolves having severally been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted the resolves finally passed and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

An motion of Mr. Merrill of Williamsburg, decided that the Land Agent be directed to insert in his next annual report a schedule showing the amount paid out in each County for roads bridges, schools mills or for any other improvement or purpose connected with the sale or settlement of the public's lands. Also the amount of lands granted by the State in aid of literary institutions in the several Counties. Also the amount received for lands timber grove &c from the territorial limits of each County from 1820 to 1858 inclusive so far as may be shown from the books in the Land's office, Sent up

for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Rumford. Ordered that the claim of the Treasurer of the town of Rumford for bounty paid on wild animals be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Houlton. Ordered that the claim of the Treasurer of the town of Houlton for bounty paid on wild animals be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill an act relating to fines and costs of criminals from citations, was taken up and considered. Mr. French of Damariscotta moved to amend as per sheet A. Mr. Burbank of Lewiston moved to amend as per sheet B. and on motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Oxford. Ordered that the use of this Hall be granted to William Atkinson this evening by his request to speak upon the justice and propriety of enacting certain statutes. Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Richmond of Cumberland. Ordered that when this House adjourns tomorrow at half past twelve o'clock it adjourns to meet on Monday morning at ten o'clock. Read and passed.

Mr. Pike of Calais moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the foregoing order was passed, and on this motion on motion of Mr. Hill of Sullivan

the House ordered the Yeas and Nays and being taken the House reconsidered the vote passing the order by Yeas 63 Nays 63 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Bailey Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Boddy, Brown, Buck, Bicknam, Burton, Chick, McElan, E. Elan, Clement Coffin, J. R. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Field, J. Hall, Hanson, Hiss, Hobbs, Hild Johnson, Watkins, C. W. Kimball, McKimball, Lighter, Lobbey, Loring, Marshall, Maybury, Mays, Merrill, Mew, Morrison, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, J. Parker, Parsons, Patten, Percy, Pettengill, F. A. Pick, J. Porter, Pratt, Puntopp, Rackerhoff, Ramo, Roak, Rowell, Sall, Sargent, Schmidt, W. C. Smith, Snow, Strickland, M. E. Swift, Tapley, Tillam, Walsh, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Balchelder, Blair, Blaisdel, Bowen, Brackett, Buxton, McElhadbourne, S. McElhadbourne, Cunningham, Leonard, E. Davis, J. Davis, Dean, Dorr, Fisher, Flye, Fols, French, Gilbert, Kiley, Goddard, Nagas, J. E. Hall, Hale, Ingalls, Jones, Kane, E. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, J. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, L. E. Libby, Maddox, Mayes, Thurman, L. S. Myers, Nutting, Oliver, Perkins, Rice, A. Pick, J. B. Pick, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Quint, Rideout, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skinner, Spomer, Stanley, Stockbridge, W. H. Swift, Tibbels, Trumbull, Wallis, Walcutt, Weeks, York

On motion of Mr. Parsons of Embury plantation the order was then indefinitely postponed.

Bill an act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company

Bill an act additional to chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to Banks & Banking,

Bill an act to set off certain lands from Poland and annex the same to Leasco.

Bill an act to incorporate the Robinsonston Farmus Club.

The above bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, they were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolves in favor of Lincoln's Academy. This resolve having had two readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee to which was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the traffic in intoxicating liquors, and on the petition of Maria Cornelia D. Dow and 1937 other women and sundry other petitions, reporting a bill entitled an act to restrain and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors. This Report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheets A & B and as amended passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tomorrow at ten o'clock assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Remonstrance of Joseph E. J. and 59 others of the town



of Gotham, against the enactment of the bill for the suppression of the liquor traffic as reported by the Committee and praying for the adoption of the law of 1853 amended in regard to libelling liquors so it may conform to the decision of our courts, presented by Mr. Hall of Gotham and on his motion was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on that subject.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School.

Resolved in favor of the Reform School. The above bill and resolution were taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Deane of Portland tomorrow at half past ten o'clock was assigned for their consideration.

Bill an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts number three and six in Dresden, on motion of Mr. Hagan of Richmond the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed this bill to be enacted.

On motion of Mr. Hagan of Richmond, Ordered that a message be sent to the Senate requesting it to return to this House a Bill entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts number 3 and 6 in Dresden if in its possession.

Adjourned.

Attest George M. Wilcox Clerk

Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup> 1858.

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The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and presided during the choir of a speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Belfast, Ordered that in the absence of the Speaker, Washington Gilbert of Bath be declared Speaker pro tem. Read and passed.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Tapley of Saco, informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker the House had elected Washington Gilbert Speaker pro tem. A similar message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. Prentiss of Bangor. These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bartlett of Augusta.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed to the Senate the message ordered by the order of Mr. Hazen passed yesterday.

Resolved in relation to township L. Range two this resolve having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills astutely and strictly engrossed was finally passed, signed by the Speaker pro tem. and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act additional to our act to incorporate

The city of Gardiner.

Bills enacted to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties of this State.

The above bills came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the Medical School of Maine  
This resolve came from the Senate that branch rejecting amendment A. and then refusing to pass the resolve to be engrossed. Mr. Chadbourne of Dixmont moved that the House recede and concur with the Senate and Mr. Drummmond of Winthrop moved that this question be taken by Yeas and Nays, and the House so ordered, and being taken the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in rejecting amendment A. and refusing to pass the bill by Yeas 70 Nays 53 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Bailey, Banks, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brown, Bucknam, S. Chadbourne, Chick, A. Cleland, E. Clark, Clement, Conant, K. K. Drummmond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Flynn, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, Hansen, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, H. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, C. Libby, J. Libby, Maddox, Marcy, Marshall, Mayberry, Meritt, Merwin, Mulling, Oliver, W. H. Palmer, T. Parker, Parsons, Perry, Perkins, Peto, J. Peto, Rackliff, Ramney, Richards, Root, Rogers, Sully, Sorenson, Sargent, A. B. Shaw, Skirwin, Stanley, Buckland, W. L. Sweet, Tibbitt, Truett, Hadwin, Wapen, Walckman, Whelan, Wing, York

Now who voted in the Negation were Messrs Arnold  
Bulch, Batchelder, Bondy, Brackett, Bruck, Bristack  
Buxton, A. M. Chaddourne, Coffin, C. Davis, J. Davis,  
Deane, Estes, French, Gillcutt, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hobbs  
Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, Keen, S. A. Kimball,  
Mr. Kingsbury, Knapp, Loring, Mayes, Munroe, Miller  
Millsides, J. Palmer, Parker, Talbot, Pelling, de, A.  
Oakes, J. B. Fitch, E. K. Foster, Pratt, Prentiss, Quaint,  
Ruswell, Sargent, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Spooner  
Stockbridge, M. C. Sweet, Tapley, Tilton, Weeks  
Whitney, Woodlog, Woodman.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the  
Trustees of the Maine State Seminary passed  
March 16, 1853, came from the Senate that branch  
refusing to concur with the House in passing the  
bill to be engrossed and committing the same  
to the Committee on the Judiciary. The House re-  
considered the vote whereby it passed the bill to  
be engrossed and committed for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the treasury of the town of  
Leeds, was taken up and referred to the Committee  
on Claims, Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Military Pen-  
sions, on petition of Timothy Gibson and others  
reported reference to the next Legislature, Report  
accepted, Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned to half past two this afternoon

Met according to adjournment.

Claim of the treasury of Berwick for bounty on sick  
was referred to the Committee on Claims, sent up for concurrence.



Mr. Burbank of Lewiston laid on the table the following order which on motion of Mr. Tibbets of Lowell was indefinitely postponed. Ordered that no member shall speak ~~two~~ questions more than fifteen minutes at one time, nor more than twice without the unanimous consent of the House.

Bill an act additional to Chapter one hundred and forty two of the Revised Statutes relating to the Reformatory School. This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheets A.B.C. and as amended the bill passed to be engrossed. The House concurred in the Senate amendments and further amended the bill as per sheets D.E. and as amended having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Long Reach Bank.

Bill an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of Probate and of the Register of Probate in the County of Sagadahoc.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to Chapter ten of the Revised Statutes relating to the Militia. This bill having

had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. Kimball of Bethel moved and the House ordered the Yeas and Nays to be taken on the question and being taken the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, by Yeas 45 and Nays 45 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bean, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, Buxton, H. M. Chaffin, J. Christ, Edward Cunningham, Coffin, Leonard, Deane, J. H. Drury,mond, Felt, Fisher, Fogg, Foss, French, Goodale, Grace, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, Judkins, Keene, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, T. H. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, J. Libby, Longfellow, Moody, Mearns, Merrill, Maybury, McMillan, Mellick, Melling, Oliver, J. Palmer, J. Parker, Parnes, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Poulis, Ranning, Rice, Richmond, Sawyer, A. B. Swan, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweet, Tibbels, Tillson, Trumble, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bidwell, Blaisdell, Bondy, Brown, S. Chadburn, Clement, E. Davis, J. Davis, R. H. Drury,mond, Deane, Ector, Girty, J. H. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hasey, Hill, Johnson, G. A. Kimball, McKimball, L. E. Ledy, Long, Merrill, Mearns, Parker, Perkins, Pelling, J. B. Pike, Rackliff, Roark, Rogers, Sully, Sanborn, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Snow, Strickland, Watlin, Walsh, Wapson, Watkinson, Wells, Wray, Westman, York.

Mr. Hanson of Sandwich moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the resolution in favor of Lenox's Academy, the motion was

laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolves providing for an appropriation for the Reform School

Resolves providing for surveying and marking the State line between Maine and New Hampshire. The above resolves having each had two several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act concerning Fish Wardens, laid on the table by Mr. Potter of Lowell, and under the rule lies over until Monday

Bill an act to incorporate the North American Land Company, Read twice & Monday assigned for its third reading

Bill an act additional to incorporate the Bangor Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company was amended in concurrence with the Senate and further amended as per sheet B.

Bill an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotville amended as per sheet C. The above bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were as amended severally passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. George W. Milnes Clerk

Monday, March 22. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Fitch of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture in position of James Scully.

Report of the same Committee on petition of A. J. W. Stevens and others of John P. Shaw and others of Amos Chapman and others of J. S. Benson and others of Joseph B. Packard and others. The above reports came from the Senate that branch having receded from its vote recommending the reports and referring them to the next Legislature. The House receded from its vote recommending the reports and referred them to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education on report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported a bill entitled an act amending Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvent estates. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison. This report came from the Senate that branch having adhered to the vote whereby it accepted the report. The House receded from its vote recommending the report and accepted it in concurrence.



Bill an act to change the names of certain persons  
laid on the table by Mr. Kimball of Bethel.

Bill an act concerning Fish Wardens. The foregoing  
bills were each read twice and tomorrow assigned  
for the third reading of each.

Resolutions favor of the report of Albert J. Wheelock  
came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.  
Resolutions read once and tomorrow assigned for its  
second reading.

Petition of the Selectmen of the town of Webster to  
make valid the records of said town for the  
years 1856, 1857 & 1858. was referred to the Committee  
on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Order relating to the claims of the ~~town~~ <sup>treasurers</sup> of  
the town of Chelsea for bounty paid on wild an-  
imals. came from the Senate read and passed  
Read & passed in concurrence.

Bill an act to restrain and regulate the sale of in-  
terfering liquors was taken up and read the third  
time and pending when the House adjourned.

Met at half past two P.M. according to adjournment.

Bill an act to restrain and regulate the sale of in-  
terfering liquors. was amended in concurrence  
with the Senate as per sheets A & B. amendment  
A changing the title of the Bill so that it is. An  
act for the suppression of drinking houses and  
tippling shops. The bill was further amended  
as per sheets C & D. on motion of Mr. Topley of Saco  
and on motion of Mr. Wierman of Bucksport it was

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary informing the House that bills enacted to make valid the doings of school districts number 3 & 6 in Dresden is not in the possession of the Senate that branch having passed the same to be en-

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acted and transmitted it to the Governor for  
his approval and signature and further saying  
that a message had been transmitted to the Gov-  
ernor requesting him to return said bill to the  
Senate in order to its return to the House and  
that the Governor returned in answer to the  
message of the Senate that he had previous to  
its receipt approved and signed the bill.

Bill an act to restrain and regulate the sale of  
intoxicating liquors, being on its passage to be en-  
groped and having had three several readings  
and reported by the Committee on Bills in the  
Third Reading and the House having ordered in  
enclion of Mr. Perkins of Kennelbunk that the  
question be taken by Yeas and Nays it was so  
taken and this bill as amended was passed  
to be engroped by Yeas 104 Nays 27 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmation were Messrs  
Bailey Banks, Barton, Blam, Bicknell, Blinckley  
Bordy, Brown, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Buxton  
Burbanks, E. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement  
Coffin, Conant, C. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H.  
Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes  
Field, Fisher, Fly, Fox, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale  
Hagan, Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hill, Hobbs  
Holt, Johnson, Jones, Quakers, G. A. Kimball, C. A.  
Kimball, M. Kimball, A. Kingsley, S. Kingsley,  
Knapp, Lane, Lighthouse, Longfellow, Loring  
Maddox, Mayers, Marshall, Menthew, Merrill  
Miller, Milliken, Munroe, Oliver, Parker  
S. Parker, Parsons, Patten, Percy, Perkins, Pettigrew  
F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Pringle, Rackliff, Rice  
Rock, Rogers, Round, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent  
Sawyer, Thurman, Skellie, Skinner, S. Smith

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H. C. Smith. Snow. Stanley Stockbridge. Strick-  
land, Tapley, Tillson, Wallin Walsh. Wapson.  
Waltchman Weeks Wheelus Whitney Wing Wood-  
bury. Woodward York.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Balch,  
Batchelder, Buxton, N. M. Chubbourn, E. Clark  
Cunningham, Mercey, Ingalls, Kinn, C. Edlitz,  
J. Edlitz, Maybury, Mitchell, Mulling, Palmer  
S. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Postin, Rannoy, Ridcutt, Sumner  
M. C. Lovett, W. H. Lovett, Tibbitts, Tupper,  
and the bill  
was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

An motion of Mr. Burbank of Lewiston. Ordered  
that the Committee on pay Roll, be directed to  
make up in the pay Roll, the annual com-  
pensation to the reporters. Read & passed.

Resolves relating to the Compensation of the  
Commissioners at Washington was read twice in  
passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads  
came from the Senate further amended as per  
that C. The House recided and concurred  
with the Senate in amending as per that  
C. and as amended passed the bill to be en-  
grossed in concurrence.

Mr. Spooner from the Committee on State Lands  
and State Roads, reported reference to the  
next legislation on petition of Sumner Whitney  
and others for an appropriation.

The same gentleman from the same Committee



reported reference to the next legislation in relation of Justice Gray for conveyance of lands Reports accepted. Sent up for concurrence,

Mr. Wadsworth from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order in relation to the repair of the road in Indian Township in the County of Washington, reporting a resolve for the repair of the road in Indian Township.

Mr. Spooner from the same Committee on application of John A. Perr relating to purchase of copies of Gruntlofs Map reporting a resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected Map of the State.

The same gentleman from the same Committee, on petition of Phillis Russell for conveyance of lands reported a resolve in favor of Phillis Russell.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, the resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for the second reading of each.

Resolve for the payment of additional Roll of Accounts No. 38, came from the Senate reported by the Committee on Accounts with the report accepted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Fairfield, Ordered that the Committee on Credentials make their final report tomorrow. Read and passed.

Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts, was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Puntis of Bangor, tomorrow at ten o'clock was assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act regulating the taxation of costs additional to Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes. This Bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The House receded from the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and resumed its proceedings.

Bill an act additional to Chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes relating to divorce, was read the third time and on motion of Mr. Brody of Brunswick it was laid on the table.

Mr. Woodbury from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of sundry persons for an appropriation for the making and repairing State roads in Arrostook County reported a resolve for the repair of roads and bridges in the County of Arrostook.

Mr. French from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to Sec. 20 of Chap. 80 of the Revised Statutes relating to Sheriffs reported a bill entitled an act amending section 20 of Chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes relating to Sheriffs.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, the Resolves read over and the bill read twice, tomorrow assigned for the second reading of the resolves and the third reading of the bill.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Bangor. Mr.

Mr. Patten of Fort Fairfield moved to amend the bill as per sheet A. and on this motion on motion of Mr. Ruxton of Kansas the House ordered the Yeas and Nays and being so taken the amendment was adopted by Yeas 73 Nays 25 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Bailey Banks, Batchelder Bean Bickner Blairden Brady Brown Buck Buchanan Buston N. McChaslain S. McChaslain Chick Cunningham Clement Coffin E. Davis J. Davis Deane R. H. Drummond Fries Foss Gilbert Goodale Hale Holt Ingralls Johnson Keene Kimball Kingston R. Kingston K. Libby Libby Loring Maddox Marshall Menzies Miller Milliken Moulton Oliver Palmer Parker Patten Peck Perkins Pettigrew Rice T. A. Pike V. Pike Quint Rachel Ransom Redout. Rogers Seaborn Sangre Searns Shellen B. Smith W. C. Smith Spence Stanley Strickland M. E. Sweet W. C. Sweet Tibbitts Trapeze Walsh Watkinson Woodman York.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Banks A. H. Clark J. H. Drummond Estes Fisher Flyn Fuller Noyes Hiv. Holt Jones L. W. Kimball H. Kimball Parker J. Porter S. Porter Pratt Rice Risk Rivett Sally Snow Weeks Whitely Woodly.

and the question then being on this bill as amended to be passed to be engrossed, it having passed three several readings and reported by the Committee as Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed,  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the North American Land  
Company. This bill was read three times and by  
consent of the House was withdrawn by Mr. Brock of  
Brunswick.

Mr. Hanson of Gardiner introduced the following  
order which on motion of Mr. Bayston of Waveren was  
laid on the table. Ordered that a message be sent  
to the Senate requesting that branch to return to this  
House the resolves in favor of Simoniso Reading if  
the same is in possession of that body.

Bill an act relating to the depositions of peiters was  
read three times and on motion of Mr Pike of Calais  
was laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of Rufus Divinal, Daniel H  
Bradley and Harrison Knowles, was read twice and on  
motion of Mr. Spooner of New Portland it was  
laid on the table.

Bill an act to repeal an act to make valid the pro-  
ceedings of School districts No. 3 and 6 in Dresden  
laid on the table by Mr. Hagar of Richmond.

Bill an act additional to Chapter third of the Re-  
vised Statutes, laid on the table by Mr. Thibault of Houlton.  
The above bills under the rule lie over until  
tomorrow.

Bill an act relating to rivers was read three times  
and on motion of Mr. Drew of Portland it was  
laid on the table.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 67 of the  
Revised Statutes relating to Guardians.



Bill an act to amend section eleven of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes. The above bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to provide for the greater security of travellers and lodgers at inns during fires. Having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was proposed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of William Jameson and others, and Samuel O. Gilman and others. This resolve came from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed and proposing a conference, and appointing Messrs. Hopes, Hobbs and Davis as conferees on the part of the Senate. The House insisted on its vote, agreed to the proposition for a conference and appointed Messrs. Parsons of East's plantation, Hapen of Brooksville, & Fordale of Orrington as conferees on the part of the House.

Bill an act to revive and extend the Charter of the Mercantile Bank at Bangor.

Bill an act additional to incorporate the Bangor Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company.

Bill an act for the preservation of trout in certain waters.

Bill an act to amend the fortieth Chapter of the Revised Statutes relating to Fisheries.

Bill an act to amend Chapter forty nine of the Revised Statutes respecting Directors of Mutual Insurance Companies.

Bill an act to make valid the deeds of school district number fifteen in the town of Parkman,

Bill an act to amend Chapter forty six of the Revised Statute, relative to demands on stockholders of corporations

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company.

Resolved in aid of repairing a road and building a bridge in township number two in the second range west of the Kennebec river in the County of Somerset

Resolved providing for an appropriation for the State Reform School.

Resolved providing for surveying and marking the State line between Maine and New Hampshire

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

Attest, George W. Wilcox Clerk

Tuesday March 23. 1853.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Butterfield of Newmills.

Resolves for the payment of additional roll of accounts number thirty eight was read the second time, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of Mechanic Blake relating to lands in township No. 13 Range 6 came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolves to collect certain securities in the Land Office, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Resolves read once. Tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick. This bill came from the Senate that branch having rejected amendments A & B and then indefinitely postponing the bill. The House insisted on its vote passing this bill as amended to be engrossed. proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature and appointed Messrs Bondy of Brunswick, Johnson of Augusta, Hagau of Richmond as conferees on the part of the House.

Bill an act additional to an act to charge Graham Academy to a Female Seminary approved August 26. AD 1850, came from the

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Senate passed the engrossed. Read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Ellipton. This bill came from the Senate that branch having receded from its former vote, amended amendment B. as per sheet 6. and then passing the bill to be engrossed. The House receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted amendment 10 in concurrence, and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the Bridge over the Wat-tanunkag river in township Mt. Range 2 in the County of Annetonk. This resolve came from the Senate amended as per sheet A. amended and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House voted to insist on its vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed and proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Spenser of New Portland, Woodbury of Annetonk, and Libbey of Milwaukie conferees on the part of the House.

Resolve in favor of Benjamin H. K. Laid on the table by Mr. Chadbourne of Dixmont, rules suspended, read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to repeal an act entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts No 3 & 6 in Dresden

Bill an act additional to Chapter third of the Revised Statutes.



The above bills were severally read twice and then  
unanimously agreed for the third reading of each.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on Bills  
introduced an act additional to an act to incorporate  
the Marine State Seminary. Approved March 1855  
reporting the bill in a new draft and that it  
ought to pass. This report came from the Senate  
having been read and accepted and the bill  
passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in  
concurrence. Bill read twice and then  
unanimously agreed for its third reading.

Bill an act amending section 20 of Chapter  
50 of the Revised Statutes relating to Sheriffs.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.  
The above bills having had three several readings  
and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third  
Reading were severally passed to be engrossed and  
sent up for concurrence.

Resolved for the repair of road in Letter B. R. 1.  
came from the Senate amended as per sheet A.

Resolved relating to the report of Albert J. Wheeler.  
The foregoing resolves having each had two readings  
and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third  
Reading were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to repeal section twenty two of Chapter  
twenty four of the Revised Statutes relating to paupers  
came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The  
House decided from its vote passing the bill to be  
engrossed and postponed it indefinitely in con-  
currence.

Resolved in favor of Wadwell, Paltagumpus and  
Mickatow plantations for support of schools. Said  
on the table by Mr. Ranney of Wilm and under the  
rule lies over until tomorrow.

Bill an act to encourage the settlement of the  
public lands. Said on the table by Mr. Liebert of  
Bath. Rules suspended, Bill read twice and to-  
morrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolved authorizing the Land Agent to procure  
a corrected map of the State, was read twice  
and on motion of Mr. French of Damariscotta  
was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in relation to settling accounts with  
Penobscot and Papamogash Indian.

Resolved in aid of the heirs of Benjamin Lowell  
and Lydia Lowell.

Resolved to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians.

Resolved in favor of Phillis Russell.

Resolved for the repair of roads and bridges in the  
County of Anson.

Resolved for the repair of the road on Indian township.  
The above resolves having each had ten several  
readings and reported by the Committee on Bills  
in the Third Reading were severally passed to  
be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of the Penobscot Indians was read  
twice and on motion of Mr. Strickland of Bangor it

was laid on the table,

Mr. Marshall from the Committee on Banks and Banking on Bill entitled an act additional to an act incorporating the Securities Institution for savings reported the bill and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act amending chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvent estates.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Somerville amended as per sheet A in concurrence. The above bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes. came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Education. Committee in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote between the two Houses on Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company. recommending the amending of the bill as per sheet A. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill amended as per sheet A, and as amended passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. amendment A adopted and as amended the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary requesting the House to return to the Senate the resolve providing for the payment of additional Roll of accounts. M. 38.

The House ordered the Resolve to be returned to the Senate and the Clerk was charged with a message to that branch to that effect, & conveyed it.

Bills an act additional to Chapter two of the Revised Statutes relating to the Militia. This being on its passage to be enacted, having been passed by Congress and reported by the Committee on Engraving & Bills astutely and ably engrossed. Mr. Hanson of Lansing moved that the question be taken by Yeas and Nays. The House refused to so order, and the bill was refused a passage by Yeas 57 Nays 67. The bill was sent to the Senate.

Adjourned until half past two P.M.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House this forenoon refused to pass to be enacted the bill relating to the Militia. The motion was laid on the table and then adjourned this afternoon expired as the time for taking the vote on the motion.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Flag Staff stream in the County of Seneca. This resolve having had ten several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed by Congress. Sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act in relation to trustees of Railroads.



Bill an act to provide for the greater security of travellers and lodgers in inns during fires. This bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company. This bill came from the Senate that branch having reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed and amended the bill as presented &c. and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted and whereby it passed it to be engrossed, amended the bill in concurrence and as amended passed it to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Wing from the Committee composed of the Waldo Delegation reported leave to withdraw on proposition of the Judge of Probate for Waldo County for increase of salary. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act concerning Fish Wards, was read three times and on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport the bill was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resoln in favor of Abella H. Brown came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Nagus of Richmond it was laid on the table.

Resoln authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State. Mr. Buxton of Warren

moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House this forenoon indefinitely postponed the resolvers. The motion was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties on petition of Isaac Reed and others of Lincoln County to make Waldoborough a shire town of said County, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section 23 of chapter thirty nine of the Revised Statutes respecting the modes of packing and marking paper. This bill was amended as per sheet A. in motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, and as amended the bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Tapley from the Committee on Elections reported that said Committee find and report as elected to this House the following persons.

*Androscoggin County*

Naturaw	Timothy Bailey
Durham	William D. Root
East Livermore	Leyrus Knapp
Listow	George Plummer
Lewiston	Alexander Burbank
Poland	Thomas Lane
Danville	Daniel Field
Turner	Samuel B. Holt
Lido	Uriah Foy

## Arrostock County

Houlton	Benjamin Woodbury
Fort Fairfield	Stephen B. Patten
Moulunkus	Joseph Sibley

## Cumberland County

Portland	Nathaniel J. Miller
"	William T. Benson
"	Sturtevant Dams
Brunswick	Henry A. Boody
Westbrook	Samuel Brackett
Gorham	Joshua E. Hall
Raymond	Sadariah A. Whitney
Clifffield	William M. Smith
Sebago	Stephen R. Porter
Baldwin	Christopher D. Sawyer
Hamden	Samuel Bucknam
Freeport	Michael Stockbridge
Bridgton	Darius Ingalls
North Hamden	Silas Skillin
Casco	Peter J. Maybrook
Standish	Henry M. Chadbourn
Cumberland	Benjamin Richmont

## Franklin County

Farmington	John B. Morrison
Willis	Nathan Brown
Madison	Saiah Chick
Lord's plantation	James Paine
Indenbury	Albert Shaw

## Hancock County

Bucksport	Frederick C. Woodman
Brooksville	William Hapow
Brookline	John C. Sargent
Deerham	John L. Parker

Ellsworth  
Sullivan  
Eden  
Greenfield  
Deer Isle

John A. Moor  
John W. Stiles  
Danforth P. Maynard  
Benjamin L. Wheeler  
William Babbidge

### Kennebec County

Augusta

James A. Bicknell

"

William T. Johnson

Hallowell

Eliphahel Powell

Gardiner

John W. Hanson

Waterville

Josiah H. Drummond

Vestalborough

Henry Weeks

Windsor

Stephen Barton

Hinslow

Robert R. Drummond

Pittston

Alpheus H. Clark

Sidney

James Stearns

Readfield

Eliza S. Cass

Litchfield

Benjamin Smith

Hugus

Arcadius Pertinax

Millis

William H. Palmer

### Lincoln County

New Castle

Edwin Edge

Hamastown

Robert Walsh

Whitfield

Abiel Longfellow

Damariscotta

Ezra B. French

Bristol

Amos A. Jones

Boothbay

Charles B. Fisher

Rockland

Davis Tilton

St. George

Samuel Trufelt

Warren

Benjamin T. Boston

Edgemoor

John Cunningham

Washington

Jeremiah Mitchell

Waldoborough

John Balch



Oxford County

Woodstock	Albert N. Estes
Watford	Jonah S. Hobbs
Branford	Eli B. Bean
Milton, pl.	Charles Dunn
Bethel	Ira C. Kimball
Rumford	Charles A. Kimball
Dixfield	Calvin Stanley
Oxford	Benajah Pratt Jr
Lowell	Joseph Tibbets

Pembscot County

Baizer	Samuel P. Stickland
"	Henry C. Prentiss
Oldtown	Moses Buck
Arington	Ephraim Goodale Jr.
Leominster	Charles Bunker
Hornum	John Maddox
Hampden	Warren H. Rice
Diamond	Sumner J. Chadbourne
Stetson	John Rogers
Orono	Gideon Mayo
Cleifton	Thomas Parks
Winn	Thomas S. Runney
No. 7 Range 3	John Jenkins
Carter	Joshua Palmer
Kindredburg	Timothy C. Batchelder
Lowell	Joseph Porter
Bradford	Thomas R. Kingsbury

Piscataquis County

Lydford	Charles Loring
Atkinson	Ruf. A. Snow
Williamburg	Adams W. Merrill
Parkman	Jesse Nutting

Back  
Georgetown  
Richmond  
Woodwick  
Bordwinham

Sagadahoc County  
Washington L. Abbott  
Ruben. Oliver  
James Hagar  
John Pacy  
Charles P. Quint

Fairfield  
Shorthugan  
St. Albans  
Palmyra  
Norridgusack  
Athens  
Madison  
New Portland  
No. 2 Pleasant ridge.

Summit County  
Ebenzer Davis  
Samuel D. Arnold  
Thomas Skinner  
Samuel Clement  
Marshall P. Hale  
George A. Kimball  
Joseph Sally  
Abram Sprone  
Asa Andrews

Belfast  
Frankfort  
Waldo  
Northport  
Camden  
Frederick  
Westborough  
Jackson  
Searesmont  
Searesport  
Appleton.  
Boy

Waldo County  
Thomas A. Marshall  
Eben F. Blundell  
Samuel Kingsbury  
Daniel A. Wadlin  
Etha L. Milliken  
Benjamin Fuller  
Nelson Gilkey  
Benjamin Fork  
Abram Wing  
Jeremiah Minichew  
William Leonard  
Alonzo B. Shaw

Calais  
Stauben  
Charlotte

Washington County  
Frederick A. Pike  
Daniel L. Leighton  
Thomas M<sup>c</sup>Clauflin

Wesley  
 Westbrook  
 Eastport  
 Foxefield  
 Columbia  
 Lubec  
 Machias Port

Benjamin R. Rackliff  
 Isaac L. Henshaw  
 Humphrey Pike  
 John B. Pike  
 Albert Hens  
 Taft Henshaw  
 Charles E. Libby

### York County

Biddisford  
 Saco  
 Buxton  
 Hallowell  
 Shapleigh  
 Lyman  
 Kennebunk  
 North Berwick  
 Lebanon  
 Passumpsit  
 York  
 Wells  
 Litchey  
 South Berwick  
 Lincolnton  
 Lincoln

Ezra H. Banks  
 Rufus P. Tapley  
 Joseph Davis  
 Albert Perkins  
 James Coffin  
 Hiram Waterhouse  
 Henry Kingsbury  
 John Hall jr.  
 Levi Leonard  
 Luther Sanborn  
 William H. Sweet  
 Edwin Black  
 Daniel Pierce  
 Benjamin F. Parks  
 Moses E. Sweet  
 Luther S. Moore

The report was accepted.

Bill an act to establish salaries for county commissioners, amendment B. of the Senate concurred in. Senate amendment A. amended as per sheet to and bill and amendments laid on the table by Mr. Hall of Gorham.

At the hour assigned for the vote on Mr. Johnson's motion the House proceeded to the vote. Mr. French

of Darnanicotta mounds and the House ordered  
that the question be taken by Yeas and Nays and  
being so taken the House refused to reconsider its  
vote refusing to pass the bill by Yeas 58 Nays 67  
as follows.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs,  
Alderson, Balch, Banks, Balchman, Bean, Brackett  
Buck, Buckman, Burbank, Burton, A. W. Hunt, Cunningham  
Coffin, J. H. Hammond, Fisher, Foy, French, Girdle Hogan,  
J. Hall, Hobbs, Ingalls, J. W. Jackson, Kern, S. Kingsley  
McKingsley, Knapp, Loom, J. M. May, Madden, Marshall  
Maybury, Milliken, Nutting, J. Palmer, J. Parker, Pierce  
H. Pike, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Pratt, Ransom, Rice  
Ridout, Sawyer, Ashmun, Skillin, Spomer, Steadman,  
M. E. Sweet, W. H. Sweet, Tapley, Tilden, Tilton  
Tupelo, Whitney

Those who voted in the Negation were Messrs, Arnold  
Bailey, Benton, Bicknell, Blair, Berry, Brown, Brown  
Bunker, Can, Applebourn, Child, Clement, E. Davis, J.  
Davis, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fuller, Gilbert  
Litchy, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, May, M. H. May, Johnson  
McKimball, Slighter, S. L. Sibley, Simpson, Spring, Maynard,  
Munich, Munroe, Miller, Oliver, Parker, Parsons, Patten  
Perry, Perkins, Pettigrew, F. W. Pike, Plummer, Randall  
Reed, Rogers, Sanborn, Sangster, Skinner, B. Smith, W. G.  
Smith, Snow, Stanley, Streetland, Hadwin, Walker, Wagon  
Watkinson, Weeks, Wheeler, Wing, Woodward,

The resolve was sent to the Senate,

Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor of  
accounts, was taken up considered and on mo-  
tion of Mr. Buck of Alabam. laid on the table.

An motion of Mr. Milliken of Conn. on the vacancy



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sitting in the Committee on the Liquor Law. was filled, and Mr. French of Danvers was appointed on said Committee.

Report of the Committee on Finance granting leave to withdraw one petition of T. W. Sperry and others was accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act in relation to the pay of Fish Wardens laid on the table by Mr. Porter of Lowell and under the rule lies over until tomorrow.

Bill an act relating to fines and costs in criminal prosecutions. This bill having had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was on motion of Mr. French of Danvers amended as follows. A. Mr. Russell of Hallowell, moved that the bill be referred to the next Legislature and on this motion the House ordered the Yeas and Nays and being taken the motion was rejected by Yeas 42 Nays 85, as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Barber, Benton, N. W. Chadbourn, S. H. Chabbeaux, Cunningham, Deane, F. P. Gordan, Ingalls, Kinn, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, L. E. Libby, Madril, Mitchell, L. S. Morse, J. Palmer, Patten, Peirce, N. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, P. P. Rice, Rider, Root, Rogers, Russell, Shellen, Sperry, Street, T. W. Sweet, Tibbitts, Trupee, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury, York,

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blair, Noe, Briggs, Brown, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Burdett, Carr, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis,

J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes,  
Fido, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gidley, Hagan, J. Hall,  
Hanson, Hale, Hensley, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones,  
Jenkins, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Lightton,  
Longfellow, Loring, Mayers, Marshall, Menithew,  
Minell, Miller, Milliken, Morrison, Muttig, Parker,  
T. Parkes, Parsons, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, S. R.  
Porter, Pratt, Rockliff, Ramsey, Sallie, Sauter, Sargent,  
A. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley,  
Strickland, Tapley, Tilton, Wallin, Walsh, Warner, Water-  
house, Weeks, Wing, Woodman.

The question then remained on the passage of the Bill to  
be engrossed and on this question the House ordered  
the Yeas and Nays and being taken the bill was  
passed to be engrossed by Yeas 83 Nays 43 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Andrews  
Arnold, Beards, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boddy, Bowen,  
Brackett, Brown, Burt, Bucknam, Buckland, Carr, Child,  
A. H. Clark, Clement, Coffin, Leonard, E. Davis, J. Davis,  
J. H. Drummond, R. H. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Fido, Fisher,  
Flye, French, Fuller, Gidley, Hagan, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale,  
Hensley, Hill, Hobbs, Johnson, Jones, Jenkins, C. A. Kimball,  
S. Kingsbury, Lane, Lightton, Longfellow, Loring, Mayers,  
Marshall, Menithew, Minnie, Miller, Milliken, Mor-  
rison, Muttig, Parker, Parsons, Perkins, Pettengill,  
F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rockliff, Ramsey, Sallie,  
Sauter, Sargent, A. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith,  
W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Tapley, Tilton,  
Wallin, Walsh, Warner, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wing,  
Woodman.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bailey,  
Balch, Batchelder, Bunker, Buston, N. M. Chadbourne,  
S. H. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Deane, Fop, Goodale

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Ingallo, Lewis, M. Kingsbury, Kapp, G. E. Libby,  
Maddox, Mitchels, L. S. Mims, J. Palmer, T. Parker,  
Pattin, Pines, A. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter,  
Preston, Rice, Rideout, Root, Rogers, Rowell, Skelton  
Spencer, Stockbridge, W. C. Stuart, Tibbels, Timpson  
Whelan, Whiting, Woodbury, York.

and the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence

Adjourned.

Attest George W. Wilcox Clerk

Wednesday, March 24, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moore of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on an Insolvent Law, reporting a bill entitled an act for the relief of insolvent debtors, this report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill referred as a paper to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was referred to the next Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on a much of the Towns map as refers to the sale and settlement of the public lands, also on memorial of the State Agricultural Society, and on sundry petitions, reporting a Bill entitled an act to aid the Arrowsmith Railroad, increase the sales and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands. Also reporting Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amount of its indebtedness. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill referred a paper to be engrossed and the Resolves having also been referred as a paper to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice. Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the Resolves.

Report of the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges on petition of George H. Jewett and others



reported a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Annotok Railroad Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Bill an act relating to protests of bills of exchange

Bill an act in relation to the pay of Fish Wardens, was severally read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of act.

Mr. Woodman from the Judiciary Committee on his bill entitled an act additional to Chapter 11 of Revised Statutes requiring school district agents to give bonds reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The same gentleman from same Committee on Bill an act entitled an act in relation to costs in criminal proceedings before magistrates, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The same gentleman from same Committee also reported leave to withdraw on petition of the selectmen of the town of Webster in relation to town records.

The same gentleman on Bill an act relating to costs in civil causes, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The same gentleman on Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The same gentleman on order relating to alterations of section 13 Chapter 18 of Revised Statutes reported legislation inexpedient. The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter three of the Revised Statutes respecting unincorporated townships.

Resolved in favor of Benjamin York.

The foregoing bill having had three several readings and the resolve having had two readings and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Orren Gunnis, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote between the two Houses on Bill an act additional to Chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes relating to parishes and religious societies reporting the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Rules suspended. Bill read three several times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee which was directed to ascertain and report when the Legislature may adjourn was taken up and amended by striking out "Tuesday 23<sup>d</sup>" and inserting instead "Friday the 36<sup>th</sup>".

and as amended the report was rejected.  
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. French of Danversville. Ordered that the Committee on the pay roll be instructed to make up the pay of the members and officers of this House up to and including Monday next.

Report of Conference on disagreeing vote of the two Houses on Resolves in favor of William Garrison and others and Samuel A. Solomon and others reporting that the resolves ought to pass and recommending to the House to recede and concur with the Senate. Report accepted. The House receded from the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolves and passed it to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves relating to valuation of Unity plantation and town of Albion. Laid on the table by Mr. Pike of Calais. Rules suspended. Resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the distribution of school money in Gardiner. Laid on the table by Mr. Woodman of Bucksport. Rules suspended. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Keenston Institution for savings, was read three several times, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.





Holt, Jones, Judkins, L. A. Kimball, H. Kimball,  
J. R. Kingsbury, Milliken, T. Parker, Patton, J. Porter  
S. R. Porter, Pratt, P. Prouty, Rackliff, Ramsey, Rice  
Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Tilton.

and the report  
was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order from the Senate. Orders the House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature  
adjourn sine die on Monday the twenty ninth  
instant. Came from the Senate having been read  
and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to change the  
Forkham Academy to a Female Seminary approved  
August twentieth one thousand eight hundred and  
fifty. This bill having had three several readings  
and amended as per sheet A. and reported  
by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading  
was as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned to Half past ten P. M.

Mr. Prouty from the Committee on the Judiciary  
on Bill an act additional to an act approved  
July 17, 1858, altering the time for holding the May  
term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County  
of Lincoln, reported the bill and that it ought  
to pass. Report accepted. Bill read twice and  
tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act in relation to the pay of Fish Wardens  
on motion of Mr. Porter of Lowell, the House recon-  
sidered the vote whereby it assigned tomorrow for  
the third reading of the bill and it was read the

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs  
 Bailey, Bean, Blaisdell, Borden, Spleck, Leonard, Clement,  
 Leonard, E. Davis, Deane, J. H. Dummer, and R. Dummer.  
 And also, Silvio, Ephes, Tilly, French, Gilbert, Lacey,  
 Grisdale, Hanson, Hancy, Will, Hobbs, Holt, Jones,  
 Cathlamet, Westham, E. Kingsburg, Knapp, Land,  
 Leighton, Longfellow, Maynard, Marshall, Merritt,  
 Morris, Olson, Parker, Parker, Perry, Pettengill,  
 F. P. Pike, Plummer, Pontif, Quinn, Rockwell,  
 Rock, Runkle, Sergeant, Stanley, Street, Squire,  
 Land, Walsh, Wapen, Weeks, Wheeler, Waring,  
 Woodward.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs  
 Andrews, Balch, Banks, Barton, Batehead, Bick-  
 nell, Bonner, Brown, Bush, Buckman, Bunker  
 Burdett, Burpee, Lewis, H. M. Chadbourn, A. Holard  
 Cunningham, J. Davis, Estes, F. P. Hagan, J. Hall  
 Hale, Ingalls, Johnson, Jackson, Keene, K. Kintzold  
 A. Kingsbury, W. Kingsbury, C. E. Leiby, Jobbey,  
 Loring, Madsen, Miller, L. S. Moore, Muttiny, J. Palm-  
 er, W. H. Parker, Patten, Perkins, Pines, S. Piers  
 Porter, S. L. Porter, Pratt, Ranney, Roberts, Rogers,  
 Sally, Sanborn, Sawyer, & Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Shumann,

Stillman B. Smith Spooner McEwen W. W. W. W. W.  
Topley Tibbels Tillson Timpfeller Waterhouse York

Bill an act additional to Chapter sixty seven of  
the Revised Statutes relating to guardianship.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Somerville.

Bill an act to amend Chapter sixty six of the Revised Statutes.

Bill an act to amend sections fifty and fifty four of  
Chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating  
to Banks and Banking.

Resolves for the repair of roads in Letter B. Range one.

Resolves relating to the report of Albert J. Wheeler.

The above bills having each had three several readings  
and the resolves having each had two several readings  
and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the  
Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly  
engrossed the bills were severally passed to be en-  
acted, the resolves severally finally passed, and  
the bills and resolves were signed by the Speaker  
and sent to the Senate.

The Majority and minority reports of the Com-  
mittee on the Judiciary on petition of Isaac  
Sturdivant were taken up and referred to the  
next Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to notices. This bill was read  
three times and on motion of Mr. Woodman of  
Beck'sport was amended as per sheet A and as  
amended having been reported by the Committee

on Bills in the third reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resoln relating to County Estimates was read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on County Estimates.

Mr. Rice from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of David Brown and others in relation to litigation and the judiciary reported reference to the next Legislature. Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Finance reported in relation to laying a State Tax, reported a Bill entitled an act for the apportionment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight amounting to Two thousand thousand nine hundred ninety dollars thirty cents. Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Selection of Fayette in relation in relation to the will of Philip Davis presented by Mr. Judkins of Wey. Referred to the next Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

Resoln to transfer the location of Leclairs Academy Grant. This resoln having had two readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resoln in favor of the Temporary Clerks in the Office of the Secretary of State. Laid on the table by Mr Johnson of Augusta and under the rule lies over until tomorrow.



600. Resolved in favor of Francis Leach. Laid on the table by Mr. Buxton of Warren. Rules suspended. read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Relo can act to repeal an act entitled an act to make valid the proceedings in school districts No. 3 and 6 in Dresden. was taken up read three times and on motion of Mr. Porter of Sebago it was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest George W. Milcox Clerk

Thursday March 25. 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Strong of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Affairs respecting finally and asking to be discharged, came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section 23 of Chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes respecting the mode of packing and marking paper. This bill came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature and appointed Messrs Brainerd of Westbrook, Johnson of Augusta and Rice of Hampden conferees on the part of the House.

Bill an act to amend section eleven of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A and as amended indefinitely postponed. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the Senate and indefinitely postponed the bill in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of State was taken up rules suspended. Race twice reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

612. On motion of Mr Pike of Calais. Ordered that the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the use of the House a list of the acts and resolves that have passed the Legislature at the present session.  
Read and passed.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bill an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotsville.

Bill an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company.

Bill an act additional to chapter one hundred forty two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School.

Bill an act additional to chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes relating to parishes and religious Societies.

Resolves in favor of William Jannerson and others and Samuel A. Gilman and others.

Resolves to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two readings and bills and resolves having each been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

A communication was received from the Land Agent in accordance with an order which passed the House on March 9<sup>th</sup> relating to permits granted for more than a year and on motion of Mr. Spence of New Portland it was laid on the table and three hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act for the apportionment of a State tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight amounting to Two Hundred Thousand nine hundred ninety dollars thirty cents.

Bill an act relating to the distribution of school money in Lincoln.

Resolves in favor of Francis Cook.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having had two readings and bills and resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Aaron Currier was read the second time, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to establish the County of Madawaska was read the third time and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Bill an act amending section twenty of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes relating to Sheriffs.

Resolves in favor of Madawaska, Anson and Vau.



Resolves relating to the compensation of the Commissioners at Washington.

The foregoing bill having had three several readings and the resolves having each had two several readings and bills and resolves passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engraved Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. the bill was passed to be enacted. the resolves finally passed, and the bill and resolves were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on State Prison on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Prison reporting a resolve providing for an investigation into the affairs of the State Prison. Also reporting a resolve in favor of the State Prison. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolves passed to be engrossed. Report accepted. Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill an act to aid the Amherst Railroad Company increase the value and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Resolves providing for an amendment of the constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amount of its indebtedness.

The foregoing bill was read three times and the resolves was read twice and the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed and refused to pass the resolves to be engrossed. Mr. Dean of Portland moved to

reconsiders the vote whereby the House refused to pass the bill and resolves to be engrossed and the motion was laid on the table and three o'clock this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act additional to an act approved February 17, 1858, altering the time for holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln was read the third time and on motion of Mr. Tapley of Essex was laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of the Penobscot Indians

Bill an act relating to the protests of Bills of Exchange.

The foregoing Resolves having had two several readings and the bill having had three readings and bill and resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading they were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops. The above bill having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Amherst Railroad Company. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and laid the bill on the table.

Resolved in favor of Common Union Academy was read twice unamended as per shut A, and being on its passage to be engrossed. The House ordered the question to be taken by Yeas and Nays and being taken the Resolved as unamended was passed to be engrossed by Yeas 66. Nays 52 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs  
Butch, Bonds, Batchelder, Brimmer, Brackley, Buck, Burns,  
Ker, Kimbark, Kingston, Leary, Chick, A. W. Clark, Cumming-  
ham, Coffin, Eells, Foy, Ford, Foster, Hagar, Hancock,  
Hale, Johnson, Jackson, Kerns, E. Kimball, C. L. Ledy,  
J. Libbey, Loring, Madden, Merrill, S. L. Moore, Mulling,  
Oliver, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Patten, Perkins, Pierce,  
A. Pike, J. Porter, Rastbiff, Renny, Rice, Ridout, Rogers,  
Sally, Sawborn, Sawyer, Ashaw, Shearn, Shaw, Skillin,  
Skinner, B. Smith, Snow, Spooner, Strickland, M. C.  
Sweet, W. H. Sweet, Tappan, Tibbels, Tappan, Walsh,  
Watkinson, Weeks, Wheeler, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bailey,  
Beane, Blair, Bland, Bondy, Burns, Brown, Bucknam,  
S. H. Chadburn, Clement, Conant, J. H. Drummond,  
R. H. Drummond, Dwyer, Fisher, Fisher, Fuller, Gidley,  
Hall, J. H. Hall, Henry, Hill, Noble, Hoot, Jones, H.  
Kimball, Kingsbury, Knapp, Lighthouse, Longfellow,  
Morgan, Marshall, Meritt, Meritt, Meritt, Parker,  
Parker, Percy, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer,  
S. R. Porter, Pratt, David, Reed, Sargent, W. H. Smith,  
Stanby, Strickland, Wadlin, Wapow, Whiting, Wing,  
Woodman.

Bill came out to incorporate the town of Poughkeepsie. It came from the Senate that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. The House voted to adhere to the vote.

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whereby it amended the bill and hoped it to  
be engrossed.

Bill an act to incorporate the Astoria Railroad  
company was taken from the table amended as  
per sheet at on motion of Mr. Johnson of Oregon  
tax.

Bill an act additional to an act approved February  
17 1858 altering the time for holding the May  
Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the  
County of Lincoln.

Resolves for the repair of Mattheuswicks Bridge in the  
County of Penobscot. The foregoing bills having  
each had three several readings and the resolves  
having had two readings and each reported by  
the Committee on Bills in the Senate Reading  
they were severally passed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Rufus S. Smith's Land in the table  
by Mr. Strickland of Bangor.

Resolves in favor of the several Colleges, Academies,  
and literary institutions of this State.

Resolves in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 115 of the Revised  
Statutes relating to the salaries of Public officers, laid  
on the table by Mr. Bondy of Brunswick. The rules  
were suspended. the foregoing resolves read once  
and the bill read twice and tomorrow appointed  
for the second reading of the Resolves and the  
third reading of the bill.



Adjourned to Afternoon

Met according to adjournment.

Bill an act regulating the taxation of costs, additional to Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, reported in the Senate by the Committee on the Judiciary. Rules suspended. Bill read three times and proposed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter eighty two of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court. This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheets A & B, and as amended proposed to be engrossed. The House amended the bill as per sheet C, and on motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath the bill was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of plantations, was read twice and on motion of Mr. Snow of Atkinson, the motion was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the relief of insolvent debtors. The Board of Portlands made a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House on yesterday voted to refer this bill to the next Legislature. The House refused to reconsider its vote.

Resolves in aid of building a bridge over the Staff Staff Stream in the County of Somerset.

Resolves in favor of Phillis Ruffin.

Resolves for the repair of the road on Indian township.

Resolves for the repair of roads and bridges in the County of Ansonia.

Resolves in favor of Rufus Smith, Daniel W. Bradley and Harrison Knowles.

Resolves in favor of Orren Lunnin.

Resolves for the payment of additional roll of accounts, number thirty eight.

The above resolves having each had two several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bills an act to aid the Ansonia Railroad Company and increase the value, promote the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution, respecting a loan of the credit of the State, and the amount of its indebtedness.

The above bill and resolves were taken up considered and on motion of Mr. BAKER of Andover were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Topley of Saco. Ordered that there be printed under the direction and control of the Clerk, five hundred copies of the Journal of this House, each member of this House and of the Senate shall be entitled to receive one copy of the same. one copy shall be distributed to each

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members of the next House of Representatives, and  
of the Senate on the first day of the Session thereof  
the remaining copies shall be deposited in the  
State Library for the use of the State.  
Read and passed.

Resolves in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary  
laid on the table by Mr. Woodman of Buckport  
and under the rule lies over until tomorrow.

Mr. Morrison from the Committee on County  
Estimates to which was recommended the estimates  
of the several counties, reported a Resolution re-  
lating to County estimates. Report accepted  
Resolves read over and tomorrow assigned for its  
second reading.

Resolves in favor of the Bath Female Seminary  
laid on the table by Mr. Gilbert of Bath.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking  
on petition of the Directors of the Gardiner  
Bank having once reported leave to with-  
draw and to which said report was re-  
commended, on further evidence reported a  
Bill entitled an act to redeem the capital  
stock of the Gardiner Bank. This report  
came from the Senate having been read  
and accepted and the bill passed to be  
engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence  
Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned  
for its third reading.

Bill an act for the suppression of certain  
common nuisances, was read three times  
amended as per sheets A & B and reported

by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties of this State, was amended as per sheets A and B, and laid on the table.

Adjourned.

Attest, George M. Wilcox Clerk



Friday March 26<sup>th</sup> 1855

No Chaplain present.

Report of the Committee on Accounts on claims of the Treasurer of the town of Eastbrook came from the Senate referred to the Next Legislature. Referred in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Maine ordered that the roll be called at 10 o'clock and each member inquired of whether he will remain in attendance until Monday. Read and passed.

Bill an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport came from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House receded from its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed amended as the Senate in concurrence and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended indefinitely postponed. The House concurred in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Bill an act establishing the terms for holding the annual sessions of the Supreme Judicial Court as a court of law, this Bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Rules suspended. bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank.

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the proprietors of the Fitchburg and Pittston Bridge came from the Senate amended as per sheets B and C. The House amended the bill in concurrence.

The above bills during week had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter eighty ten of the Revised Statutes, was read three times and indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Section 23<sup>d</sup> of Chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes respecting the mode of packing and marking paper, came from the Senate that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the bill. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. The bill was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Henry Williams reporting a bill entitled an act to amend the charter of the Augusta Water Power Company. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheet A and indefinitely postponed. Report accepted in concurrence and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. French from the Judiciary Committee on order in relation to taxing rights to cut timber granted by Massachusetts. Also on order to enquire into the expediency of taxing townships and tracts the fee of

which has passed from the State since 1857.  
reported a bill entitled an act additional to  
Chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes.  
Report accepted. Rules suspended. Bill read three  
times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Upon the call of the roll under the order of Mr.  
Pike of Maine one hundred and eleven members  
answered to their names, saying that they would  
be in attendance until the day of adjournment.

An motion of Mr. Buxton of Warren Ordered that  
the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to make  
up the pay of Lewis A. Cowan reported for the  
Legislative Journal so as to make his pay the  
same as a member of this House. Read & passed.

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An motion of Mr. Wheeler of Brunswick. Ordered  
that B. L. Wheeler of Brunswick be and is hereby  
expelled from further attendance upon the House  
of Representatives and the Treasurer of State is  
hereby instructed to pay said Wheeler all that  
may be due him as made up by the Committee  
on the Pay Roll. Read and passed.

Bill an act to establish forms of proceedings which  
may be used in prosecutions under an act en-  
titled an act for the suppression of drinking houses  
and tippling shops. Appended March 25 1858  
Laid on the table by Mr. Tapley of Saco. Rules  
suspended. Bill read three times and passed  
to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the State Prison, came from the  
Senate amended as per sheet A. The House

amended the amendment of the Senate as  
proposed B. and as amended passed the resolve  
to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Morrison from the Committee on County  
Estimates reported finally and asked that said  
Committee be discharged from further service  
Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta. Ordered  
that the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed  
to make up the pay of William Wapens and  
J. Sargent as members of the House to and in-  
cluding Monday next and that the Treasurer be  
requested to pay them the amount certified to be  
made by the said Committee. Read and passed.

A communication was received from John C. Sar-  
gent resigning his seat in the Legislature from and  
after April 14/1858. On motion of Mr. Woodman  
of Rockport the Speaker was requested to notify  
the Selectmen of the towns of Penobscot, Sedgwick  
and Brookline of the resignation of Mr. Sargent  
their towns comprising the district represented  
by Mr. Sargent.

Resolved in favor of the East Maine Conference  
Seminary was read twice and being on its pas-  
sage to be engrossed. the House ordered the  
question to be taken by Yeas and Nays and being  
so taken the resolve was passed to be engrossed  
by Yeas 73 Nays 36 as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs  
Arnold, Bidwell, Brady Brackett, Burnham  
A. W. C. Cunningham Leonard Estlin's Draw



J. N. Drummond R. H. Drummond E. H. Fisher S. H. S. Foy  
T. French T. Fuller S. Gilbert S. Gilkey G. Goddard H. Hagar  
J. Hall J. E. Hall W. H. Hannon H. Hazy H. Hild. H. Hobb. H. Hogg  
J. Johnson J. Johnson L. A. Kimball M. Kingston J. Long -  
fellow. Loring M. Manges. Marshall. M. Mithen  
Munell. Miller. Milliken L. L. Munn. Morrison  
Oliver J. Palmer Parker J. Parker Patten Percy Per-  
kins Pittingill Pierce N. Pike J. Porter Pratt  
Raceliff Rice Rogers Sargent Sargent A. S. Shaw  
Skinner. B. Smith Snow. W. W. Sweet. Tapley  
Tibbitts Tillman. Trupell. Wapner. Wadsworth  
Woodbury. Woodman.

Then who voted in the Negative were Messrs Bailey  
Banks. Bean. Blairdell. Brown. Buck. Buckman  
S. M. Chubbourn Chief Clement. Loom. Felt. Hays  
Holt Jones L. A. Kimball M. Kimball. Kingston  
Lane. Leighton L. Edinby J. Libby Madison M. Mithen  
Munson S. H. Porter Pratt. Reming. Ridgway  
Road Sherman W. Smith Stanley Wadlin  
Wing Weeks York.

and the yeas were sent  
to the Senate for concurrence.

Bills an act to amend Chapter one hundred  
and fifteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the  
Salaries of public Officers.

Resolved in favor of Rufus Sevin

The foregoing bill having had three several readings  
and the yeas having had two readings and  
reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third  
Reading were serially passed to be engrossed  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to authorize certain cities and towns to grant aid in the construction and completion of the Kennebec and Portland Rail Road. This bill was read three times and referred to the next Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolved in favor of Stephen Barton. Laid on the table by Mr. Johnson of Augusta. Rules suspended. Resolved read twice and on motion of Mr. Burdett of Lewiston it was indefinitely postponed.

Bill an act additional to an act to change Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary approved August twentieth one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

Bill an act for the apportionment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight amounting to Two Hundred Thousand nine hundred nineteen dollars thirty cents.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Institution for Savings.

Bill an act relating to railways

Bill an act relating to the taxation of costs additional to Chapter one hundred sixteen of the Revised Statutes.

Bill an act relating to the distribution of school money in Fardine

Bill an act in relation to the Day of First Mondays.

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618. Bill an act additional to Chapter three of the  
Revised Statutes respecting unincorporated places

Bill an act relating to fines and costs of criminal  
prosecutions.

Resolve in relation to settling accounts with  
Penobscot and Penamaguddy Indians

Resolve relative to valuations of Unity plantation  
and town of Albion.

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians

Resolve in favor of the Heirs of Benjamin Dowdes  
and Lydia Lowell.

Resolve in favor of Francis Leek.

The foregoing bills having each had three several  
readings and the resolves having each had two  
several readings and bills and resolves having  
generally been passed to be engrossed and reported  
by the Committee in Engrossed Bills as truly  
and strictly engrossed the bills were generally  
passed to be enacted, the resolves were generally  
finally passed and the bills and resolves were  
signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate,

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy came from  
the Senate amended as per sheet A, and was  
amended passed to be engrossed. The <sup>House</sup> voted to  
nonconcur with the Senate in adopting  
amendment A, and also voted to insist on the  
vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed  
and the resolve was sent to the Senate

On motion of Mr. Pierce of Kittery, Ordered that  
the petition of Bro B. Deane for relief from a  
note held by the State and from taxes by reason  
of the State taking his logs which he had paid for  
be taken from the files for the year 1854 and re-  
ferred to the Governor and Council.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Bath Ordered that  
the Joint Select Committee to whom was referred  
a bill entitled an act to provide for a State  
salvation are hereby discharged from further  
service in that matter. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Penick of Bangor. Ordered  
that when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet  
this afternoon at two o'clock.

Bill an act to abolish punishment by death was  
taken up, considered and on motion of Mr.  
Johnson of Augusta it was laid on the table  
and half past two o'clock this afternoon signed  
for its consideration.

Resolve authorizing an examination of the min-  
eral resources of the County of Piscataquis, came  
from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The  
House decided and concurred with the Senate  
in the indefinite postponement of the motion.

Bill an act relating to suits against sheriffs  
and certain other officers came from the  
Senate indefinitely postponed. The House decided  
and concurred with the Senate in indefi-  
nitely postponing the bill.



Resolved to collect certain securities in the Land Office was read twice reported by the Committee in Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Westbrook Seminary was read twice reported by the Committee in Bills in the Third Reading and being on its passage to be engrossed. The House ordered the question to be taken by Yeas and Nays and being taken the resolve was passed to be engrossed by Yeas 56 Nays 57 as follows

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Arnold, Bailey, Bicknell, Bondy, Brackett, Beach, Bennett, Buntan, Carpenter, H. M. Chadbourn, H. C. Clark, D. S. D. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Hagan, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hawson, Hale, Haring, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Judson, C. A. Kimball, J. Libby, Longfellow, Loring, Merriam, Merrill, Miller, Milburn, A. S. Munn, Morriss, J. Palmer, Parker, Peck, A. Peck, J. Peck, Perin, Peir, Savage, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stratford, W. S. Sweet, Tappan, Tilton, Trippe, Walsh, Woodman.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Banks, Bean, Blanchard, Brown, Bucknam, Can, J. F. Chadbourn, Clark, Clement, Conant, J. Davis, Dunn, Fuller, Frost, Gilkey, Goodale, Hill, Haskins, A. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Lapp, Lane, C. E. Libby, Madison, Marsh, Mott, Olney, T. Parker, Perry, Perkins, Pelting, J. A. Peck, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Quinn, Rackliff, Ransom, Ridout, Roark, Rogers, Russell, Ashaw, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Stanley, Tibbels, Wadsworth, Weeks, Waring, Wing.

Bill on act additional to an act to incorporate

the Maine State Seminary approved March 16 1855.

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Resoln providing for an investigation into the affairs of the State Prison.

The above bill was read this time and the resoln was read twice and each reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was generally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resoln in favor of the several Colleges, Academies and Literary Institutions of this State was read twice and referred to the committee on Education Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the committee on Claims on resoln in favor of Jacob B. Hall, reporting a resoln in favor of Jacob B. Hall and others. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resoln passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resoln read once and tomorrow signed for its second reading.

Adjourned to two o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties in this State. This bill was taken up, amended as per sheets A, B, C, D & E. and laid on the table.

An motion of Mr. Tilton of Rockland. Ordered that no member shall speak upon any question before the House more than ten minutes without

622. *Leaves of the House. Read and passed.*

Bills an act to abolish punishment by death was taken up and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augustus it was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several Counties of this State amended further on motion of Mr. Davis of Portland so as to change the title, so as to be an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in the Counties of Cumberland, Oxford and Androscoggin and as amended the bill being reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augustus. Ordered that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be directed if practicable in the recess of the Legislature to provide the Hall of the House of Representatives with two fire places, provided the same shall not exceed fifty dollars in cost. Read & passed.

Bills an act additional to an act to change Portland Academy to a Female Seminary approved August twentieth one thousand eight hundred and fifty. On motion of Mr. Patten of Fort Fairfield the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted.

Bills an act additional to chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes relating to divorce.

Bills an act to amend chapter eighty four of the

Revised Statute in relation to levy of Executions against towns. The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were usually passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act relating to bail in criminal cases, was read three times and indefinitely postponed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act to amend sections seventeen and eighteen of Chapter seventeen of the Revised Statutes relating to Steam boilers, laid on the table by Mr. Drummond of Waterville. Rules suspended. Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act relating to the protests of bills of exchange.

Bills an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport.

Bills an act to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank.

Bills an act additional to an act incorporating the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pelton Bridge.

Bills an act establishing the time for holding the annual session of the Supreme Judicial Court as a court of law.

Resolves in favor of the temporary class employed in the office of the Secretary of State.



Resolves in favor of the State Prison.

Resolves for the repairs of the Bridge over the Mat-  
taunuck river in township No. one Range second  
in the County of Ansonia.

Resolves to transfer the location of Calais Acad-  
emy Grant.

Resolves in favor of Benjamin Sisk

Bills an act additional to an act to incorporate  
the Maine State Seminary approved March six-  
teenth. Eighteen Hundred and fifty five.

The foregoing bills having each had three several  
readings and the resolves having severally had  
two readings and bills and resolves hoped to  
be engrossed, and reported by the Committee  
on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly en-  
grossed, the bills were severally hoped to be  
enacted, the resolves were severally finally  
hoped and they were signed by the Speaker  
and sent to the Senate.

Bills an act to aid the Ansonia Rail road  
Company, increase the value, and promote the  
sale and settlement of the public lands. The  
House reconsidered the vote whereby it refused to  
hope the bill to be engrossed and considered the  
same, and being put upon its hopeage to be  
engrossed the House ordered the question to be  
taken by Yeas and Nays and being asked the  
House refused to hope the bill to be engrossed  
by Yeas 32 Nays 85 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs  
 Buck, Brewster, S. J. Chadbourn, McClaugh, J. H.  
 Brummond, Field, Gurdale, Hausman, Hale  
 Hobbs, Jackson, Kingsbury, Lane, J. Libbey  
 Milliken, J. Palmer, Parker, T. Parker, Patton  
 J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Poole, Pountney, Romney  
 Rice, Rogers, Sprague, Stockbridge, Stockland,  
 Tibbels, Tilton, Woodling.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs.  
 Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Balch, Bonds, Bran  
 Bicknell, Blairdell, Borden, Brackett, Brown  
 Buchanan, Buxton, Carr, H. M. Chadbourn  
 Cunningham, Clement, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis  
 R. R. Brummond, Dunn, Esler, Flyn, Fox, Fuller  
 Gilbert, Gidkey, Hogan, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Stee  
 Ingalls, Johnson, Keane, R. A. Kimball, McKimball  
 Knapp, Lightner, C. E. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring  
 Maddox, Mayner, Marshall, Mendenhall, Merrill  
 Miller, Mitchell, L. S. Moore, Morris, Nutting  
 Oliver, Perry, Perkins, Peltingill, Peirce, F. A. Pike  
 H. P. W. Plummer, Quirk, Rackliff, Redout  
 Root, Rowell, Saffy, Sanborn, Ashman, A. B. Shaw,  
 Shannahan, Skellin, Skinner, B. Smith, W. B. Smith  
 Stanley, W. H. Sweet, Troupell, Wadlin, Walsh  
 Meluhans, Wells, Whiting, Wing, Woodman, York.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport  
 the House reconsidered the vote whereby it  
 refused to pass the foregoing bill to be engrossed  
 and referred it to the next Legislature,  
 Sent up for concurrence —

Resolved providing for an amendment of the  
 Constitution respecting a loan of the credit  
 of the State and the amount of its indebtedness

626. now read twice, and referred to the next Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolution in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary being on its final passage was laid on the table.

Resolution relating to County estimates was now twice reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolution providing for investigation into the affairs of the State Prison. The foregoing resolution having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed bills as truly and strictly engrossed was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

Attest George M. Milcox Clerk

Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> 1858

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Mr. Chaplain present

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act in relation to the South Kentucky Agricultural Society came from the Senate and of which postponed. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed, the bill to be engrossed. The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to provide for a State valuation, was read three times and indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolution in favor of Simon's Academy. This resolution came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed. The resolution and passed it to be engrossed. The question being upon reading and concurring the House ordered the Yeas and Nays and being taken the House refused to read and concur by Yeas 50 Nays 67 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Arnold, Balch, Banks, Bicknell, Buck, Bunker, Buxton, H. M. Chubb, Cummings, E. Davis, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Ingalls, Johnson, Jenkins, Kern, G. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, A. Edsby, Meritt, Merrick, L. S. Mearns, Mearns, J. Palmer, H. W. Palmer, Patten, Perkins, Pinn, A. Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rogers, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, Stebbins, M. E. Swat, H. W. Swat, Tapley, Tibbets, Tillman, Wadsworth, Wordbury.



Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bailey  
 Bean, Blainello, Budge, Bunker, Brackett, Brown, Buck-  
 nam, S. H. Chadbourn, Chick, H. H. Church, Clement, Comant,  
 J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Drum-  
 Felt, Fisher, Flagg, Fox, Gibbard, Hickey, Hurd, J. C. Jones  
 Hursey, Hurd, Holt, Holt, Jones, Kingsbury, Kiersey,  
 Lane, Loughton, Longfellow, Long, Madder, Manages,  
 Marshall, Nutting, Oliver, Parker, P. Parker, Pease,  
 Pelting, P. H. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt,  
 Quirk, Rockwell, Rumney, Ridout, Ross, Rowell, Sall,  
 Sherman, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Trappell, Madlin,  
 Weeks, Whitney, Wing, Westonman, York

On motion of Mr. Meun of Limerick the House voted  
 to insist on the vote whereby it passed the  
 resolve to be engrossed, proposed a conference  
 of the two Houses of the Legislature and appointed  
 Messrs. Meun of Limerick, Tapley of Salem, and  
 Johnson of Augusta conferees on the part of the  
 House. The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Resolved in favor of East Maine Conference  
 Seminary, was taken up and considered and  
 the question being on laying it on its table  
 the House ordered the question to be taken by  
 Yeas and Nays and being taken the House refused  
 to lay the resolve on the table by Yeas 21 Nays 89  
 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs.  
 Bunker, Buxton, Cunningham, E. Davis, Fagalls,  
 H. H. Kingsbury, O. E. Libby, J. Libby, Longfellow, Mitchell,  
 L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, Pines, S. R. Pike, J. Porter, Rumney,  
 Ridout, Schiller, B. Smith, Spooner, W. C. Smith

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Andrews,  
 Amelio, Bailey, Bunker, Bean, Beckwith, Budge, Bunker

Brackett, Brown, Bued, Bucknam, H. W. Chadburn,  
 S. Chabot, Chick, Atchland, Conant, J. Davis,  
 Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. H. Drummond, Dunn,  
 Filds, Fisher, Flye, Foy, French, Fuller, Gilbert,  
 Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hays,  
 Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Jenkins, Lee,  
 Kimball, Skingstung, Knapp, Lane, Lighton,  
 Loring, Madary, Maneyes, Marshall, Merrieth,  
 Merrill, Milliken, Morrison, Mulbury, Oliver,  
 W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parker, Patten, Percy, Perkins,  
 Pettengill, T. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt,  
 Prentiss, Quint, Rackliff, Rice, Roark, Rowell,  
 Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, M. C. Smith, Stanley,  
 Stockbridge, Tapley, Tibbels, Tillson, Wallin,  
 Walburn, Weeks, Whiting, Wing, Withman, York.

The question then remains upon the final passage of the  
 motion and the House ordered the Yeas and Nays and  
 being taken the motion was finally passed by  
 Yeas 75 Nays 38 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Andrews  
 Arnold, Banks, Birdwell, Boddy, Brackett, Bunker  
 S. Chabot, Brown, Atchland, Cunningham, Conant, E.  
 Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Fisher, Flye,  
 French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall,  
 J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hale, Hobbs, Ingall, Johnson,  
 Jenkins, S. A. Kimball, Skingstung, S. R. Skingstung,  
 Longfellow, Loring, Maneyes, Marshall, Merrieth,  
 Merrill, Milliken, L. S. Munn, Morrison, Oliver,  
 J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parker, Patten,  
 Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, Price, T. A. Pike, S. Pike,  
 J. Porter, Prentiss, Rackliff, Rice, Rogers, Sully,  
 A. Shaw, Sawyer, Skinner, B. Smith, Stockbridge, W. H.  
 Smith, Tapley, Tillson, Turner, Malwin, Marks,  
 Mulbury, Merdman, York.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bailey  
Beau. Blairlee Brown. Brown. Buchanan Barker  
S. Johnston Chis. R. R. Doremus Lewis. Tuley  
Tapp. Hussey. Holt. Jones. H. Kingd. Knapp. Lamm  
C. C. Libby J. Libby. Madden Mitchell Nutting  
Plummer S. R. Foster Pratt Ranning Rideout  
Rusk. Sheueman. W. C. Smith Spooner. Stanley  
Tibbells Martin Whiting Wing.

and the Resolved  
was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Widman of Bucksport the House  
ordered that when it adjourns it adjourn to  
meet this afternoon at two o'clock.

Resolved in favor of Samuel Wapow was read twice  
and passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Bill an act relating to mortgages of personal  
property and the redemption thereof

Resolved on the May roll of the House

The above bill was now the third time the resolve  
was read twice and they were severally passed  
to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on orders  
relating to the rights of towns where ways are  
laid out by joint boards of County Commissioners  
was taken up and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the dis-  
agreeing vote of the two Houses on Bill an act to in-  
corporate the City of Brunswick respecting amendment

And the passage of the bill as amended. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill amended and as amended passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill amended in concurrence and as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend the Charter of the Augusta Water Power Company. Taken from the table read three and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Admittance at Proviso. Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the resolves to be engrossed.

Bill an act to aid the American Rail road Company increase the value and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands.

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amendment of its indebtedness.

The foregoing bills and resolves came from the Senate that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it refused them a passage to be engrossed. The House insisted on the vote whereby it referred the bills and resolves to the next Legislature. provided a conference of the two Houses and appointed Messrs. Smith of Bangor, Tilton of Rockland and Patten of Fort Fairfield conferees on the part of the House.

Report of Judiciary Committee reporting leave to withdraw on petition of William Walker and others.



Elias H. Witham and others, was taken up and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sully of Madison Order'd that Joseph Sully of Madison be and healy is excused from further attendance upon the House of Representatives on account of sickness in his family and the Treasurer of State is hereby instructed to pay said Sully all that may be due him as made up by the Committee on the Pay roll. Read & passed

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta Order'd that the Treasurer of State be and healy is instructed to pay to Thomas Kenney, member of the House of Representatives the amount made up in the Pay Roll as certified by the Committee. Read and passed.

Bill an act additional to Chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes relating to divorce.

Bill an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances

Bill an act additional to Chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxation.

Resolved to collect certain securities in the Land Office

Resolved in favor of the Westbrook Seminary

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having each had two several readings and each having been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the bills were severally passed to be enacted the resolves

finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bills an act to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors, laid on the table by Mr. Tappan of Sac. Rules suspended read three times amended as per sheet A, on motion of Mr. French of Danversville and being on its passage to be engrossed the House ordered the question to be taken by Yeas and Nays and being so taken the bill was passed to be engrossed by Yeas 93 Nays 17 as follows,

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Amble, Bailey, Braw, Bicknell, Blair, Bond, Brown, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Buckman, Bunker, Coff, Chadbourne, Chick, McElaine, Clement, & Davis, Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Fly, French, Fuller, Gidley, Goodale, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hansen, Henry, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, A. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, W. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Lighton, C. Edibley, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Mearns, Marshals, Merichau, Merid, Milliken, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, Parker, Patten, Peay, Perkins, Pelling, J. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Spooner, Quint, Rackliff, Ramsey, Rice, Road, Rogers, Rowell, Sanford, Sawyer, Stearns, Strain, R. Smith, Mc. Smith, Stanley, Stockbridge, Tappan, Tilton, Wallin, Wathams, Wells, Whitney, Wing, Worthy, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Balch, Benton, Cunningham, Gibb, Ingalls, Keene, J. Libby, L. S. Moore, Maltby, J. Palmer, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, A. B. Shaw, Skellin, Spencer, Tibbels, and the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Adjourned to Two o'clock this afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Resolved on the pay roll of the Senate. Rules suspended. Read twice and proposed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Henry Dinwoodey, Laid on the table by Mr. Woodling of Houston. Rules suspended. Resolved read twice and proposed to be engrossed Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to Chapter eighty one of the Revised Statutes relating to the attachment of property. Laid on the table by Mr. Hyde of New Castle. Rules suspended. Bill read three times and proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved relating to temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State. Laid on the table by Mr. Locust of Binger. Rules suspended. Resolved read twice and proposed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved authorizing the Land Agent to procure a correct map of the State. The yeas refused to reconsider the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the motion. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend sections twelve of Chapter one hundred and thirty four of the Revised Statutes relating to the trial of capital cases. Laid on the table by Mr. Pike of Galois. Rules suspended read twice and this afternoon opened for its third reading. Read the third time and proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Joseph B. Hall and others was read twice and on motion of Mr. Rogers of Stetson it was indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Order from the Senate in relation to printing five thousand copies of the Bill an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops in pamphlet form. Came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and referred to a paper.

Bill an act to amend section one of chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Read twice and then called this afternoon, opinion for its third reading.

Bill an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands, was read the third time and amended as per sheet A. and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend the charter of the Augusta Water Power Company. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed this bill in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta the bill was referred to the next Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to establish salaries for country Commissioners.

Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts.

Bill an act to amend chapter eighty two of the Revised Statutes in relation to filing specifications of defense.



The above bills were severally read three times and indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to establish the office of Auditor in each of the several Counties in this State, came from the Senate with the House amendments A B C D, adopted, also House amendment 1 on shut E, House amendment 2 & 3 on shut E rejected. House amendment F amended as per shut E and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House rejected the Senate amendment G to House amendment F and amended House amendment F by striking out Anderson's gin and needed and concurred in rejecting House amendment E, and inserted upon amendment E, and as thus amended the bill was passed to be engrossed, Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section twelve of chapter one hundred thirty four of the Revised Statutes relating to the trial of Capital cases came from the Senate indefinitely postponed the House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed proposed a conference of the two House and appointed Messrs. Pike of Calais, Woodman of Bucksport and French of DeLima's cotton conference on the part of the House.

Resolution in favor of John B. Hall and others came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote proposing the matter to be engrossed and proposing a conference of the two Houses. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the matter. The matter was sent to the Senate.

An motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, ordered that the Secretary of State be instructed to procure the printing of the blank forms for warrants and returns necessary to be used to carry out the provisions of an act to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors and forward a sufficient number of copies of each to the clerks of the respective cities, towns and plantations in the State.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves authorizing the Secretary of State to keep a book containing accounts of State against parties, dated in the table by Mr. B. N. of Oldtown Rules suspended. Resolved read twice and proposed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act relating to witnesses and evidence was read three times and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bills an act to simplify proceedings in trials for murder came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. Read twice and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bills an act relating to the deposition of parties was read the third time amended as per sheet A. and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was proposed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to County Estimates came from the Senate amended as per sheet A and as amended proposed to be engrossed. The House need a concurrence with the Senate in amending the motion.

and as amended, passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate in relation to furnishing a new clerk for the Secretary, came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the salaries of public officers came from the Senate amended as per sheets A & B and indefinitely postponed. The House voted to insist on its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, proposed a conference of the two Houses and appointed Messrs. Burdy of Brunswick, Johnson of Augusta and Deane of Portland conferees on the part of the House.

Bill an act respecting the punishment of prisoners in the State Prison. Laid on the table by Mr. Buxton of Warren. Rules suspended. Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Buxton from the Joint Select Committee which was referred order relating to the expelling of obstructing certain officers of Reform School, Insane Asylum and State Prison reported a Bill entitled an act to limit the pay of the Trustees of the Maine Asylum and State Reform School and certain officers connected therewith. Report accepted. Bill read twice and four o'clock this afternoon adjourned for its third reading. At four o'clock the bill was now the third time passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter one hundred and thirty six of the Revised Statutes for the collection and disposal of fines and costs in criminal cases came from the Senate, their amendment adopted and the bill indefinitely postponed. The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature and appointed Messrs. Tappan of Saco, Mordmain of Bucksport and Mann of Limerick as conferees on the part of the House.

Report of the Commission on claims upon certain claims for bounty on sick and wounded animals respecting a resolution in favor of the Treasurers of the towns of Hiram, Newry and Chester. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolution proposed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolution read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties in this State came from the Senate that branch asking to amendment. The House reads and concurs in amendment. Passed as amended passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

\*Bill an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House reads and concurs with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Resolution authorizing the Land Agent to procure a correct map of the State. This resolution came from



the Senate that voted nonconcurring with the House in indefinitely postponing the resolve and passed the same to be engrossed. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

Bills an act to amend section one of Chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes was read the third time and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Samuel Wagon.

Resolve for the repair of the Mattawamkeag Bridge in the County of Penobscot.

Resolve in favor of Rufus Linnell.

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate.

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House.

Bills an act to incorporate the Acadia Railroad Company.

Bills an act to establish forms of proceedings which may be used in prosecutions under an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops. Approved March 25, 1858. The foregoing resolves having each had ten several readings and the bills had three several readings each, and bills and resolves severally passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the resolves were severally finally passed. the bills were severally

passed to be enacted and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolved in favor of Vassalborough Academy  
Laid on the table by Mrs Weeks of Vassalborough  
read twice and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Sebago, Ordered  
that this House meet at half past five  
o'clock on Monday morning next. Read and hoped.

On motion of Mr. Tapley of Saco, ordered that  
when this House adjourns it adjourn to  
meet this evening at seven o'clock.

Adjourned to evening.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent the Clerk presided  
during the organization of the House in the  
Church of Speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, Ordered  
that in the absence of the Speaker. The order to Wood-  
man be chosen Speaker pro tem. Read and hoped.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Tapley  
of Saco informing that branch of the government  
that in the absence of the Speaker the House had  
made choice of Theodore K. Woodman as Speaker  
pro tem. A similar message was sent to the Governor  
and Council by Mr. Bonds of Biddeford. These  
gentlemen subsequently reported that they had  
discharged the duty assigned them.

Bill an act to limit the pay of the Trustees of the Maine Hospital and State Reform School and certain officers connected therewith. This bill came from the Senate that branch having indefinitely postponed the bill. The House receded and concurred with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. Laid on the table by Mr Pike of Maine's. Rules suspended till read three several times and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves for the enlargement of the State Prison came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. Read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty four of the Revised Statutes relative to the trial of capital cases, came from the Senate that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the bill. On motion of Mr Pike of Maine the House voted to insist on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Resolves in favor of Fiddler J. F. Bryant came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the salaries of public officers. This bill came from the Senate that branch adhering to its former vote indefinitely postponing the bill. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed

the bill to be engrossed.

Bill an act additional to an act approved February nineteenth eighteen hundred and fifty eight altering the time for holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln.

Resolves relating to bounty estimates

Bill an act to amend sections seventeen and eighteen of Chapter seventeen of the Revised Statutes relating to steam boilers

Resolves in favor of the Transfers of the towns of Bloomsfield, Naumook and Chester.

Resolves in favor of Fidelity J. F. Bryant.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having had two several readings and the bills and resolves having severally been passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were finally passed and the bills and resolves were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to Chapter one hundred and thirty six of the Revised Statutes for the collection and disposal of fines and costs in criminal cases. This bill came from the Senate that branch having voted to adhere to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.



Bill an act to amend section one of chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes. This bill came from the Senate that branch insisting on its vote postponing the bill to be engrossed. The House voted to adhere to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Resolves authorizing the Land agent to procure a corrected map of the State came from the Senate that branch insisting on its vote postponing the resolves to be engrossed and proposing a conference. The House voted to adhere to the vote by which it indefinitely postponed the resolves.

Bill an act additional to chapter one hundred and thirty five of the Revised Statutes to secure the confinement of prisoners under sentence of death. This bill came from the Senate postponed to be engrossed. The bill was read three times and indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of German Union Academy. This resolves came from the Senate amendment adopted. and then the resolves indefinitely postponed. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it postponed the resolves to be engrossed.

Resolves establishing a permanent seat of government. Laid on the table by Mr. Porter of Lowell. Resolves read twice, and being on its passage to be engrossed on this question the House ordered the Yeas and Nays, and being taken, the resolves was postponed to be engrossed by Yeas 49 Nays 39 as follows:

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Beane, Blaisdell, Bonam, Brackett, Bucknam,

A. M. Chadbourne, Birmingham, Leonard, J. Davis  
Dean, Dunn, Fildes, Foss, J. Hale, J. H. Hale, Hobbs  
Ingalls Lewis Lane J. Libby, Longfellow, L. S. Mearns,  
J. Palmer, B. F. Parks, J. Parks, Patten, Perkins, Plummer  
J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Redmont, Root, Rogers, Sautons,  
Skillin, W. Smith, Spenser, Starbuck, Stockbridge  
M. C. Sweet, Tapley, Tibbitts, Tibbitts, Trimmer  
Walchman, Whitman,

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bick-  
nell, Brown, Buck, Bunker, C. Chadbourne, Chick  
element, C. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Fisher, Fisk  
Gordale, Hale, Hensley, Hild, Holt, Johnson, Kingsbury,  
R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, Spring, Murchison, Murchison  
Mulliken, Murchison, Oliver, Parker, Perry, Prouty  
Rockliff, Rowell, A. B. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith  
Watkins, Wicks, Wray, Woodman,

and the resolve  
was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Resolve for the enlargement of the State Prison,  
came from the Senate amended as per sheets  
A & B. and as amended proposed to be engrossed.  
The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it  
proposed the resolve to be engrossed. proposed a con-  
ference of the two Houses and appointed Messrs.  
Tibbitts of Rockland, Rice of Hampden, and B. B. B. of  
Brunswick conferees on the part of the House.

Resolve in favor of Daniel R. Stockman came from  
the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House voted  
to adhere to the vote whereby it recommitted the  
resolve to the Committee on State Lands and State  
Roads. The resolve was sent to the Senate.

646. Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government, came from the Senate amended as per sheets A and B, and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House needed and concurred with the Senate in adopting amendments C and B, and as amended the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Henry Dianne.

Resolves authorizing the Secretary of State to keep a book containing accounts of state against persons.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, they were severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act additional to Chapter 135 of the Revised Statutes to secure the confinement of prisoners under sentence of death. This bill came from the Senate that branch having insisted on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a conference of the two Houses. The House voted to adhere to its vote by which it indefinitely postponed the bill.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta was charged with a message to the Senate informing that branch that there were no papers on the table of the Speaker requiring action and asking if there was any business before the Senate which would require the action of the House. He subsequently reported

that he had discharged the duty of James Kim.

Amnepage was received from the Senate through its Secretary informing the House that there were many papers on their table requiring legislative action.

Bill an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances. This bill came from the Senate amended as per that D. and as amended passed to be engrossed. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted.

Bill an act additional to chapter 92 of the Revised Statute, in relation to mill dams, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. Bill read three times and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Milcox Clerk



Monday March 29. 1858.

No Chaplain present.

Bill an act to amend chapter eighty four of the Revised Statutes in relation to levy of execution against towns.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government.

Bill an act to ascertain the mind of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Bill an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in the County of Cumberland.

Bill an act to amend section sixteen of Chapter ninety one of the Revised Statutes relating to lien claims.

Bill an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick.

Resolv for the enlargement of the State Prison.

Resolv relating to temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State.

Bill an act additional to chapter eighty one of the Revised Statutes relating to attachment of property.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings and the resolves having each had two several readings and bills and resolves generally passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly as well

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strictly engrossed the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves severally finally passed and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolves in favor of Theodore C. Woodman. Laid on the table by Mr. Johnson of Augusta. rules suspended. Resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves establishing a permanent seat of government, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House receded and concurred with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the resolves.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Fairfield. Ordered that when the House adjourns it adjourn without day. Read and passed.

Resolves for the better protection of the records in the Land office, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Rules suspended. Resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves locating and designating certain townships for settlement. Laid on the table by Mrs. Patten of Fort Fairfield. Rules suspended, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves for the better protection of the records in the Land office.

Resolves in favor of Theodore C. Woodman.

Resolves locating and designating certain townships for settlement.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. The resolves were severally finally passed signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to amend section one of chapter twenty of the Revised Statutes. Mr. French of Laramieville moved that the House reconsider the vote whereby it adhered to the vote by which it indefinitely postponed the Bill. The House refused to reconsider.

Resolves in favor of Nelson Gilkey Lewis on the table by Mr. Davis of Fairbairn. Resolves suspended Resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.  
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Judiciary Committee on order relating to payment of interest on taxes reporting legislation unconstitutional.

Report of same Committee reporting finally and asking to be discharged. The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Nelson Gilkey. This resolves having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was finally

passed. signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order from the Senate. Ordered that a Committee of three with such as the House may join be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature having acted upon all matters before them are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed and Messrs Berry of Kennebec West and Wapen appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was read and passed in concurrence and Messrs Regus of Seton, Fuller of Freedom, Hall of North Berwick, Keen of Leclumville, Stockbridge of Freeport, Kingdon of Bradford and Watkinson of Orono were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Governor through Mr. Regus its Chairman reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them and the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith communicate to the Legislature through the Secretary of State.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State transmitting a list of the Acts and orders signed by him and further saying that he had no further communication to make.

Mr Skellin of North Yarmouth rose in his place and said.

Mr. Clerk.

As the labors of this session



are about drawing to a close, and the hour of final adjournment having arrived — it seems when all rivalries and controversies should be merged into sentiments of regard and friendship by those who have labored together to promote the public weal — I would therefore in accordance with my own feelings, and in behalf of those with whom I am politically associated, express our acknowledgements to the Speaker and dominant party of this House for the courtesy and respect which has so universally been extended to us during the present Session.

I therefore ask leave to lay on your table the following resolution

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to Hon. Josiah M. Drummond for the ability, urbanity, and impartiality with which he has presided over the deliberations of this House.

The resolution was unanimously passed.

The Speaker thereupon addressed the House as follows:

Gentlemen,

This expression of your approval is in keeping with your kindness and forbearance towards me throughout the session. When I entered upon the discharge of the duties of this position I invoked your assistance and co-operation, there you have ever most generously given me. I shall now remember your kindness with feelings of gratitude, that I am not able to express. We have now closed our duties as legislators. What we have done belongs to the past. The wisdom of our laws the future must determine. Whatever

may be the issue, we know that we have been prompted in our action, solely by motives to do the right and advance the interests of the State. Your deliberations have been unusually harmonious. Whatever differences of opinion have existed, whatever feelings have been excited in the heat of debate have passed away with the cause that gave them birth. And now as we are about to separate, we remember only the pleasant associations we have formed, the recollection of which we shall recall with pleasure as long as memory endures. We should not forget the gratitude due to the "All-wise Giver of every good and perfect gift" that He has not suffered the grim miscreants to invade our ranks, that He has preserved us in life and health in discharge of our laborious duties, and that our loved ones at home have been the object of His watchful care and protection during our separation from them. Gentlemen I wish you a speedy and safe return to your homes and may prosperity ever attend you.

On motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport, the House of Representatives adjourned with out day.

Adjourned.

Attest. George M. Wilcox Clerk.

*Tittes of Acts  
passed by the Legislature of 1858.*

*Public Laws.*

*An act to amend chapter fifty of the public laws of 1857 relating to the salaries of judges of Municipal and Police courts.*

*An act to amend section ten of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes relating to offences against public justice.*

*An act to change the time of holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln.*

*An act additional to chapter seventy seven of the Revised Statutes relating to the Supreme Judicial Court.*

*An act to define intelligibly the Northern Registry district of Andover County.*

*An act to amend chapter thirty eight of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of beef and pork.*

*An act additional to chapter four of the Revised Statutes relating to elections.*

*An act relating to the sale of land warrants by executors and administrators.*

*An act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.*

An act to amend chapter six of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes. 655.

An act for the preservation of certain useful birds,

An act additional to chapter thirty nine of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of lime

An act to amend section fifteenth of chapter fifth of the Revised Statutes relating to lands reserved for public uses,

An act to amend chapter fifty nine of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization,

An act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels.

An act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

An act to amend section twenty four of chapter three of the Revised Statutes relating to the election of assessors and subordinate officers of cities.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and five of the Revised Statutes respecting the limitation of real actions,

An act additional to chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the destruction of moose and deer,

An act to amend chapter forty section fifty three of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of fish from Moosehead Lake,

An act to amend chapters six and eighteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places,



656, An act relating to executions against sheriffs.

An act relating to certain courts in the county of Lincoln,

An act additional to chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks and Banking,

An act to amend chapter forty six of the Revised Statutes relative to demand on stockholders of corporations,

An act to amend the fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes relating to fisheries,

An act to amend chapter forty nine of the Revised Statutes respecting directors of mutual insurance companies

An act to provide for the greater security of travellers and lodgers at inns during fires,

An act additional to chapter sixty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to guardians,

An act in relation to Trustees of railroads,

An act to amend sections fifty and fifty four of chapter forty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks and Banking

An act to amend chapter sixty six of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvent estates,

An act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops,

An act additional to chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes relating to parishes and religious societies

An act amending section twenty of chapter eighty 657,  
of the Revised Statutes relating to Sheriffs.

An act to secure the safety and convenience of  
travellers on Railroads.

An act additional to chapter one hundred  
forty two of the Revised Statutes relating to the  
Reform Schools.

An act in relation to the pay of Fish Wardens.

An act additional to chapter three of the Revised  
Statutes respecting unincorporated townships.

An act relating to reviews.

An act relating to fines and costs of criminal prosecutions.

An act regulating the taxation of costs additional  
to chapter one hundred sixteen of the Revised Statutes.

An act establishing the time for holding the an-  
nual sessions of the Supreme Judicial Court  
as a court of law.

An act relating to the protests of Bills of exchange.

An act additional to chapter sixty of the Revised  
Statutes relating to divorce.

An act additional to chapter six of the Revised  
Statutes relating to taxes.

An act to amend sections 17 and 18 of chapter 17 of the  
Revised Statutes relating to steam boilers.

658. An act to establish forms of proceedings which may be used in prosecutions under an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops approved March 25, 1858.

An act additional to an act approved February seventeenth eighteen hundred and fifty eight altering the time of holding the May term of the Supreme judicial court for the county of Lincoln.

An act to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors.

An act additional to chapter eighty one of the Revised Statutes relating to attachments of property.

An act to amend section sixteen of chapter ninety one of the Revised Statutes relating to lien claims.

An act to amend chapter eighty four of the Revised Statutes in relation to levy of executions against towns.

An act for the suppression of certain common nuisances.

#### Private and special Laws.

An act to incorporate the Cabot Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Preachers Aid Society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church

An act relating to the city of Bath

An act to incorporate the Portland School for 659.  
medical instruction

An act to amend an act entitled "an act to  
incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy  
in Falmouth approved April 15, 1857.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the South  
Bridgton High School.

An act to enlarge the powers of school district  
number four in Winthrop.

An act to incorporate the State of Maine Company.

An act to make valid the doings of the town  
officers of the town of Sebec.

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of  
the County of Oxford to reassess certain taxes.

An act to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the  
Rev<sup>d</sup> David Thurston for writing and publishing  
the history of said town.

An act respecting School district number four in Winthrop.

An act to incorporate the Mt Hampden High School.

An act to authorize the assessors of Eustis and  
Jackson plantations to settle with former treasurers.

An act to change the names of certain persons.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the  
Trustees of the Maine State Seminary approved March 16, 1855.



660. An act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Portland,

An act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Senall's pond or its outlets

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine Universalist Missionary Society,

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Presque Isle Academy,

An act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond (so called) in the town of Concord,

An act additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland,

An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford,

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Maine Convention of Universalists,

An act to set off Cyrus F. Bryant together with certain real estate from the town of Fairfield and annex the same to the town of Bloomfield,

An act to prevent the destruction of trout in Howard's pond and its tributary waters in the town of Hanover,

An act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Meadow pond or its tributary waters in the town of Islesburgh,

An act to amend the city charter of Bangor so that 661,  
Aldermen and Councilmen shall not hold subordinate  
offices.

An act to incorporate the First Universalist  
Church in Rockland.

An act to incorporate the Southport Mutual  
Fishing Insurance Company.

An act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

An act relating to the Harbor Commissioners of  
Portland harbor.

An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

An act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light  
Company.

An act to establish the salary of the Judge of  
Probate of the County of Penobscot.

An act to prevent the destruction of pickerel  
in the China and Little ponds.

An act to incorporate the Master, Wardens and  
members of Vassalborough Lodge.

An act to incorporate the Mount Hope Ceram-  
ic Corporation.

An act to incorporate the town of Prentiss

An act additional to an act to incorporate  
the City of Portland.

662 An act to extend the charter of the Cherryfield  
Boom Company.

An act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater

An act to make valid the doings of the First Congrega-  
tional Parish of Monmouth.

An act to renew and extend the charter of the Brazier Bank,

An act for the protection of the inhabitants of Levy's  
Island against depredations of hunters.

An act to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society.

An act additional to an act to incorporate the Ashaw  
Lime Rock Company.

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of Wildwood Cemetery.

An act to divide the congregational parish in the town of Sanfords.

An act to authorize a change in the location of  
the Skerreygan Bank.

An act to make valid the proceedings of the town  
of Franklin.

An act to empower the collector of Atkinson for the  
Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
fifty six to close collection of school district tax  
for district number five in Atkinson same year.

An act additional to an act to authorize the town  
of Millis to erect and maintain a toll bridge for  
a limited time approved August 8, 1848.

An act to change the name of the Methodist Society in 663,  
Portland,

An act to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire  
Insurance Company,

An act to authorize the extension of Jackson point  
wharf in Newcastle,

An act to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Company,

An act to incorporate the East Branch, Mattamoras  
Saw Company,

An act repealing an act to incorporate the Port-  
land Marine Railway,

An act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield,

An act to authorize Samuel Averill 2<sup>nd</sup> to build a  
wharf in Newcastle,

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of Maine  
Wharf in Portland,

An act to set off a part of the town of Jefferson and  
annex the same to the town of Newcastle,

An act to incorporate the North Leeds Steam-  
mill and Manufacturing Company,

An act to reduce the capital stock of the  
Eastern Bank at Bangor,

An act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual  
Fire Insurance Company,



664. An act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels.

An act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel, in Sebago pond and its tributaries.

An act to enable the inhabitants of Orono to pay Willard B. White, an additional sum for building a bridge.

An act to set off the town of Greenfield and townships number one and two in the county of Hancock and annex the same to the county of Penobscot.

An act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association.

An act additional to acts incorporating the city of Portland.

An act additional to an act incorporating the Waldo Mill Company.

An act to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Millbridge harbor.

An act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brownfield.

An act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lowell Bank.

An act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta.

An act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St Croix river.

An act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners Bank.

An act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire 665.  
Insurance Company,

An act to change the names of certain persons.

An act to authorize Limestone plantation to  
raise money to repair roads in said plantation.

An act to incorporate the Maine Granite Company.

An act to authorize the town of Millbridge to pur-  
chase or hire a bridge.

An act to authorize Eustis plantation to raise  
money for the repair of roads and bridges in said plantation.

An act to incorporate the Waverick Bank.

An act to incorporate the St Louis Gas Light Company.

An act to amend chapter one hundred twenty three  
of the special laws of Eighteen hundred fifty seven  
relating to the Augusta Free Bridge Company.

An act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution.

An act to incorporate the Portland and New York  
Steamship Company.

An act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company.

An act to set off certain lands from Poland and  
annex the same to Otisfield.

An act to incorporate the Robbinston Far-  
mers Club.

666 An act to set off certain lands from Poland  
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An act to increase the salaries of the Judge of  
Probate and of the Register of Probate in the  
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An act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank,

An act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank,

An act to authorize a reduction in the capital  
stock of the Richmond Bank,

An act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank

An act to make valid the proceedings of School  
districts number three and six in Dresden,

An act additional to an act to incorporate the  
Long Reach Bank,

An act to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath,

An act to make valid the doings of school district  
number five in the town of Parkman,

An act for the preservation of trout in certain waters,

An act additional to incorporate the Bangor  
Oldtown and Midford Railroad Company

An act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company

An act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom  
and Log Driving Company,

An act to incorporate the town of Somerville, 667.

An act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

An act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliottsville

An act to change the names of certain persons.

An act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Institution for Savings.

An act relating to the distribution of school money in Gardiner.

An act to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank.

An act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport.

An act additional to an act incorporating the Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge.

An act additional to an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary approved March 16, 1855.

An act for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight amounting to two hundred thousand nine hundred nineteen dollars thirty cents.

An act to incorporate the Newstock Railroad Company.

An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.



668. An act to incorporate the city of Brunswick.

An act to create and establish the office of Auditor in the county of Cumberland.

*Titles of Resolves,  
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Resolve in favor of the town of West Gardiner.

Resolve in relation to printing certain documents.

Resolve authorizing a renewal of a portion of the State debt.

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over and near the forks of the Mattawamkeag river.

Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis and Lewy Brewster.

Resolve in favor of incorporated plantations.

Resolve providing for the distribution of the annual report of the Superintendent of common schools.

Resolve in favor of Henry Lepton.

Resolve in favor of L. J. Boothby and Charles Turner.

Resolve in favor of Daniel Winslow.

Resolve in favor of Samuel Clark.

Resolve in favor of Sanford Noble.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion 669.  
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Resolve providing for the payment of Roll of  
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Resolves relative to bounty in codfisheries,

Resolve in favor of the committee on the State  
Reform School,

Resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands,

Resolve in favor of John Parent,

Resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowes,

Resolve in favor of John Attean and John Neptune,

Resolve relating to the Passamaquoddy Indians,

Resolve relating to taxes on Holbrook Islands,

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Resolve in favor of Mastus Smith & Co

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670. Resolve in aid of building mills in township  
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Resolve in favor of Committee on State Prison

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Resolve in relation to trespassers on the public lands.

Resolves relating to Kansas Affairs.

Resolve in favor of John Mc Cluskey.

Resolve in favor of the <sup>\*</sup>Insane Hospital.

Resolve in favor of John A. Cleaveland.

Resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goodale.

Resolve for the repair of the Military roads.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across  
the north branch of Dead river in the County of Franklin

Resolve in favor of the Panamagooday Indians

Resolve relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis and Dayton.

Resolve in relation to township L range two.

Resolve in favor of the treasurers of the towns of  
Bethel, Stoneham and Clifton also of A. Spooner

Resolve providing for an appropriation for the State Reform School

Resolve providing for surveying and marking the 67th,  
State line between Maine and New Hampshire.

Resolve in aid of repairing a road and building a  
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Resolve relating to the report of Albert T Wheelock.

Resolve for the repair of road in Letter B. range one.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and  
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Resolve to promote the education of the Pudoct Indians.

Resolve relating to the compensation of the Commis-  
sioner at Washington.

Resolve in favor of Owen Currier.

Resolve for the payment of additional Roll of  
accounts number thirty eight.

Resolve for the repair of roads and bridges in  
the county of Moosehead.

Resolve for the repair of the roads in Indian townships.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Hog  
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Resolve in favor of Rufus Linnal, Daniel W.  
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