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Augusta Wednesday January 1. 1855

This being the day designated by the Constitution of this State for the meeting of the Legislature thereof. the following gentlemen, having been elected by the people, and summoned by the Governor and Council appeared in the Senate chamber, to wit, from the

First Senatorial District.

Isaac Deering.
Frederic A Wood.

Second Senatorial District.

David Dunn
James Strait.
Alpheus S. Holden.
Randall Skillin.

Fourth Senatorial District.

Asa Smiley.
Ezekiel Holmes.

Fifth Senatorial District.

Guydon Chadwick.
George Knowlton.
Charles Sargent.

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Sixth Senatorial District
Richard Warner.

Seventh Senatorial District
Samuel Shaw.

Eighth Senatorial District
William R. Miller.
William Rose.
John H. Pittsburg.

Fourteenth Senatorial District
William Frye.
Stephen H. Chase.
Silas Barnard.

The convention was called to order by
Mr Dering on whose motion Mr Dunn
was chosen chairman.

Mr Dering was appointed a committee to wait on the Governor and inform that a quorum of the Senators elect is in attendance, and is ready to take and subscribe the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. He having attended to the duty assigned him, reported that the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend in the Senate chamber and administer the necessary oaths.

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Whereupon the Governor and Council 3
came in attended by the Secretary of
State. before whom the Senators elect took
and subscribed the oaths required by the con-
stitution, to qualify them to enter upon
the discharge of their official duties.
After which the Governor and his atten-
dants withdrew.

Mr Rose announced that Manly B.
Townsend Senator elect was present
and ready to be qualified

Mr Rose accompanied him to the
council chamber where in presence of
the Governor and Council he took and sub-
scribed the oath required by the con-
stitution to qualify him to enter upon
the discharge of his official duties.

He then took his seat in the conven-
tion.

Mr Miller announced that Matthew
Hastings Senator elect was present
and ready to be qualified

Mr Miller accompanied him to the
council chamber where in presence of the
Governor and Council he took and sub-
scribed the oaths required by the consti-
tution to qualify him to enter upon the
discharge of his official duties. He then
took his seat in the convention.

Mr Smiley announced that Edwards
Swan Senator elect was present and ready

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to be qualified.

Mr Sprinley accompanied him to the council chamber where in presence of the Governor and council he took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties. He then took his seat in the convention.

On motion of Mr Rose, Messrs Rose, Holden and Sprinley were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for President. The committee attended to that duty and reported that the whole number of votes collected is

Necessary to a choice 22.

Manly B Townsend has 18.

William Frye " 1

Edward Swan " 1

Ezekiel Holmes " 1

Blake " 1

Manly B Townsend was accordingly declared duly elected. He signified his acceptance of the office in the following address.

Senators:

Permit me, before entering upon the public duties assigned us, to tender to you my hearty thanks for the partiality accorded to me in being selected to the honorable and responsible task

Looking back to the eminent qualifications that have commended my predecessors to this place; I cannot but distrust my own ability to preside at your boards in a manner satisfactory to my own judgment and wish.

Having had but little acquaintance with legislative business and the rules of Parliamentary law. I rely much upon the kindness, assistance and subcarance of my associates and co-labourers in the field assigned us, for a successful and speedy termination of our labors. Feeling well assured of the generous aid which your better judgment and experience will furnish to the prompt and patriotic accomplishment of the public trusts temporarily committed to our care, I accept with feelings of gratitude and pleasure the office assigned me, pledging, without partiality, my best judgment and efforts in assisting your labors.

Looking to the Creator of the Universe as the source of all wisdom, light and truth, to strengthen our good purposes, let us each lay aside every interest and consideration which has not for its great and leading motive the advancement, prosperity and happiness of the people of Maine.

On motion of Mr. Dunn. Messrs Dunn

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Holmes and Barnard were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary. The committee attended to the duty assigned it and reported that the whole number of votes collected was 20

Necessary to a choice 11

James O L Foster has 19.

Joseph Burton " 1.

James O L Foster was declared duly elected and took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution before James W Bradbury Esquire authorized by *dedimus potestatem* in presence of the Senate.

Mr Swan was charged with a message to inform the Governor and Council that the Senate is organized by the choice of Mauley B Townsend as President and James O L Foster as Secretary.

Mr Dunn was charged with a message to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate is organized by the choice of Mauley B Townsend as President and James O L Foster as Secretary.

On motion of Mr Rose ordered that the secretary be authorized to employ an assistant.

On motion of Mr Skillin Mps Skillin

Holmes and Wood were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Meppenger.

The committee attended to the duties assigned it and reported that the whole number of votes collected was 19

Necessary to a choice 10

Benjamin F. Cutler has 18

Eleazer S. Patten " 1

Benjamin F. Cutler was accordingly declared duly elected Meppenger.

On motion of Mr. Rose, ordered that Messrs. Rose, Hastings and Chadwick be a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Chaplain.

The committee attended to the duties assigned it, and reported that the whole number of votes collected was 15

Necessary to a choice 8

John H. Ingraham has 14

Rev Mr. Ingraham " 1

John H. Ingraham was accordingly declared duly elected Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Rose ordered that Messrs. Rose, Warren and Kimball be a committee to wait on the Rev John H. Ingraham and inform him of his election as Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Miller ordered that the Meppenger be authorized to employ

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an assistant.

The Secretary of State came in and laid upon the table a list of the votes given in the several cities, towns and plantations in this State for Senators for the current political year, and the same were referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs Dering, Skillew, Barnard, Rose, Shaw, Sargent, Stout, Holmes and Knoutson.

The Secretary of State came in and laid upon the table a list of the votes given in the several cities, towns and plantations for Governor for the current political year, and the same on motion of Mr Faye were referred to a joint select committee, consisting of Messrs Faye, Pillsbury, Dunn, Wauw, Chase, Smiley, Hastings, Holden, Wood, Chadwick and Rose.

Sat down for concurrence.

Came up with Messrs Wildman of Wells, Gerry of Waterford, Barnes of Portland, Moore of Ellsworth, Greene of Topsham, Talbot of East Machias, Howe of Readfield, Freeman of Newidgwick, Prentiss of Gen, Haley of Frankfort, Tyler of Wells, Spaul of Saugerville, and Pollard of Massadaid joined in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dering, ordered that the rules and orders of the last session

1845 be the rules and orders of this session
until otherwise ordered.

A message was received from the House
informing the Senate that that body
was organized by the choice of Moses
McDonald as Speaker and Samuel
Belcher as clerk.

On motion of Mr. Dunn, ordered that
the Secretary of State be directed to
deliver to the Message thirty one co-
pies of the rules and orders of the Sen-
ate of last year.

On motion of Mr. Stoddard, ordered that the
Secretary of State be requested to deposit
in the archives of the Senate the jour-
nals of past sessions.

On motion of Mr. Chadwick, ordered that
Messrs. Chadwick, Chase and Shaw be a
committee with such as the House may
join to contract with some suitable
person to watch the public buildings
in the night time with a compensa-
tion not to exceed one dollar per night.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn, ordered that the
Senate hold one session each day till
otherwise ordered, commencing at eleven
o'clock in the forenoon.

On motion of Mr. Shout the Senate
Adjourned. S. O. L. G. S. S. S.

Thursday January 2.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr Holden. Ordered, that the Secretary of the Senate prepare thirty tickets with the number of the respective seats at the Senate Board, and that each member draw one of said tickets, and take such seat as shall be numbered on said ticket, and occupy the same during the session, unless otherwise ordered by the President.

Mr Rose from the committee to wait upon the Rev Mr Ingraham and inform him of his election as chaplain to the Senate.

Reported, that the committee had attended to that duty, and that Mr Ingraham accepted the situation.

The Secretary informed the Senate through the President that he had employed John H Boynton assistant Secretary.

Mr Deering from the committee to whom was referred the votes given for Senators in the several cities, towns, and plantations in this State for the current political year made the following Report.

That in the first senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is

8809

Necessary to a choice 4405 11

Isaac Owing has. 4603

Frederic A Wood " 4547

James Osbourn " 4445

and are elected.

In the second Senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is 12,066

Necessary to a choice 6034

David Dunn has. 6246

James Strout " 6226

Randall Skillins " 6259

Stephen S Holdew " 6248

and are elected

In the third Senatorial district the whole number of ballots returned and counted is 11,274

Necessary to a choice 5638

Ezra B French has 5562

Benjamin Otis " 5505

Henry Tallman " 5568

Joseph Berry " 5563

Oscar Eaton " 5216

William Perkins " 5202

Algernon S Austin " 5183

Philip M Garcelow. 5151

and are the constitutional candidates from whom an election is to be made to fill the four existing vacancies in said district

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In the fourth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is

8,935

Necessary to a choice 4,468

Eduard Swan has 5,337

Ezekiel Holmes " 5,340

Asa Smiley " 5,224

and are elected.

In the fifth Senatorial District the number of ballots returned and counted is

8,785

Necessary to a choice 4,393

Gaydon Chadwick has 5,625

George Knowlton " 5,283

Charles Sargent " 5,302

and are elected.

In the sixth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is

2,777

Necessary to a choice 1,389

Richard Warren has 1,531

and is elected.

In the seventh Senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is

4,159

Necessary to a choice 2,080

Samuel Shaw has 2,161

and is elected.

1845 In the eighth Senatorial District the 13
whole number of ballots returned and
counted is 2911
Necessary to a choice 1456
Matthew Hastings has 1477
and is elected.

In the ninth Senatorial District the
whole number of ballots returned and
counted is 2202
Necessary to a choice 1102
Abner B. Townsend has 1479
and is elected.

In the tenth Senatorial District the
whole number of ballots returned and
counted is 10330
Necessary to a choice 5166
William K. Miller has 5684
Winn W. Rose " 5595
John H. Pillsbury " 5618
and are elected.

In the eleventh Senatorial District the
whole number of ballots returned and
counted is 2679
Necessary to a choice 1340
Joseph S. Monroe has 1249
Thomas S. Puller " 1134
and are the constitutional candidates
from whom an election is to be made
to fill the existing vacancy in said dis-
trict.

In the twelfth Senatorial District the
whole number of ballots returned and
counted is 6428

Thursday January 21.
 Necessary to a choice 3,215
 Abner Coburn has 3,185
 George C Getchell has 3,146
 Rufus H Patten " 2,699
 Joseph Barrett " 2,671

and are the constitutional candidates from whom an election is to be made to fill the two existing vacancies in said District.

In the thirteenth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is 3,323

Necessary to a choice 1,662
 Moses Shulman has 1,616
 Daniel Howe " 1,243

and are the constitutional candidates from whom an election is to be made to fill the vacancy in said District.

In the fourteenth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots returned and counted is 9,375

Necessary to a choice 4,686
 William Faye has 5,929
 Silas Barnard " 5,962
 Stephen H Chase " 5,948

and are elected.

In the eleventh District, in the return of the town of Kingsbury the number of the District is omitted in the body of the return, but was allowed by the committee.

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the return of the selectmen of the town
of Palmyra that there was one vote re-
ceived after the declaration of votes was
made and it was rejected by your
committee.

In the fourteenth Senatorial District
in the return of the town of Roxbury
the name of the town and District
is omitted in the body of the return but
was allowed by the committee.

In the same District in the return
of Plantation Letter A N^o 2. in the
body of the return the fourth is inserted in-
stead of the fourteenth district. allowed
by the committee.

In the same District in the return
from Plantation Letter B. in the body
of the return the attestation of the
clerk's name is omitted. but the re-
turn is allowed by the committee.
all of which is respectfully submitted
Read and accepted.

On motion of Mr Durw. ordered that
a message be sent to the House of
Representatives informing that body
that vacancies exist at the Senate board
as follows: viz.

In the third Senatorial District there
are four vacancies and Ezra B French,
Ebenzer Otis, Henry Tallman, Joseph
Bury, Oscar Eaton, Algernon S Austin.

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Philip M. Barclow, and Nahum Perkins are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the eleventh District one vacancy and Joseph S. Mouroc and Thomas S. Pullen are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the twelfth District two vacancies, and Rufus W. S. Porter, Joseph Barrett, Abner Colburn and George S. Getchett are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the thirteenth District one vacancy and Moses Shurtum and Daniel Howes are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

And the Senate propose a concursion of both branches of the Legislature to be held in the Hall of the House of Representatives this afternoon at half past two o'clock for the purpose of filling the said vacancies, and ask the concurrence of the House.

Which message was conveyed by this Secretary.

A message was received from the House that that body non-concurred the Senate in its proposition for a concursion of the two branches of the Legislature to be held this day at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, and proposed a concursion

1845 for that purpose to be held in the Hall 17
of the House of Representatives at half
past ten o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

The message on motion of Mr Duran
was laid on the table.

The messenger announced through the
President that he had employed Calvin
P. Kermith as an assistant.

The order appointing a joint select com-
mittee to employ some suitable person to
watch the public buildings in the night
time, came from the House with Messrs
Wildman of Wells, Holman of Dixfield,
Hoxie of Selco, Mciver of Vassalboro and
Neal of Wiscasset joined in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Duran ordered that
when the Senate next adjourns, it adjourn
to meet tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

Adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Order from the House appointing Messrs Chapman of Andover, Barnes of Portland, Kimball of Canton, Paine of Bangor, and Blaney of Bristol with such as the Senate may join, a committee to prepare and report joint rules for the government of the Senate and House was passed in concurrence and Messrs Dunn, Frye and Swan joined on the part of the Senate.

The message from the House informing the Senate that that body now concurred the Senate in its proposition for a convention of the two branches of the Legislature to fill the vacancies in the third, seventh, twelfth and thirteenth Senatorial Districts and proposing a convention at half past ten o'clock this day for that purpose was taken up, and on motion of Mr Dunn, the Senate concurred in the proposition, and the Secretary informed the House.

Report of the committee on the State valuation appointed by the last Legislature to make a new valuation for this State came from the House referred to a joint

145 select committee, consisting on the part 19
of the House of Messrs Alderman of Wells,
Barnes of Portland, Blaney of Bristol, Per-
kins of Augusta, Lee of Howlands, Kelsey
of Guilford and Hayden of Eastport. The
Report on motion of Mr Dunn was laid
on the table.

The Convention

Agreeably to assignment the two Houses
met in convention, for the purpose of
electing Senators to fill the vacancies in
the third, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth Sen-
atorial Districts.

Messrs Pillsbury and Chase of the Senate,
and Blaney of Bristol, Greene of Topsham,
and Adams of Thomaston of the House were
appointed a committee to receive, sort and
count the votes for four Senators to fill the
vacancies in the third District.

The committee attended to the duties as-
signed it and reported that the whole
number of ballots collected was 160

Necessary to a choice 81

Henry Pattman has 106

Ebenezer Otis " 106

Ezra B French " 106

Joseph Berry " 105

Nathan Perkins 53

Oscar Paton 53

Algernon S Austin 53

Philip M Garcelon 53

Joseph W Berry 1

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Abner Colburn 1

George L. Getchell 1

The report was accepted and Henry Tallman, Ebenezer Ohio, Ezra B French and Joseph Wenz declared duly elected Senators from said district.

Meigs Durwin and Rose of the Senate and Lane of Sangerville. Daine of Bangor and Lee of Houland of the House were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Senator to fill the vacancy in the fourth district. The committee attended to the duty assigned it and reported that the whole number of ballots collected was.

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Necessary to a choice 79

Joseph S Monroe has 106

Thomas S Pullen " 50

Joseph Monroe " 1

The report was accepted and Joseph S Monroe declared duly elected Senator to fill the vacancy in said district.

Meigs Miller and Smiley of the Senate Mildmay of Wells. Barnes of Portland, and Talbot of East Machias were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Senator to fill the vacancy in the twelfth District. The committee attended to the duty assigned it and reported that the whole number of ballots collected was.

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Necessary to a choice 79

Joseph Barrett	has	104	<u>21</u>
Rufus H. J. Porter	"	104	
Abner Colburn	"	53	
George C. Getchell	"	53	

The report was accepted and Joseph Barrett and Rufus H. J. Porter were declared duly elected Senators to fill the vacancies in said district.

Atkins Chase and Hastings of the Senate and Tyler of Weld, Hayden of Eastport and Holman of Winfield were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Senator to fill the vacancy in the thirteenth district.

The committee attended to the duty assigned it and reported that the whole number of ballots collected was

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Necessary to a choice 79

Moses Shurtown has 106

Daniel Howes " 51

The report was accepted and Moses Shurtown declared duly elected Senator to fill the vacancy in said district.

The countermen then separated.

On motion of Mr. Dunn, ordered that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify Ezra B. French, Henry Tallman, Ebenezer Chris. and Joseph Bury, that they have been duly elected to fill the vacancies in the Senate, in the third Senatorial district, and Joseph S. Munroe, that he has been elected to fill the vacancy in the

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Eleventh Senatorial district, and Rufus R & I Porter and Joseph Barnett that they have been elected to fill the vacancies in the twelfth Senatorial, and Moses Shurtum that he has been elected to fill the vacancy in the thirteenth Senatorial district.

Mr Dunn announced that Henry Tallman, Ebenezer Ohio, Joseph Berry, Joseph S. Munroe, Rufus R & I Porter and Joseph Barnett and Moses Shurtum, Senators elect were present and ready to be qualified.

Mr Dunn accompanied them to the council chamber when in presence of the Governor and Council they took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. They then took their seats at the Senate board.

Mr Hastings announced that Ezra B French Senator elect was present and ready to be qualified.

Mr Hastings accompanied him to the council chamber when in presence of the Governor and Council he took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties. He then took his seat at the Senate board.

Mr Page from the committee to which was referred the votes given in the several cities, towns and plantations in this State for Governor for the current political year reported, that the whole number of votes for Governor, legally and constitutionally returned from the several cities, towns and plantations in the State is ninety three thousand eight hundred and fifty two; that the number of votes necessary to make an election is forty six thousand nine hundred and twenty seven. That Hugh A. Anderson has forty eight thousand nine hundred and forty two; Edward Robinson has thirty eight thousand five hundred and one; and James Appleton has six thousand two hundred and forty five; and that all other persons have one hundred and sixty four; and that Hugh A. Anderson, having received four thousand and thirty two votes more than all other persons, is constitutionally elected governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

The returns were generally characterized by accuracy, fairness and a compliance with statutory and constitutional requirements. In all instances of informality, and seeming departure from law, which have presented themselves to the notice of the committee, the defects were almost universally of a nature and character so similar to, and often identical with cases which have been acted upon and decided by former Legislatures, and thus coming so obviously within the scope of numerous

established precedents, the committee have thought it unnecessary to advert in their report, to any irregularities in the returns, except in instances in which the irregularities were considered to be fatal to the returns, and the votes were consequently rejected.

In the return from the town of Roxbury the whole number of ballots given in was duly stated, but no mention was made of the number of votes thrown for any person. This was rejected.

By the return from the town of Palmyra it appeared that two votes were received by the selectmen after the polls were closed and the votes were declared. One of these votes was given for Hugh S. Anderson and one for Edward Robinson. These votes were not counted.

All which is respectfully submitted.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose, ordered that Messrs. Rose, Shaw and Porter be a committee with such as the House may join to wait upon the Hon. Hugh S. Anderson and inform him that he has been constitutionally elected governor of the State of Maine for the current political year, and that the two branches are ready to convene in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering the necessary oaths to qual-

1845 ify him to enter upon the discharge of 25
his official duties.

(Sent down for concurrence.

Came up with Messrs Beaw of Belfast,
Allen of Alfred, Chadwick of Portland,
Blaney of Bristol, Moore of Ellsworth and
Wynne of St Albans joined in concurren-
ce.

The committee attended to the duty as-
signed it and reported that the gov-
ernor was pleased to say that he ac-
cepted the trust and was ready to be
qualified.

On motion of Mr Duru, ordered that a
message be sent to the House of Repre-
sentatives proposing a convention of both
branches of the Legislature to be held
forthwith in the Representatives Hall
for the purpose of qualifying the govern-
or elect and asking the concurrence of
the House. (The message was conveyed
by the Secretary).

A message was received from the House
concurring in the foregoing proposition
for a convention to qualify the governor
elect.

In Convention.

Agually to assignment the two branches
of the Legislature met in convention in
the Hall of House of Representatives for
the purpose of qualifying the governor
elect.

Mr Duru was charged with a message to the governor elect informing him that the two Houses have met in convention, and are now ready to administer to him the oaths required by the constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

After which Hugh J. Anderson came in attended by the council, Secretary of State, and the Sheriff of Kennebec, and before the President of the Senate in presence of the two Houses of the Legislature, took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of the duties devolving on him as governor of the State of Maine.

The Secretary of State then made proclamation as follows:

"The votes for governor for the current political year which have been duly returned into the office of Secretary of State having been examined and counted by the Legislature, it appears therefore that Hugh J. Anderson had a majority of all the votes given; and having in presence of the two branches of the Legislature in convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office: I now declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all goods

1845 citizens thereof, that Hugh S. Andrew 27
is Governor and commander in chief
of the State of Maine, and that due
obedience should be rendered to all
his lawful acts and commands."
"God Save the State of Maine."
The convention then separated.

On motion of Mr. Dunn ordered, that
when the Senate adjourns, it adjourns
to meet at half past two o'clock this
afternoon.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Deering, ordered that
Messrs Deering, Tallman, and Colden, be a
committee to wait on the governor and
inform him that the Senate is now in
session and ready to receive any com-
munication he may be pleased to
make.

The committee attended to the duty as-
signed it and reported that the gov-
ernor was pleased to say that he would
forthwith communicate through the
Secretary of State.

The following message was received through
the secretary of State.

Gentlemen of the Senate.

and House of Representatives.

The favorable circumstances under which
we are assembled, are calculated to awa-

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new emotions of gratitude and praise to the Supreme and Beneficent Ruler, who influences the destinies, and controls the affairs of both Nations and individuals.

In entering upon the duties of our respective Stations, it becomes us humbly to acknowledge His paternal goodness, to invoke upon the government and people of our State and nation, His continued favor, and on the result of our coming labors His approbation and blessing.

To all classes of our fellow citizens the past year has been one of moderate but solid success: commerce has measurably revived from its languor: industry has been gradually resuming its wonted activity: and all the channels of profitable employment have invited and remunerated the labour of man.

To these gratifying indications of returning prosperity, have been added the higher and more material enjoyment of general health and profound tranquillity: a productive harvest has filled our granaries and a pervading sentiment of confidence and security exists among the people.

Surrounded by these multiplied tokens of the public welfare, you will enter upon the performance of your legislative duties, under circumstances peculiarly favorable. I trust we may be justified in anticipating, that these duties will

1875 neither arduous nor embarrassing; and 29.
that in the absence of agitating questions
of public policy to distrust your coun-
cils, the various subjects of local inter-
est, which the wants of a growing and
active population continually suggest
may receive your careful and undivided
attention.

Since the date of my last annual
communication to the Legislature,
no essential change in the condi-
tion of our finances has taken place.
The large sum which had previously
been received from the general gov-
ernment, had then been some time
in the Treasury, and with the means
of paying a considerable portion
of the State debt, the Treasurer was
unable to procure, within the terms
prescribed by the Legislature a sur-
render of the Stock.

By a Resolve of the last session the
amount received and to be received
from the general government was
appropriated to the payment of so
much of the public debt; and the
Treasurer authorized to anticipate
the payment of State securities up-
on such terms, as he might consid-
er advantageous to the interest of the
State. Notwithstanding the enlarged
powers given to the Treasurer by that
resolve, he has failed to obtain upon
satisfactory or reasonable terms,
the necessary amount of State scripts.
The low rate of interest in the priv-

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cial markets, combined with the high character of our State stocks, has rendered it impossible to procure them except by payment of large premiums. The whole amount of State stock which the Treasurer, after diligent research has been able to obtain since the date of his last report is \$72,500. These stocks consisted chiefly of the six per cents, redeemable in the year 1845 and 1857; and were purchased at an average rate of premium, which would render the transaction equivalent to an investment on the part of the State in a five per cent stock. There remains in the Treasury, applicable to the purchase of State securities, by the Resolue referred to, upwards of two hundred and ninety six thousand dollars. There will become due in the early part of the present year, two hundred and twenty two thousand dollars bearing an interest of six per cents; after the payment of which there will still remain, of money appropriated last year for the liquidation of the debt, the sum of seventy four thousand dollars. It affords me great pleasure to be able also to inform you, that independently of these funds set apart for the payment of the public debt, the condition of the Treasury is highly satisfactory. The whole amount of receipts from ordinary sources during the year have amounted to the sum

1845 of three hundred and sixty six thousand³¹
and eight hundred and eighty five
dollars, and the expenditures, during
the same period to two hundred and
ninety thousand, five hundred and fif-
ty eight dollars, leaving a balance of
receipts over expenditures of Seventy six
thousand thousand, three hundred and
twenty seven dollars.

This balance, added to that appropri-
ated last year to the payment of the
debt, and still remaining in the Treas-
ury will form an aggregate of means
now on hands, and needed for no other
purpose, of three hundred and sev-
enty two thousand dollars.

In addition to these means, there is still
a claim upon the general government
amounting to nearly two hundred
thousand dollars, some of which has
been already allowed, and all of
which is justly due to the State.

From the agent employed in attend-
ing to the examination of these claims
before the accounting officers of the Treas-
ury, in Washington, I have received
no detailed report.

I am advised, however by recent
communications from him, that they
are progressing with the examination
of the different items, and that he hopes
to close his labours in season to sub-
mit his report before the close of your
present Session.

It is gratifying to perceive by this expo-
sition, that from the ordinary sources of

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revenue, our debt is in the process of gradual reduction, and that a few years will suffice to relieve the people from the heavy drain upon their resources.

Pursuing, as I trust we shall, in a system of rigid economy, avoiding unnecessary expenditures and continuing a reasonable amount of Tax, our fellow citizens will soon be able to rejoice over their deliverance from this formidable burthen, and enjoy the satisfaction of having, during the present generation, removed an incumbrance, which their own want of foresight and wisdom had principally created.

An interesting and highly satisfactory report from the Land agent, is herewith communicated.

It will be seen, that the revenue from that department has considerably increased from the amount received during the preceding year.

The agent has paid into the Treasury, one hundred and seven thousand dollars: expended upon roads under Resolves of the Legislature, five thousand, five hundred dollars: and paid to the commissioners who have been employed in locating grants to the settlers upon the St. Johns three thousand dollars. These sums with a balance reported as still on hands make an aggregate of one hundred and twenty one thousand dollars, besides which all the expenses of the department, except the salary of the agent have been paid

The appropriations made by the Legislature for the repair of roads, seem to have been judiciously expended, and have greatly facilitated the business operations of our citizens, and contributed to the comfort and convenience of the public. The road from the Acrostook river to Fort Kent, a distance of forty five miles, and which was previously impassable for carriages, has been thoroughly repaired, and the road from Masardis connected with it, has been also essentially improved.

The Acrostook road, leading from the military road to Masardis, and of which the Fish River road is a continuation, is represented as being much out of repair, and in immediate need of aid from the State. The whole of this road, being a distance of sixty four miles, was made at the joint expense of the two States, was finished only a few years since, and has been, until quite recently, in good condition.

Its rapid deterioration is said to be caused by the unreasonably heavy loads which at certain seasons, are transported over it, and which, if permitted in future will actually destroy it. In recommending an appropriation for its repair, I would also suggest, that as the road has been made at great expense, it would be but reasonable, that those whose interest is promoted by its use, should be restricted to loads of a moderate and ordinary weight.

The same suggestion is also applicable to other

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at roads constructed and repaired by the State.

The expenditure for opening and making the road communicating with the Madawaska settlements upon the St John has been for reasons stated in the report of the agent necessarily deferred. as the inducements for prosecuting this important work have lost nothing of their weight, an appropriation similar to that of last year is respectfully recommended.

The small sum placed at the disposal of the Land Agent for the preservation of bridges &c. upon the military road, has been found sufficient for the purpose, and the conditional appropriation under which the Governor and Council were authorized to expend the sum of two thousand dollars has been withheld.

I beg leave to call your attention to the highly favorable account which is given in the report of the operations of the agent appointed under the resolve of the last session, to superintend the establishment of schools among the French settlers upon the St John. The testimony of so considerable and competent an observer, who has had personal opportunities of judging, conclusively proves the expediency of the undertaking. It fully confirms the statements of the Superintendent, and bears honorable witness to the zeal and fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of his mission. The several reports which have been received from him

1845 during the year, give a most gratifying, 35
account of the success which has rewarded his labours, and justify the hope, that a judicious prosecution of the object contemplated by the Legislature, will produce the happiest effects.

I deem it my duty to invite the serious consideration of the Legislature to the present condition of the Militia of this State.

Regarding the maintenance of a standing army in time of peace, as repugnant to the spirit of our institutions and dangerous to the public liberty, it has hitherto been the policy of the State governments to cherish and encourage their local militia; to keep up such an organization, as with little expense to the government or inconvenience to the citizen, would furnish a military force sufficient for any emergency likely to occur.

Repeated attempts have been made by the Legislature of this State to accomplish this desirable object and to place its militia upon a respectable and efficient footing. These laudable and patriotic efforts have as yet proved unsuccessful; nor have they been sufficient to arrest its continued and rapid decline. By your immediate predecessor the task was again renewed, and apparently in despair of improving its condition, a measure nearly fatal to its existence was adopted. The law passed at the last session can

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can be regarded as little less than a virtual abandonment of the whole system, or if under its operation, the forms of an organization are still preserved, the system will be without vitality, and of but little practical use. Defective and unequal as many of the features of the preexisting law may have been, I cannot think its utter demolition was either wise or expedient.

It is true, that the country is now in a state of profound repose, and the amicable relations generally existing with foreign nations, warrant the hope, that these peaceful and friendly appearances may be solid and durable. Neither is there reason to apprehend that any domestic tumult will disturb our internal tranquillity; nor any organized opposition to the laws, require the employment of a military force.

But however remote the contingency may now appear, which would call for military preparation, we should be deaf to all the lessons of experience, if we failed to consider that it might suddenly and unexpectedly force itself upon us. Is it then politic or wise to be wholly unprepared for those attacks from without, or disturbances within, which the histories of all countries teach us, it may not at all times, be possible to prevent?

It is not my purpose to present any distinct or precise plan. But in view

I feel bound to suggest the importance of providing for the organization of a military force less inert and impracticable, than the enrolled militia under the present law must inevitably prove.

Of the operation of the act of twenty second March last to which I have referred, and of the general condition of the militia, the report of the Adjutant General, herewith transmitted will advise you. I also communicate the annual reports of the Superintendent and Directors of the Asylum for the Insane.

By the act of 22d of March 1843, the superintendence and management of this institution were principally confided to a board of trustees, appointed by the governor and council and holding their offices for the term of three years. Under the administration of this board, the affairs of the institution appear to have been judiciously conducted, and the humane purposes contemplated by its establishment satisfactorily accomplished. Selected as they are from different sections of the State, and wholly separated from local or political influences, it is believed that the concerns of the institution may be more properly intrusted to a board thus constituted than to bodies exercising at the seat of government, legislative or executive functions. The number of patients now at

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the asylum is unusually large, and during the past year, the expenses of the establishment, with the exception of the salaries paid to the officers have been discharged from its own resources. Several of my predecessors have invited the attention of the Legislature to the subject of our common schools and have earnestly incited the importance of adopting some additional means of extending their usefulness and elevating their character.

The embarrassed condition of our finances, joined perhaps with a too confident belief in the efficacy of our present system, may have restrained former Legislatures from authorizing additional expenditures for the advancement of these interesting institutions.

When we reflect, however, that upon these primary seminaries, the rising generation principally depend for that measure of education which is necessary to qualify them for usefulness in after life; whatever may be our pecuniary condition the means required to render them worthy the high and exalting purpose for which they were instituted, should be cheerfully granted.

But it is not merely, nor perhaps chiefly by the additional expenditure of money that the improvement of our common schools can be most effectually promoted. A very large sum is now annually expended, much of which in the opinion

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misapplied.

A defective organization, the absence of a watchful and efficient supervision, without which the best contrived system will prove imperfect, the acknowledged deficiency of teachers properly qualified for a vocation so important and the difficulty of obtaining the information which recent experience and observation have accumulated, are impediments to the advancement of our common schools much more formidable than the wants of pecuniary means.

That the system, as now conducted, produces incalculable good, is universally admitted. That it accomplishes all of which it is capable, & all which the growing wants of the age require, the concurrent testimony of its most intelligent friends, sufficiently disproves. To seek out and correct, whatever defects exist in its organization; to encourage and stimulate to greater usefulness its more perfect features; and to enlarge the sphere, and improve the character, of all its operations, is an employment well worthy the highest abilities, and the most devoted patriotism. For no way can the sum of human happiness be more certainly augmented, or the principles of virtue, morality and freedom, so effectually implanted in the hearts of our children.

In presenting this subject to the consideration of the Legislature, I have felt

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The greater confidence, inasmuch as the path of improvement and success is not new, or untried. In several of our sister States, plans for the improvement of their common schools have, from time to time, been suggested and matured, and the best exertions of the highest and most gifted minds, enlisted in their service. In the State of New York, the attention of the Legislature to this subject, has been constant and unremitting. The documents, which, at various periods, have been published by its authority, as well as the reports of its State superintendent, evince a research and ability, and devotion to the cause, which have essentially contributed to the formation of that earnest and decided public sentiment, in relation to common schools, which now prevails in that enlightened and powerful Commonwealth.

Through the agency of a state superintendent, aided by local assistants, one of which is appointed in each county, and by the superintendents chosen by the several towns, a watchful and salutary supervision over all the schools is constantly maintained and their conditions and progress particularly noted. Copious reports, containing the results of personal examination, and abounding in valuable information, are annually transmitted to the state superintendent. By the publication of these reports—by the gratuitous dis-

tribution of a highly valuable periodical, devoted to the cause of education, and by addresses and lectures from the county superintendents, the public attention is awakened - a spirit of emulation excited, and increased vigor and activity imparted to the system.

In Massachusetts also, with a system similar to our own, many improvements have been introduced, which have given new energy and efficiency to the nurseries of morality and learning. The establishment of a board of education, and the institution of normal schools, for the instruction of teachers, are among the means adopted in our parent state, to advance the cause of popular education. The secretary of that board has devoted his time for some years, to the acquisition and dissemination of educational science, and has done much towards awakening an interest in the success of the cause, not only in his own, but in other states.

The results of these enlightened and persevering experiments, have been such as usually flow from energetic and well directed efforts. Their beneficent effects are seen and acknowledged.

A few years since, an act, embodying many of the features of the Massachusetts system, was introduced into the Legislature, and if I am not mistaken, received the sanction of one of

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its branches. With the advantage of a longer experience, and the benefit of more extensive and practical information upon the whole subject, it is hoped, that the attempt may be again renewed.

In commending the inquiry to the consideration of the legislature, I cannot refrain from expressing the hope, that in the views I have presented, I have but reflected the sentiments which prevail among its members; and I am, that in nothing could we more largely contribute to the permanent welfare of our constituents, than by enlarging the capacities, and improving the character, of our primary schools.

By the act of February 23d. 1838, the proceeds of certain townships of land were set apart "for the promotion of education;" and by sec. 50, article 4, chap. 17 of the revised statutes, it is provided, "that the same shall constitute a permanent fund, to be reserved for the benefit of town and district schools; and that the fund so created shall be put out on interest, in such manner as the legislature shall from time to time determine."

This fund has been gradually accumulating, and now amounts to the sum of fifty seven thousand, six hundred and twenty nine dollars. No further steps have yet been taken to execute the provisions of the

1845 act, and the money has heretofore been used 43
for the general purposes of the treasury. I
would respectfully suggest, whether the flourish-
ing condition of our finances, will not now
authorize the investment of this fund, and
the application of the accruing interest to its
future increase.

The quarterly reports of the inspectors of the state
prison, which have been received during the
year, are herewith transmitted, and with the
annual report of the Warden, will advise
you of the condition of that establishment.
The new prison is now nearly completed; is
constructed upon the most approved plan,
and is supposed, by competent judges, to
combine in an eminent degree, the ad-
vantages, which modern improvements have
suggested. The whole expense incurred for
this purpose, will amount to about thirteen
thousand dollars, of which sum, seven thou-
sand dollars has been paid by appropri-
tions from the public treasury.

The erection of the new structure, besides con-
tributing to the discipline of the prison, and
the security of the convicts, will, in the opin-
ion of the Warden, considerably reduce the
expense heretofore found necessary to effect
these objects. The removal of the prisoners,
from the damp and unhealthy dungeons
in which they have been confined, to dry
and comfortable apartments, will greatly
conduce to their health and comfort; it
will render them labor more productive, and
improvement and reformation in their mor-
als and conduct; easier and more practica-
ble. The pecuniary affairs of the of the estate

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Likement are manifestly improving, and appear to have been prudently and judiciously managed; there is reason to hope, that after the ensuing year, the expense of its support may be chiefly defrayed from its own resources.

In some of the neighboring states the legislatures have provided the means of furnishing the convicts, with some moral and religious, or temperance periodical. Where this has been practiced, it has been found to produce a salutary influence, and it is worthy of inquiry, whether a like measure might not be attended with equally beneficial effects, in the prison of this state.

The report of the bank commissioners will be herewith laid before you. For a particular account of the present condition of these institutions, and of their operations during the past year, I refer you to that document.

In my last annual communication, I took occasion, briefly to advert to the several topics of national policy, which were then agitating the public mind. Since that period, an animated and exciting political canvass has taken place among the people, and the opinions and principles which distinguish the several parties, have been fully and elaborately discussed.

If, in the progress of a contest, the issue of which was mutually regarded as of vital importance to the welfare of the coun-

try, an undue degree of warmth or asper-⁴⁵
ity was occasionally manifested, it is grat-
ifying to know, that it has since given
place, to that cheerful and ready acquies-
cence in the will of the majority, which
has hitherto formed so striking a feature
in the working of our political system.

It remains for those, upon whom the
result of that contest has devolved the
management of public affairs, to exer-
cise the powers entrusted to their care,
in the spirit of moderation and patri-
otism; and while upon all occasions,
they evince a scrupulous regard to the just
rights of the minority, to execute prompt-
ly and fearlessly, those great measures
of national policy, which a deliberate
and enlightened public judgment has
decreed.

Among the questions presented for the con-
sideration of the people, none were more
prominent than those relating to the
annexation of Texas, and the modifica-
tion of the existing tariff. In all the
forms of popular discussion, these were
conspicuous and standing themes, and
they everywhere debated with the spirit
and ability, which their importance de-
manded.

The acquisition of the territory comprehen-
ded under the name of Texas, has long been
an object of deep solicitude to those concern-
ed in the administration of the general
government; and by none was it more
earnestly pursued than by those, under
whose auspices, our first treaties were nego-

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tiated with Mexico. The singularity of its geographical position, its connection with our own contiguous territory; its broad front and commanding position, upon the gulf of Mexico; its numerous harbours; its fertile soil and genial climate; all conspire to render its peaceful and honorable incorporation into the territory of our republic, in the highest degree desirable.

Regarded as a means of strengthening and protecting our southwestern frontier; as opening new and growing markets for the industry of the north; as tending greatly to extend our internal and external commerce, and above all, as foreclosing against the intrusion of foreign influence, a position so necessary for our security, the measure, it is believed, must ultimately command itself to the united approval of the people.

But however weighty may be the considerations, which would impel both government and people, to desire the consummation of this measure, it is not to be presumed that they would seek it upon other than just and honorable terms. Saw the patriotism and wisdom of the distinguished statesman, to whom the negotiation of this delicate and important question is soon to be confided, we have a sufficient guarantee, that the interests and honor of the whole country, will be faithfully maintained.

245 In relation to the present tariff, it is 47
believed, that still more decided and
unequivocal expression of the popular sen-
timents was then given.

Upon none of the questions involved in
the recent canvass, has a more careful
and searching scrutiny been bestowed.
The general results and minute details
of the present system—its influence upon
all the interests of our extended country,
and its particular bearing upon the pros-
perity of our own community, have beau-
tifully and eloquently expounded. The
arguments of its friends have failed to con-
vince a majority of our citizens, that the rigou-
rous provisions of the existing law are either just
or wise; nor have they been able to convince, that
however beneficial to the interests of the pro-
tected classes, the system may have been, it
has in any adequate proportion, compensated
for the burthen it has imposed upon their
own.

In the steady and healthy growth of domes-
tic manufactures, all sections of the country,
and all classes of our citizens, would heartily
rejoice. Their success is identified with our na-
tional prosperity, and their interests should al-
ways receive a just measure of encouragement
and support. Under the influence of equal
laws, and with the incidental protections
which a revenue tariff would afford, their
progress, though gradual, would be certain
and secure.

In a government like ours, where the
influence of public sentiment is sensibly
felt, and certain, ultimately to shape its

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policy, laws, to be salutary and permanent, must be just, moderate and equal. The system which extends, to a favorite pursuit, or a particular class, extravagant and unreasonable advantages, will soon awaken the jealousy of those, at whose expense they are conferred, and a reaction, equally prejudicial to public and private interests, will inevitably follow. Against these disturbing and ruinous fluctuations, the policy of the government cannot be too carefully guarded; and it is to be hoped, that under the influence of enlightened and patriotic counsels, the time is not distant, when it will be satisfactorily and permanently established.

To the government of the whole people, representing the various sections and conflicting interests of our extended country, the settlement of these controverted subjects properly belongs; the deep and absorbing interest they have recently excited in the public mind, would seem to authorize, if not to require, the notice I have given them.

Upon many of the subjects to which I have referred in this communication, I have dwelt perhaps with unnecessary minuteness; a proper estimation of their importance, will excuse the unusual prolixity in which I have indulged. Allow me, in conclusion, to express the hope, that the opinions upon which you have entered, will prove agreeable to yourself, and in its results acceptable to

1845 your constituents; that He who directs all 49
human purposes, may guide your delib-
erations, and render the measures to
which they may conduct you, beneficial
to the people. Hugh, P. Anderson.

The message was read and on motion
of Mr Foye laid on the table and three
hundred copies ordered to be printed for
the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Duran the report of the
committee appointed by the last legisla-
ture, on the State valuation, was taken
up Messrs Otis, Shuburn, and Shaw joined
in concurrence.

Adjourned.

Saturday January 4. 1845.

On motion of Mr Golden, ordered that a message be sent to the House informing that body that the Senate propose a concourse of the two branches of the legislature in the Representatives Hall forthwith for the purpose of choosing seven counselors to advise the Governor in his executive duties for the current political year; also to elect a secretary of State for the current political year, and ask the concurrence of the House. The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr Knoulton, ordered, the House concurring, that the purveyor of each branch of this legislature be directed to furnish the reporters with one copy each, of the printed documents of this legislature, also that they forward to the several editors of public papers in this State one copy each of the same.

On motion of Mr Darling, ordered, that the Secretary be directed to make up on the pay roll, to Ebenezer G. Patton, as messenger, five days pay for preparing the Senate Chamber, for the reception of members, including assistants.

A message was received from the House of Representatives concerning the proposition for a convention to elect counsellors and Secretary of State.

The Convention

Agreeably to assignment the two Houses met in convention for the purpose of electing seven counsellors, and a Secretary of State, Messrs. Dunn, Rose and Kirkcoulton, of the Senate, Berry of Thomaston, Perkins of Hallowell, Halsey of Frankfort, Sec. of State, Leadbetter of Concord, of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for counsellors.

The committee attended to the duty assigned it and reported, that the whole number of ballots collected was 166

Necessary to a choice	84
Theodore Ingallo has	115
Moses Mason "	115
James L. Whitmore "	115
Isaac S. Small "	115
Charles Stetson "	115
Joshua F. Elliot "	115
John R. Redman "	115
Nathan W. Appleton "	51
Eleazer Everett "	51
George F. Patton "	51
John W. Chis "	51
Ralph C. Johnson "	51
Elijah S. Hamlen "	51
John Kilby "	51

The report was accepted and Theodore Ingallo, Moses Mason, James L. Whitmore

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Isaac S. Small, Charles Peterson, Joshua F. Elliot and John R. Redman, were declared duly elected.

Messrs Frye, Sargent, and Monroe of the Senate, Kelsey of Guilford, Ridout of Cumberland, Hall of Warren, Howe of Readfield, and Batch of Tuscott, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

The committee attended to the duty assigned it and reported, that the whole number of ballots collected was 166

Necessary to a choice 84

Philip C. Johnson has 117

Samuel P. Benson " 49

The report was accepted, and Philip C. Johnson was declared duly elected.

The Convention then separated.

On motion of Mr Dunn, ordered, that the Secretary of State, be directed to notify Theodore Briggs, Moses Mason, James C. Whitmore, Isaac S. Small, Charles Peterson, Joshua F. Elliot and John R. Redman that they have been duly elected counselors to advise the Governor in the executive department for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Sheddum, Ordered, that a committee of three consisting of Messrs Sheddum, Sargent and Duran, with such as the House may join be appointed to ascertain the proper rates of printing

1815 and contract with some suitable person 53
or persons to do the printing of the State
for the current political year at such rate.

Mr Dunn on his motion was excused from
serving on the committee.

The subject of filling the vacancy in the
committee was, on motion of Mr French
laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Dunn. Ordered that
the Secretary of the Senate be directed to
notify the Hon Philip C Johnson that he
has been duly elected Secretary of State
for the current political year.

On motion of Mr Wood. Ordered. That when
the Senate next adjourns it be to meet on
Monday next at half past ten o'clock.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Met according to adjournment.

Order from the House appointing Messrs Chadwick of Portland, Mildrum of Wells, Blaney of Bristol, See of Calais, Walker of Bethel, Green of Thopsham and Tallot of East Machias a committee with such as the Senate may join, to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of State and report to the Legislature, read and passed and Messrs Frye, Chubb and Sherburne joined in concurrence.

Mr Dunn. from the joint select committee to prepare joint rules for the government of the two branches of the legislature, reported the following joint Rules

1. The joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the political year - viz.

On the Judiciary. On Education. On Banks and Banking. On Incorporation of Towns. On Division of Counties. On State laws and State Roads. On Indian affairs. On Agriculture. On Fisheries. On Manufactures. On Rail Roads and Bridges. On Interior Waters. On accounts. On claims. On the Militia. On Military Pensions. On the Insane Hospital. On the

State Prison. On the Public buildings. On the Library. and each of said committees shall consist of three on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House.

2. Whenever a select committee shall be appointed by either House, and be joined by the other it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Senate, or clerk of the House, respectively, as the case may be, to transmit, one to the other, the names of the members so joined, in order that they may be entered upon the journals of both Houses.

3. The enacting clause of every bill shall follow its title in these words, namely:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:—"

And if any bill shall contain more than one section the words "Section 1," shall be inserted immediately after the enacting clause, and before the first part of the bill, and to each subsequent section shall be prefixed the words "Section 2," or otherwise, as the case may be, in conformity with the style of the Revised Statutes. And if any bill shall be found not to conform to the requisitions of this rule, it shall be the duty of the committee on bills in their second reading, or of the Secretary of the Senate, or of the committee on bills in the third reading, or of the clerk of the House, to commit the same, without a proposition to either branch to amend.

4. All endorsements on papers, while on this

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passage between the two houses shall be under the signature of the Secretary of the Senate, or clerk of the house respectively, but bills on their final passage shall be signed by the presiding officers of each branch.

5. Every bill that shall have passed both houses to be enacted, and all resolutions, or resolves, having the force of law, shall be presented by the Secretary of the Senate to the Governor, for his approval, and the Secretary of the Senate, shall enter on the journal of the Senate, the day on which such bills or resolutions, are so presented to the governor.

6. No business shall be entered on in convention of both branches except by unanimous consent, other than that which may be agreed on before the convention is formed.

7. When a bill or resolve shall be printed by order of either house, the name of the committee by whom such bill or resolve was reported, or of the member by whom it was introduced, shall be stated in the printed copies.

The report was read, and accepted, sent down for concurrence.

Order from the house adopting a joint rule for the regulation of proceedings of the two houses, in relation to the printing of documents for the use of the legislature was read and on motion of Mr. Dunn, the Sen-

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the same.

Communications were received from Theodore Ingalls, James C Whitman, John R Redman, Isaac S Small and Moses Mason, counsellors elect, signifying their acceptance, and readiness to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official, read and sent down.

On motion of Mr French, the subject of filling the vacancy in the joint select committee appointed to ascertain the proper rates of printing, and contract with some suitable person to do the printing of the State for the current political year was taken up, and Mr Whipple appointed to fill the same. The order raising the committee was sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Frye, Ordered that a message be sent to the house informing that to day, that the Senate propose a concourse of the two houses to be forthwith held in the representatives hall for the purpose of qualifying Theodore Ingalls, James C Whitman, Moses Mason, Isaac S Small and John R Redman counsellors elect to advise the governor in the executive department of the government for the current political year, to enter upon the discharge of the duties of that office, and ask the concurrence of the house.

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A message was received from the house concerning in the foregoing proposition for a convention to qualify counsellors elect.

The Convention

Agreeably to assignment the two houses met in convention for the purpose of qualifying counsellors elect.

Mr Durin was charged with a message to inform Theodore Ingalls, James C Whitman, Moses Masow, Isaac S Small, and John R Redman counsellors elect, that the two houses have met in convention and are ready to administer to them the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Whereupon the said counsellors elect came in attended by the Secretary of State and before the President of the Senate took and subscribed the oaths requisite to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The convention then separated.

On motion of Mr Rose, ordered that a message be sent to the governor notifying him that Theodore Ingalls, James C Whitman, Isaac S Small, Moses Masow and John R Redman counsellors elect, have been duly qualified to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

A communication was received from James

1845 While Treasurer of State transmitting a state-59
ment of the receipts and expenditures of
all public money, and an account of
the state of the treasury as it existed on the
thirty first day of December 1844.

The communication on motion of Mr. Dunn
was referred to the joint select committee
on the treasury accounts.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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The President announced the following
standing committees of the Senate.

On Bills in the second reading.

Messrs. Skellin	Wood
Dering	Dunn
Frye	Chadwick
Shutburn	Holmes
Miller	Spitely
Tallman	Barnard

On engrossed bills

Messrs French	Hastings
Monroe	Dering
Holmes	Rose
Shutburn	Knapp
Holmes	Chadwick

The following joint standing committees
appointed on the part of the Senate
and sent down came up joined as follows.

On the Judiciary.

Senate	House.
Messrs. Frye	Allen of Alfred, Kayden of Eastport,
Tallman, Essenden of Portland, Tyler of	Wood,
Shutburn, Paine of Bangor, Talbot of East. Machias	
	Gerry of Watford.

Mrs Chase	Mrs Barnes of Portland
Swan	Vinal " Munroe
Wood	Hurd " Shapleigh
	Hove " Readfield
	Judson " Westbrook
	Hamlen " China
	Andrews " Camden

Our Banks and Banking.

Mrs Tallman	Mrs Perry of Watford
Porter	Sibby " Seabrook
Swan	Lee " Calais
	Haley " Frankfort
	Neal " Wiscasset
	M ^{rs} Phelps " Orono
	Davis " Bloomfield

Our Incorporation of Towns.

Mrs Chadwick	Mrs Falls of Benwick
Shaw	Davis " Poland
Munroe	Soule " Freeport
	Pray " Richmond
	Frost " Belgrade
	Beau " Hodgdon
	Bigelow " Bingham

Our Division of Towns

Mrs Perry	Mrs Reelfs of Lee
Sargent	Barnes " Portland
Porter	Adman " Dixfield
	Patten " Bowdoinham
	Fisher " Ansonick
	Stefield " Baring
	McCutcheon " Foxcroft

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On Division of Counties.

Meigs Dering	Meigs Stinson of Rockville
Knowlton	Scammon " Saco
Mourac.	Abbott " Fryeburg
	Friend " Etna
	Haskell " New Gloucester
	Stinson " Palmyra
	Valley " Saco

On State Lands and State Roads.

Meigs Miller	Meigs Blancy of Bristol
Barnard	Kelsey " Guilford
Hastings	Perkins " Augusta
	Cannell " Naples
	Lee " Houlton
	Pollard " Meadsboro
	Prince of North Yarmouth

On Indian affairs.

Meigs Pillsbury	Meigs Halsey of Guilford
Smiley	Merrill " Olatown
Skow	Doane " Orrington
	Young " Gouldsboro
	Muzzey " Seabrook
	Rocks " Lincolnville

On Agriculture

Meigs Holmes	Meigs Wetters of York
Strout	Downell " Bath
Dering	Chisam " Patricktown
	Chase " Woodstock
	Hayes " W. Desert
	Phelps " Penobscot
	Troop " Pittston

Messrs, Skellin	Messrs, Bridges	of Castine
Warren	Hull	" Wayne
Knowlton	Batch	" Dubuc
	Mudgett	" Prospect
	Gilchrist	" St. George
	Gray	" Deer Isle
	Fulton	" New Sharon

Our Manufactures.

Messrs, Dunn	Messrs, Greene	of Topsham
Swan	Chapman	" Solisboro
Bonett	Lemont	" Brunswick
	Ball	" Bridgman
	Smith	" Norway
	Hinks	" Buckport
	Sanata	" Wales

Our Rail Roads and Bridges

Messrs, French	Messrs, Fiske	of Portland
Strout	Paine	" Bangor
Chase	Beau	" Belfast
	Bridges	" Castine
	Adams	" Thomaston
	Walker	" Bethel
	Hayden	" Eastport

Our Interior Waters.

Messrs, Wood	Messrs, Moore	of Ellsworth
Knowlton	Chase	" Buckfield
Beny	Perkins	" Hallowell
	Wells	" Clinton
	Wallace	" Harington
	Ellis	" Smithfield
	Prince	" Windsor

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On Accounts.

Meps, Parker	Meps, Mildraue of Wells
Pillsbury	Fulmer " Freedmen
Spriley	Davis " Poland
	Mower " Vapalloro
	Young " Hampden
	Chick " Orlaud
	Fremau " Maidgwick

On Claims

Meps, Sherburne	Meps, Mildraue of Wells
Otis	Tollins " Dixmont
Monroe	Irish " Lyman
	Harlow " Bangor
	Mower " Vapalloro
	Fenderson " Wilton
	Smith " Norway

On the Abilika

Meps, Rose	Meps, Lee of Houlard
Banett	Harlow " Bangor
Sherburne	Doc " Parsonsfield
	Chunshill " New Portland
	Lane " Saugerville
	Fansworth " Shuteau
	Mower " Vapalloro

On Military Pensions

Meps, Hastings	Meps, Chapin of Ableboro
Berry	Raskliff " Unity
Colmes	Wassup " Philips
	Bennett " Palmer
	Rogers " Kittery
	Wheeler " Freeport
	Merrill " Boston

Mepis, Barnett	Mepis, Bean of Belfast
Pittsburg	Dow " Hiram
Frye	Chadwick " Portland
	Goodlette " Concord
	Harlow " Bangor
	Neal " Woodstock
	McClure " Standish

On State Prison.

Mepis, Otis	Mepis, Bury of Thomaston
Dunn	Canoll " Union
Kneeland	Farrow " Isletboro
	Thurall " So. Berwick
	Troop " Pittston
	Putnam " St. Albans
	Daggett " Greene

On the Public Buildings.

Mepis, Holden	Mepis, Bean of Belfast
Wanow	Bray " Turner
Shurt	Koyin " Sebce
	Holman " Gardiner
	Hodgdon " Westport
	Semenet " Brunswick
	Bustow " Oyster

On the Library

Mepis, Sargent	Mepis, Parier of Bangor
Holmes	Allen " Alfred
Holden	Barnes " Portland
	Finale " Munroe
	Brown " Bluehill
	Burbank " Waterboro
	Fairley " Newcastle

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On motion of Mr Daring, ordered that ten o'clock A.M. be the hour to which the Senate shall adjourn till otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr Desiring, the vote by which the Senate concurred the House in the passage of the joint rule for the regulation of the proceedings of the two Houses in relation to the printing of documents for the use of the legislature was reconsidered.

The question returned on the adoption of the rule in concurrence with the House and that being ordered, on motion of Mr Otis, to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative, as follows.

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Chase, Daring, French, Frye, Hastings, Holmes, Knutson, Morse, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Shaw, Strout, Sargent, Townsend. 17.

Nays. Messrs. Barrett, Chadwick, Dunn, Miller, Skellin, Wood. 6.

Mr Pillsbury on have laid on the table resolves in relation to the annexation of Texas.

Mr Dunn moved to lay them on the table and while that motion was pending the Senate.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Fisher, Secretary.

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Met according to adjournment.

The motion pending to lay the Resolves in relation to the annexation of Texas on the table being ordered, on motion of Mr. Pillsbury to be taken by yeas and nays, was decided in the affirmative as follows.

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase, Dunning, Duran, French, Frye, Holmes, Holdrege, Knudston, Miller, Monroe, Osborn, Otis, Patten, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Shurtowne, Skilling, Smiley, Stout, Swan, Wood. 24.

Nays. Messrs. Perry, Chadwick, Hastings, Pillsbury, Tallman, Townsend, Nanev. 7.

Mr. Frye from the joint select committee appointed to examine the accounts of the treasury of State reported that the examination by the committee of the accounts of the treasurer was thorough and the result highly satisfactory. All charges for disbursements were fully sustained by proper vouchers, and satisfactory evidence was furnished, that the public money, yet unexpended, was safely deposited in sound and specie paying banks, and that a considerable portion of it is drawing a small rate of interest.

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The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from Joshua F Elliot, and from Charles Stetson, counsellors elect, signifying their acceptance and readiness to be qualified which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr Rose ordered, that a message be sent to the house of Representatives, proposing a concurrence of the two Houses, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of qualifying Charles Stetson and Joshua F Elliot counsellors elect and ask the concurrence of the House.

A message was received from the house concurring in the foregoing proposition for a concurrence to qualify Charles Stetson and Joshua F Elliot counsellors elect.

An Convention.

Agreeably to appointment the two Houses met in convention for the purpose of qualifying Charles Stetson and Joshua F Elliot counsellors elect.

Mr Rose, was charged with a message to inform Messrs Stetson and Elliot that the two houses have met in convention and are ready to administer the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. Whereupon they came

1845 in attended by the council and Secretary of State and before the President of the convention took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The convention then separated.

Mr Deering announced that James Osborn Senator elect was present and ready to be qualified.

Mr Deering accompanied him to the council chamber where in presence of the Governor and council, he took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties. He then took his seat at the Senate board.

A communication was received from Philip C Johnson signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State, which was read and sent down.

Mr Dunn presented the credentials of Peol Turner as representative of the Poudsot tribe of Indians which were on his motion referred to the committee on Indian affairs.

On motion of Mr French, ordered that so much of the governors message as relates to the annexation of Texas be referred to a joint select committee consisting on the part of the Senate of

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Mrs French, Tallman and Pillsbury sent down for concurrence.

The order appointing a joint select committee to ascertain the proper rates of printing and to contract with some suitable person to do the printing of the State, came from the House amended on sheet marked A. and Messrs Alderman of Wells, Berry of Thomaston, Winnow of Temple, Gannett of Wales, Fuller of Freedom, Mowes of Kapallow, and Balch of Freetown, joined in concurrence. The Senate adopted the amendment and passed the order in concurrence.

Mr Tallman on his request was excused from serving on the committee on banks and banking. Mr Brown was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The Secretary laid on the table a list of unfinished business referred from the last to the present Legislature, which was referred as follows, to wit, Bill entitled an act to punish seduction.

An act additional respecting the apportionment and collection of taxes.

and

An act granting proprietors of certain lands forfeited to the State for the non-payment of taxes, time to redeem the same, was referred to the committee on the judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

1845 Resolved in favor of James Stickney and others
as now referred to the Committee on State Lands & Roads
Resolved defining the power to grant divorce
as a judicial power.

Petition of Sarah A. Mace for a special act
to allow her to do business in her
own name.

" " James Keegan and others for an
additional registry of deeds in
the County of Aroostook.

" " Joshua Norwood and others rela-
tive to the election of Sheriffs.

" " Inhabitants of Frankfort relative
to same.

And order relative to lien on buildings
were severally referred to the Committee on
the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled, an act for the promotion of
agriculture, Horticulture and manufac-
tures, was referred to the Committee on
agriculture. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Lowell pray-
ing the select men, town clerk
and treasurer of said town be
constituted a board of trustees
of the school fund of said town
was referred to the Committee on
education. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolved for the removal of the Sun House
in Wilton was referred to the Committee on

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the Militia. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the winter navigation company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of John Martin.

Report of Councils on petition of Sarah LeBroke was successully referred to the committee on Military Pensions. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of John Gilmore and others, that certain lands in Belfast may be set off and with a part of Prospect be incorporated into a new town, and various remonstrances against the same.

Petition of Richard Smart and others for, and various remonstrances against the same, was referred to the committee on division of towns. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to set off a part of Buck's lot and annex the same to the town of Orangeburg was referred to the committee on division of Counties. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of William Reed and others, for a Canal from Merry Meeting Bay to Harpswell Bay

and.

of Thomas Foss and others for leave to build a dam across Kilkenny Stream in

1845 the town of Hancock, now referred to the com^{tee} 73
middle on Rail Roads and Bridges, sent down
for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of James Chickering and
others.

Resolve in favor of Rufus Moulton and
others.

Resolve in favor of Henry C. Hancy and
others.

Resolve in favor of George H. Giberson and
others.

Resolve authorizing the Land agent to
purchase the improvements made in
the Tides Canal.

Report of Council on petition of John
Philips.

Petition of Alfred J. Stone and others pray-
ing for aid from the State to make roads
in the North part of Oxford County, and
opening a communication between Maine
and Canada.

Petition of William Frost and others for aid
to build bridges.

Petition of Nathaniel Fickett praying that
the Legislature may authorize the Land
agent to grant a certificate to the heirs
of Nathaniel Fickett under Resolve of
March 17. 1835.

Petition of Charles H. Coffin that the
State treasurer may be authorized to
cancel and give up certain notes
given for lands purchased of the State.

Petition John T. Jew and others, of John
T. Hunter and others, and citizens of

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Piscataquis. for aid from the State to improve the road from Moosehead Lake to Chesuncook Lake. was usually referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition W. Norton and others relative to the Insane hospital was referred to the committee on the insane hospital. Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House referring the report of the Bank Commissioners to the committee on Banks and Banking, with instructions to inquire and report what further statute regulations are necessary to secure a just compliance with the general Banking law and protect the people against fraud. was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Spear praying for a remuneration for an injury received in 1839. in the service of the State, came up referred to the committee on claims. The Senate non-concurred the house in the reference of the petition and referred the same to the committee on Military pensions. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Caleb Jones praying to have lot No 1. in 6th Range annexed to the town of Athens.

1845 Petition of William A Palmer and others 75
for a new town by the name of White-
myville,

Petition of A S Gillman and others to
be annexed to the town of Readfield,

Petition of John H Hoyt and another
to be set off from Rome and annexed
to Belgrade,

Petition of Joshua Russell and others
to be set off from Watford and annex-
ed to Alfred. now severally referred to
the committee on division of towns in
concurrence,

Petition of James O'Donnell and others
for a Rail Road from Portland and
Montreal,

Petition of H S Jones and others for
same.

Petition of R R Porter and others for same
now severally referred to the committee
on Rail Roads and Bridges in concu-
rence.

Petition of Daniel Brown for a pension
was referred to the committee on Militar-
ary pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of Waldo Planta-
tion for incorporation was referred to the
committee on incorporations of towns
in concurrence.

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Petition of the congregational society in Bethel for authority to sell their meeting house, was referred to the committee on the judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of W. F. Dodge and others of Isleboro and Northport for a ferry, was referred to the committee on interior waters in concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of Oldtown and Milford for a ferry by horse power, was referred to the committee on interior waters. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Mr Berry on his motion was excused from serving on the committee on division of towns. Mr Chadwick was appointed to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Mr Rose, ordered that a message be sent to the governor and council informing them that Charles Estlin and Joshua Elliot have been duly elected counsellors to advise the governor in the executive department of the government for the current political year, and that they have been duly qualified as the constitution directs to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr Chadwick from the joint select committee appointed to employ some suitable person to watch the public buildings in the night time, reported that they have employed Smith Sibby to perform that service at a compensation of one dollar per night. The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Chase, ordered that so much of the governor's message

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as relates to Common Schools and education be referred to the committee on education.

On motion of Mr French ordered, that Messrs French, Dunn, Bouy, Osborn and Seward be a committee to prepare rules and orders for the government of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Frye, ordered, that a message be sent to the house informing that body, that the Senate propose a convention of the two houses, to be held in the representatives hall, this day at eleven o'clock A.M. for the purpose of choosing a State treasurer, and ask the concurrence of the House.

A message was received from the house concurring in the foregoing proposition for a convention to choose a Secretary of State.

In Convention.

Agreeably to assignment, the two houses met in convention for the purpose of electing a treasurer of State, Messrs Hastings, Frye and Otis of the Senate, and Johnson of Westbrook, Lambert of Saline, Neal of Westcott, Fish of Smyrna, Holman of Gardiner of the house were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes. The committee attended to

1818 the duty assigned it, and reported that 79
the whole number of ballots collected
was,

Necessary to a choice	164
James White has	83
Sauferd Kingsbury "	118.
William Caldwell "	42.
Blank	1
	3.

James White was declared duly elected
treasurer of State for the current politi-
cal year. The council then separ-
ated.

Order from the house directing the
committee on the judiciary to inquire
into the expediency of providing by law
for the further regulation of the powers
of magistrates in issuing warrants for
the arrest of offenders was passed in con-
currence.

Petition of Nathaniel Gould and others
praying that provision may be made for
Rebecca Gould at the Hospital for the
Insane was referred to the committee
on the Insane Hospital in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Maddox and others
for an act to prevent the obstructions in the
Branch Pond Stream referred to the com-
mittee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of John Stockbridge and others
for the formation of a new County from
the Eastern part of Oxford and Western
part of Franklin was referred to the

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committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Columbus Crockett for remuneration,

Petition of the town of Massfield for abatement of their State and County tax,

Petition of Joshua Wakefield for remuneration for pursuing Hanson Laurence a fugitive from justice,

Petition of the town of Centerville for abatement of taxes, serially referred to the committee on claims in concurrence.

Petition of Smith Furness and 45 others praying that the legislature may pass resolutions in favor of the settlement of national differences among nations, by pacific means, was referred to the committee on education in concurrence.

Petition of William P. Ribble and others inhabitants of Portland, praying for the charter of a company to construct a Rail Road from Portland to the Canada line,

Petition of Edward E. Upham and others,

Petition of William Singer and others,

Petition of Rufus Tuttle and others, in

aid of the same,

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and

Petition of Alexander Cummings & others praying for the privilege of building a bridge across Sawdus Brook now severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Harmon Jagers and others inhabitants of the town of Bowdoin to be annexed to the town of Bowdoinham.

Remonstrance of Thomas Merryman,

and

Remonstrance of the town of Bowdoin against the same.

Petition of Richard Smart and others inhabitants of Prospect to be disannexed from the town of Prospect and incorporated with the Eastern part of Belfast into a new town,

Petition of Henry Mathews and others to be disannexed from Belfast and to be incorporated into a new town with a part of Prospect.

Petition of Inhabitants of Andon for a division of said town.

Petition of Eli Ayer and others for a division of the town of Palermo.

Petition of Albert Gray and others praying that certain lots be set off from Setago and annexed

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ed to Naples.

Petition of Gouvin Whittaker to be set off from No. 7. and annexed to Goulas borough were severally referred to the committee on division of towns in concurrence.

Petition of S. F. Shickland and others for an act to incorporate the Bangor Steam Navigation Company
and

Petition of Warren Rice for increase of compensation as Register of deeds, were severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of James Lemont and others, of West Bath for a law to suppress the traffic in intoxicating drinks came from the House, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate nonconcurred the House in the reference of this petition and referred the same to a Joint select committee consisting of Messrs Tallman, Holmes and Estlin. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of J. W. Can and another for repeal of Bangor Steam Corporation, was referred to the committee on interior waters. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Register of Probate for the County

of York, was on motion of Mr Wood referred to a joint select committee consisting of the members of the Legislature from that County. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Turner presented the credentials of Red Poros as delegate of the Pustsoot tribe of Indians which was referred to the committee on Indian affairs. Sent down for concurrence.

The order appointing a joint select committee on so much of the governors message as relates to the annexation of Texas came up with Messrs Allen of Alfred, Kellogg of Guilford, Seely of Watford, Vinal of Monro and Tallot of East Machias joined in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in relation to the Annexation of Texas. Mr Otis offered an amendment on sheet marked A and moved that the Resolves and his amendment be referred to the joint select committee to whom was referred so much of the governors message as relate to the annexation of Texas.

A division of the question was called for by Mr Chase and the first branch of the question referring the Resolves was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows. Yeas Messrs Sumner, Garrett, Chase, Deering, French, Frye, Hastings, Adams, Kiddle, Miller, Monroe, Osborn, Otis, Pillsbury, Puter, Shaw, Shelburne, Stillin, Smiley, Street.

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Tallman Townsend, Warren Knoulton
and Wood, 25.
Nays. Messrs Chadwick Swan, 2.

The second branch of the question of referring
the amendment was decided in the affir-
mative by yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Banck, Perry, Dar-
ring, French, Frye, Hadden, Knoulton, Mil-
ler, Morse, Osborn, Otis, Porter, Rose, Sher-
burne, Skillin, Short, Wood, 18.

Nays Messrs Chase, Chadwick, Hastings,
Holmes, Pillsbury, Shaw, Smiley, Swan,
Townsend, Warren, 10.

On motion of Mr French ordered that
two hundred copies of the rules and orders
with the documents ordered by the House
of Representatives to accompany its rules
be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Hastings ordered that
the Secretary of the Senate be directed
to notify James White that he
has been duly elected Treasurer
of the State for the current political
year.

Mr Tallman on his request was ex-
cused from serving on the joint se-
lect committee to whom was referred
so much of the governors message
as relates to the annexation of Texas.

On motion of Mr Duran certain petitions

845 praying for the passage of a law to sup- 85
press the sale of intoxicating liquors were
laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster:
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Petition of the trustees of Litchfield Academy came up referred to the committee on the judiciary. The Senate non concurred the house in the reference and referred the petition to the committee on education sent down for concurrence.

Petition of William B Whitney and others praying for a Rail road from Portland to the Canada line.

Petition of Selectmen of Westbrook that as certain pieces of highway be set off to the city of Portland were severally referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Plamcutin Daggett in behalf of the town of Newbury that a part of said town be annexed to the town of Strong.

And,

Petition of Benjamin Gregory and others for a division of the town of Peru.

and

Remonstrance of Charles Gordon and others, inhabitants of Belfast against a division of said town, were severally referred to the committee on division of towns in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Chase the vote referring

1848 the petition of Smith Freeman and 45 87
others to the committee on education
was reconsidered, and the petition, on
his motion was laid on the table.

Mr Chadwick from the Committee on
division of towns reported order of no-
tice returnable to the present legisla-
ture, on petition of Franklin Smith
and others, and on petition of Eli Ayer
and others. The report was accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

Mr French from the Committee on Rail
Roads and Bridges, reported order of
notice returnable to this legislature on
petition of William P Preble. Accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Osborn was appointed to fill the
vacancy in the Committee on Banks
and Banking.

Mrs Tallman was appointed to fill
the vacancy on the joint select com-
mittee to whom was referred so much
of the governor's message as relates to
the annexation of Texas.

On motion of Mr Smiley, ordered that
the Secretary be directed to furnish at
the expense of the State one copy of the
Bible containing the apocrypha and
concordance, and one copy of Webster's
octavo dictionary for the use of the Senate.

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Mr Otis from the joint select committee to whom was referred the report of the committee appointed by the last legislature to prepare a State Valuation made a report in part which was on motion of Mr Frye laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster.
Secretary.

Saturday January 11. 1845.

Petition of Amos Lindsey for compensation for trouble and expense in pursuit and arrest of Samuel Kilbreth a fugitive from justice, came from the house referred to the committee on Claims, on motion of Mr Davis it was indefinitely postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and bridges on petition of William D. Pottle and others came up nonconcurrent and recommitted with instructions to report that the petitioners cause notice to be given by the publication of the order of notice two weeks successively in the Eastern Argus and Portland Advertiser, the last publication to be six days at least before the 27th day of January 1845 that a hearing will be had on said petition on said 27th day of January, that all persons interested may then appear and shew cause if any they have why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted. The Senate recessed and recommitted the report in concurrence.

Mr French from the committee on Rail Roads and bridges to whom was

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recommitted the report of said committee on petition of William P. Preble with instructions. reported order of notice on said petition agreeably to instructions.

Petition of Samuel Page and others in aid of the petition of William P. Preble was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas M. Moody and others of Bangor for an additional act in relation to the Bangor Boom Company was referred to the committee on interior waters in concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Richardson and others for an act incorporating the Portland Iron Manufacturing Company.

and

Petition of Horace Gray and others for incorporation of the Westbrook Iron Works Company were referred to the committee on manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Goddard and others for remission of forfeiture of 106 3^d Range was referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of James M. Hilton and others of the town of Stark, that a part of said town be set off to the town of Amherst.

Petition of Peter Edson that that part of his

farm lying in Readfield be annexed to #
Mt Vernon.

and

Petition of Franklin Beaw and others to have
certain lands set off from Mt Vernon to Read-
field were severally referred to the Committee
on division of towns in concurrence.

Order from the house appointing Moses
Blackliff of Unity, Merrill of Weston, Lemont
of Brunswick, Will of Machus, Sautut of Salton and
Philips of Penobscot a committee on the
part of the house, with such as the Sen-
ate may join to take into considera-
tion the subject of making a reduction
in the salaries of public officers. was re-
ferred a page, sent down for concurrence.

Resolue from the house authorizing the
Chaplain of the two houses to take books
from the State Library was referred to
the committee on State Library in con-
currence.

Petition of Deol Polis for a law to protect
the liberty pole of the Penobscot tribe of
Indians was referred to the committee
on Indian affairs. Sent down for con-
currence.

Petition of Samuel Smith that the Land
Agents be authorized to receive a commis-
sion of certain lands purchased under
erroneous representations and give up
the notes therefor was referred to the com-
mittee on State Lands and State Roads.

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Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Chadwick on his request was excused from serving on the committee on Incorporation of towns.

Mr Berry was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr Otis presented the report of the Warden of the Maine State Prison, and on his motion it was laid on the table and five hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Rose, ordered, that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the militia be referred to the committee on the Militia.

On motion of Mr. Miller, ordered, that so much of the Governor's message as refers to the improvement of roads be referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads.

On motion of Mr. Rose, ordered, that the petition of Thomas O'Serley for admission of the balance of his obligation to the State be taken from the files of the Senate and referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr Wood from the committee on Interior Affairs reported order of Notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition

1815 of Martin F. Dodge and others.

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Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster.
Secretary.

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The following orders from the House were read and passed in concurrence.

Directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of making the tax on professional incomes uniform.

Directing the same committee to inquire into the expediency of repealing an act additional to the 14th Chapter of the revised Statutes regulating the collection of taxes on real estate in incorporated places. passed March 22. 1844.

Directing the committee on the library to inquire into the expediency of limiting the number of books to be taken from the State library by any person at a time.

Order giving the several reporters connected with the Legislature authority to take books from the State library was referred to the committee on the library.

Petition of the directors of the Palmetto and Machiasport Rail Road Company for alteration of the charter of said Company was referred to the committee on Rail Roads.

Report of the committee on division of towns directing order of notice returnable to the present legislature on petition of James M. Hilton and others was accepted in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting thirty one copies of the report of the directors of the American Asylum at Hartford for the education and instruction of the Deaf and dumb, for the use of the members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Dunn ordered that the committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the act passed in 1842, providing for the election County officers. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose ordered that a message be sent to the governor and Council informing them that Philip C. Johnson has been duly elected to and accepted the office of Secretary of State for the current political year.

Petition of Governor Torrey and others of the Pequot tribe of Indians for aid for a school, and that certain articles of their dividend may be charged was referred to the committee on Indian affairs. Sent down for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr Dunn ordered, the house concurring, that Wednesday next be assigned for the choice of a United States Senator for six years from the third day of March next, and for this purpose, that the house proceed to ballot at half past ten o'clock A. M. and notify the Senate of the result, and that the proceed to ballot at eleven o'clock A. M. and notify the house of the result. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Banett, ordered, that the committee on the judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law in relation to insane persons. Sent down for concurrence.

The following communication was received from the governor.

To the Senate,

and House of Representatives.

Since the date of my last communication at the opening of the session, I have received from the Executive of the State of New Hampshire, "Resolves concerning the imprisonment of Thomas W. Dorr" and "Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas to the United States" recently passed by the Legislature of that State and which I herewith lay before you.

I have also received from the executive of the State of Connecticut, "Resolutions

relating to the assumption of State debts²⁷
and resolutions relating to the annexa-
tion of Texas to the United States; which
are herewith communicated.

The annual Report of the Inspectors
of the State Prisons, received this morn-
ing, will be also laid before you.

W. J. Anderson.

Councils Chamber

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On motion of Mr Frye, ordered, that the
Resolves concerning the imprisonment of
Thomas W. Dove passed by the legislature
of New Hampshire, and transmitted by
the governor, be referred to a joint select
committee, consisting, on the part of the
Senate of Messrs Dunn, Rose and Bar-
nard. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn, Resolves rela-
ting to the annexation of Texas to the
United States, passed by the legislature of
the State of New Hampshire, and Resolves
on the same subject passed by the State
of Connecticut, transmitted by the gov-
ernor were referred to the joint select com-
mittee to whom was referred so much
of the governors message as relates to the
annexation of Texas; and Resolves of
the State of Connecticut relating to the
assumption of State debts, and Resolves
relating to the repudiation of State debts
transmitted by the governor, were referred
to the committee on the judiciary. Sent

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down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Otis the report of Inspectors of the State Prison was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The petition of James Simont and others for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors came from the house referred to a joint select committee, consisting on the part of the house, of Messrs Perkins of Hallowell, Balch of Brunswick, Prentiss of Bee, Winsmore of Temple, Harlow of Bangor, Moulton of Standish and Brown of Bluehill in concurrence.

Adjourned.

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On motion of Mr Durns. the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of the,
Petition of Frances S. McKollins and
others, of Newport,

Petition of Eben W Johnson and others,
(and)

Petition of Elizabeth Norris and others of
Milford,

Petition of William Martin and others of
Newport,

Petition of Betsey Tucker and others of
Bath,

Petition of Levi H. Witham and others of
Keenebunkport,

Petition of Omar Bent and others of
Wiram,

Petition of Joseph Hayes and others of
Bath,

Petition of Eliza Sanford and others of
West Bath, for the passage of a law to
suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors
and the Senate nonconcurred the house
in referring them to the committee on
the judiciary, and referred the same to
the joint select committee who have that
subject under consideration. Sent down
for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the com-

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matter on the judiciary to inquire and report upon the expediency of so amending the 83, 84, 85, 86, and 87th Sections of the 114th Chapter of the revised Statutes, providing for the dissolving of attachments by a commission of insolvency, as to make the same inoperative upon property conveyed by the debtor to third persons subsequent to the attachment was passed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Ephraim Crockett and others,

Remonstrance of Matthew R Staples against the division of the town of Prospect were severally referred to the committee on division of towns in concurrence.

Petition of W Freeman and others,

" " Nathan Coy and others,
in aid of petition of William P Preble and others,
were referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Franklin Green and others to have land conveyed or money refunded to make up deficiency in former grant was referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Enoch Hardy for remuneration for pursuing and arresting James Christie a fugitive from justice was referred to the committee on claims in concurrence.

Petition of Nicholas Coffin for a lot of 101 land in township granted by law to those who served three years in the revolutionary war, was referred to the committee on military pensions. in concurrence.

Petition of James Ward Jr praying for a divorce from his wife Lucy, was referred to the committee on the judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Amos Brindsey came from the house, that body insisting on its vote referring the same to the committee on claims. the Senate receded and concurred.

On motion of Mr Rose, ordered that the use of the Senate Chamber be granted this afternoon at half past two o'clock to the democratic members of the Senate for the purpose of holding a conference.

On motion of Mr Warren, ordered, that the Committee on the judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing an act entitled an act, dividing the town of Deer Isle into two districts for election purposes. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Augustine Haines praying that the fees taxed and allowed by the Court in certain criminal

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cases be allowed and paid to him.
was referred to the committee on the
Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster
Secretary.

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Mr Rose on leave laid on the table Resolve providing for a State Valuation, which was read twice, the rule being suspended and passed to be engrossed. By yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Chase, Chadwick, Deering, French, Frye, Hastings, Knoutton, Miller, Monroe, Otis, Porter, Rose, Shang, Shurtleff, Tallmadge, Townsend, Warren, Woods.

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Nays. Messrs. Darnall, Holmes, Golden Sargent, Skillin, Smiley, Stout, Swan

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Mr Chadwick from the committee on divisions of towns, reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petitions of Albert Gray and others, of William A Palmer and others, Joshua Russell and others, of Peter Folsom and others, of Franklin Bean and others, of Albert B Gilman and others, Harmerstine Daggett and others and of Benjamin Gougeon and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Lockabasin for change in State policy, in relation to the Prudest Trade of Indians was referred to the committee on Indian affairs. Sent down for concurrence.

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Our motion of Mr Durm. ordered that the committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of allowing further time to redeem the lands in Township N^o 2. Indian purchase, forfeited to the State for the nonpayment of taxes. Sent down for concurrence.

Our motion of Mr Banett ordered that the committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law in relation to the approval of the poor debtors bond. Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had on its part elected John Fairfield a Senator to the Congress of the United States from this State for six years commencing on the fourth day of March next.

At eleven o'clock in pursuance of an order designating that hour for the election of a Senator to the Congress of the United States, our motion of Mr Rose, Messrs Rose, Durm and Wood were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes. The committee having attended to the duties assigned it, reported that the whole number of ballots collected was twenty six.

Necessary to a choice	fourteen	14.
John Fairfield has	twenty three	23.
William Pitt Fessenden has	three	3.

The report of the committee was accepted and John Fairfield was accordingly declared duly elected Senator to the Congress of the United States for six years commencing on the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr Dunn, ordered that a message be sent to the house of Representatives notifying that body that the Senate has made choice of John Fairfield for United States Senator for this State for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next in concurrence with the house.

On motion of Mr Dunn. Ordered that a message be sent to the governor informing him that John Fairfield has been this day duly elected by both branches of the Legislature a United States Senator from this State for the term of six years commencing on the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr Olin ordered that the joint select committee to which was referred the report of the valuation committee of thirteen be discharged from the further consideration of that subject. Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the house instructing the committee to whom was referred the report of the valuation committee of the last legislature to report forthwith, was on motion of Mr Dunn laid on the table.

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Mr French from the committee to whom was referred so much of the foregoing message as relates to the annexation of Texas. Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas. Resolves from the State of New Hampshire on the same subject together with a Resolve in relation to the occupation of Oregon. Reported a series of Resolves in relation to the annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon which were read twice, the vote being suspended.

Mr Tallman offered an amendment on which marked A and while that was pending the Resolves on his motion were laid on the table.

Mr Tallman presented a report from the minority of said committee accompanied by Resolves entitled Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas and they were on motion of Mr Dunn laid on the table.

Petition of Jesse Harding and others,

" " John Chase and others,

" " Mrs John Whitton and others,

" " Mary B. Hathaway and others
for a law for the suppression of the sale
of intoxicating liquors and several others
referred to the committee who have that
subject under consideration in connection

1845 Petition of John S. Rogers guardian of Henry Rogers a minor for leave to sell the real estate of said minor. 107

Petition of William A. Pope and another for abatement of interest money.

Petition of James C. Merrill, guardian of George & Winthrop an insane person for leave to sell real estate, were severally referred to the committee on the judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Job Prince and others.

" " Levi Crockett and others.

" " C. W. Folsom and others in aid of the petition of William Pitt Prebble and others were severally referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of William Gunt and others against the petition of Harmon Jagers.

Remonstrance of John White and others against the same were severally referred to the committee on division of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Bonsey and others of Ellsworth for an act incorporating the Branch Olive Company.
and

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Petition of Allen Meadows and others
in aid of same, were referred to the
committee on interior waters in concu-
rence.

The House added five hundred addi-
tional copies of the report of the Warden
of the State Prison and also three hundred
and fifty additional copies of the re-
port of the inspectors of the State Prison
to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Adjourned,

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Thursday January 16. 1845.

Mr Shurtum from the joint select committee to contract with some person or persons to do the State Printing for the current political year reported that they had contracted with William T Johnson to do the same; and that they had contracted with Messrs Joseph S Sampson and John W Hartford to do the folding and stitching, pamphlet work and binding during the same term; and that they have entered into written contracts with Mr Johnson and Messrs Sampson and Hartford specifying the terms upon which the printing and binding is to be done, and taken from them bonds for the faithful performance of the work, now submitted with the report. The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph W Haines for a grant of land.

Petitions of Hudson T Acuson and others, for aid to build bridges at Orson Island, and severally referred to the committee on State lands and State roads.
Sent down for concurrence.

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Petition of M. F. Tallot and others for alteration of law relating to lots reserved for public uses was referred to the committee on the judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Hiram F. Bond and others for the incorporation of a part of Letter B. Oxford County, into a town by the name of Grafton was referred to the committee on incorporation of towns. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Edmund H. Colby and others for a law for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors was referred to the committee on that subject. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of the town of Acton in the County of York for a separate representation,

Petition of Newton Hoyt and others in behalf of the Narraguagus Company for leave to make an apportionment for the purpose of paying the debts of said Company, and,

Petition of Henry Richardson and others inhabitants of Acton for an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of said town, were severally referred to the committee on the judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of James S. Keith and others,
" Joseph C. Hoyt and others in aid

1845 of the petition of William P. Public and 111
others were referred to the Committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Catharine J. D. O. Farnsworth for
compensation as instructor in Plaudation
not organized.

Petition of Daniel D. Toney and others for
alteration of school law were severally re-
ferred to the committee on education
in concurrence.

Order from the house instructing the
committee on the judiciary to inquire
into the expediency of authorizing Judges
of Probate to give licenses to guardians
to authorize them to insure property of
their wards in mutual insurance com-
panies was passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr French the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Re-
solves in relation to the annexation of
Texas and the occupation of Oregon.
Mr Tallman withdrew the amendment
he offered yesterday and moved another
on sheet marked A.

On motion of Mr French the resolves were
laid on the table.

A communication was received from
James White signifying his acceptance
of the office of Treasurer of State for the
current political and transmitting his
official bond.

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On motion of Mr. Duru the communication and bond were referred to the committee on the Treasuries accounts.

The clerk of the House informed the Secretary, that Messrs Gerry of Watufoord, Blaney of Bristol, Fenderson of Wilton, Perkins of Augusta, Farley of New Castle, Lane of Bangorville and Stimpson of Palmyra were joined to the joint select committee to whom was referred the resolutions of the State of New Hampshire in relation to the imprisonment of Thomas W. Dow.

Adjourned

James C. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Friday January 17. 1845.

Petition of William B Warren for a portion of the town of Sundry to be annexed to the town of Penobscot;

Petition of Floyd Hinkley to be set off from the town of Bluehill and annexed to the town of Penobscot; were severally referred to the committee on divisions of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Poland and others in aid of the petition of William P Pebble and others was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of the stockholders of the Maine Bank for an extension of time to close the affairs of said Bank was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph S Hackett in behalf of the town of New Vineyard that part of the town of Indusbyrson may be set off from said town and annexed to New Vineyard was referred to the committee on divisions of towns. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Faye from the committee on the judiciary reported leave to withdraw on the petition of the town of Astor; of Sarah N.

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Wace; of the inhabitants of Frankfurt and of Joshua Newwood and others; that a bill entitled an act to punish seduction ought not to pass; that the committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of bill entitled an act additional respecting the apportionment and collection of taxes; and from bill entitled an act granting proprietors of certain lands forfeited to the State for the nonpayment of taxes time to redeem the same and recommending reference of the act to the committee on State Lands and State roads; order of notice returnable to the present legislature on petition of Newton Hayes and others severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor Steam Navigation Company (reported from the committee on the judiciary on petition of S P Blackland and others) and Resolves for the repair of the Machias Hoostrick road (reported from the committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order referring so much of the Governor's message as relates to the improvement of roads to said committee) were severally read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for their second reading.

Mr Chadwick from the committee on division of towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Harmon Jague and others. The report was accepted and sent

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House for concurrence.

Order discharging the joint select committee to whom was referred the report of the valuation committee of thirteen came from the House amended. On motion of Mr Otis the order was laid on the table.

Mr Miller from the committee on State Lands and State roads reported leave to withdraw on petitions of Alfred S Stone and others: and legislation inexpedient on the subject of a resolve authorizing the Land Agent to purchase the improvements made on the Telos Canal.

Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the improvement of the road from the Military road to the mouth of Fish River (reported from the committee on State Lands and State roads on order relative to so much of the governor's message as relates to the improvement of State roads) was read once and to-morrow at eleven o'clock, assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr French the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon, the question pending was the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr Tallman, and before the question was taken the Senate

Adjourned. James O. L. Fisher Secy.

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Mr Otis on his request was discharged from further service on the valuation committee of thirteen appointed by the last legislature.

Resolves providing for a State valuation came from the house amended on sheet marked A. The Senate receded from its vote passing the same to be engrossed and adopted the amendment and passed the same to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of Conynona and vicinity, for appropriation on State Roads was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Seth Emerson and others in aid of the petition of William P. Preble and others,

Petition of P. M. Garcelous and others in aid of the same were severally referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Barnabas Freeman and others of North Yarmouth for the suppression of the traffic in intoxicating liquors was referred to the committee on that subject in

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending the 7th section of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes was passed in concurrence.

Petition of Caleb Sedding and others in aid of the same for a pension, was referred to the committee on Military pensions. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Henry Ward and others in aid of the petition of William P. Noble and others was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Order discharging the joint select committee to whom was referred the report of the valuation committee of thirteen came from the house amended. On motion of Mr. Lunt the Senate concurred the house in the adoption of the amendment and insisted on its former vote giving the order a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Wood from the Committee on Interior waters reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature, on petition of Thomas M. Moody and others; on petition of F. Wingate Carr and others; on petition of Samuel Bonsey and others; Allen Madrox and others and Charles Madder and others, severally accepted and sent down

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for concurrence.

Mr French from the Committee on Rail Roads and bridges reported leave to withdraw on petitions of Thomas Fife and others; and on petitions of William Reed. Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Augustine Haines, (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of said Haines.)

Bills entitled an act authorizing the sale of the Congregational Meeting House in the West Parish in Bethel (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Congregational Society of West Parish in Bethel) were severally read once and Monday next at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

The Senate resumed the consideration of Resolves relating to the Annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon; the question pending being on the amendment offered by Mr Tallman on the 16th instant & after further debate, was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster
Secretary.

Monday January 20, 1845.

Petition of Levi Morris and others; of David Hammons and others; of Calvin Bohannon and others; of James O. Foster and others, in aid of the petition of William McFetters and others.

and,

Memorial of John Rice of Portsmouth in behalf of the Proprietors of York bridge upon the expiration of the charter granted to said proprietors by the legislature of Massachusetts in 1804. now specially referred to the committee on Rail Roads and bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of Townships No 6. in the second range North of Hingham. Peabody Purchase for act of incorporation, was referred to the committee on incorporation of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Tristram F. Fordow and others of Popadumickeg for assistance from the State to repair Roads and bridges was referred to the committee on State Lands and State roads in concurrence.

Petition of Hannah Smith and others; of Mark Fernald and others for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxication.

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King liquors were severally referred to the committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Edward Little and others of S. P. Bourne and others in aid of the petition of William P. Prebble and others was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

The order raising a joint select committee to take into consideration the subject of making a reduction in the salaries of public officers came up, the house non-concurring the Senate in refusing the order a passage and insisting on its former vote. The Senate receded and concurred and joined Messrs Holden, Otis and Rose.

The report of the committee raised to contract with some person to do the State printing, came from the House accepted and the contractors bonds accompanying the same, directed to be lodged in the office of the Treasurer of State. The Senate concurred and the Secretary transmitted the bonds to office of the Treasurer of State.

Petitions of Asa Spooner and others praying that a bridge may be built across the St. Louis River at Masardis.

Petition of Settlers of Township N. W. Indian

Bill, purchase for aid to make his proposition of 121
a road in said township, were severally re-
ferred to the committee on State Lands and
State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Bangor Steam Navigation Company was
read the second time. Mr Ois moved
that the bill be indefinitely postponed,
and the Senate ordered that when the
question be taken it be taken by yeas and
nays. On motion of Mr Foster the bill was
laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act authorizing the
sale of the Congregational Meeting house
in the west Parish in Bethel

and,

Resolves in favor of Augustine Haines
were severally read the second time and
passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves for the improvement of the road
from the military road to the mouth
of Fish River was read the second time.
Mr Dunn moved an amendment on
sheet marked A. and while that motion
was pending the resolve was out his mo-
tion laid on the table.

Resolves for the repair of the Machias A.
acostock road was read the second
time. Mr Dunn offered an amendment
on sheet marked A and while that mo-
tion was pending the resolve was laid on

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the table.

Mr Dunn on leave laid on the table, a Resolue entitled a resolve in favor of John H. Boynton which was read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting attested copies of the actum of the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company. The communication was laid out the table.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting such returns of Cashiers of Banks and Clerks of Corporations as have been made to this office. The communication was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James A. L. Foster?
Secretary.

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Petition of Henry C. Boody and others;
of Samuel P. Ingraham and others; of
Nathaniel McPike and others; Isaac
True and others severally in aid of the
petition of William P. Feltle and others
and,

Petition of T. A. Fuller and others to
recharter the Peabody Bridge corpora-
tion were severally referred to the com-
mittee on Rail Roads and bridges in
concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Littlefield praying
for compensation for his services as Pres-
ident of a Court Marshal; and Peti-
tion of Oakman Ford praying for re-
muneration on account of confine-
ment in Hospital for the insane were
severally referred to the committee on
claims in concurrence.

Petition of Ashuel Martin and others for
extension of time allowed to perform
labors on the Madeseunk road, and
Petitions of Southwood and E. B. Sebley were
severally referred to the committee on
State Lands and State Roads in con-
currence.

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Petition of Theodore Lindau Jr and others for an act of incorporation, for an academy in the town of Denysville, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Levi Johnson and others for a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors, was referred to the committee on that subject in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the Committee on State Lands and State roads to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent, or County commissioners to grant permits to cut timber on reserved public lots in unincorporated townships, and directing the disposal of the money received from such permits, was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire the expediency of altering the sixth section of the thirty second chapter of the revised Statutes was refused a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of John H. Boynton was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Harmon Jagers and others, to set off a part of the town of Baldwin and

1845 incorporate the same into a new town. 125
was referred to the committee on division of towns. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Faye, ordered that the Secretary of State be requested to furnish three copies of the Revised Statutes, and three copies of the Laws and Resolves passed by the twenty fourth, twenty third and twenty second legislatures of this State each for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Holden, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so altering the constitution, that Representatives to the Legislature may be elected by a plurality vote after one unsuccessful trial; - also into the expediency of so altering the present law relating to the elections of Representatives to Congress that they may be elected by a plurality vote after one unsuccessful trial.

On motion of Mr Durn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves for improvement of the Road from the Military Road to the mouth of Fish river. The question pending, being the adoption of the amendment offered yesterday by Mr Durn was decided in the negative. The question returned upon the passage of the Re-

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solved to be engrossed, and on motion of
Mr Dunn the Senate ordered that when
the question be taken, it be taken by
yeas and nays.

Mr Otis offered an amendment on
sheet marked A and while the ques-
tion was pending the Resolue was on
his motion laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster
Secretary.

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Petition of John Sawyer and others in Raymond in aid of the petition of William P. Preble and others was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Harry E. Robinson for military pension was referred to the committee on military pensions in concurrence.

Petition of the Town of Ashblow and Newcastle for further laws to protect fish in Damariscotta waters was referred to the committee on fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of A. S. Wakefield and others; and of A. S. Brown and others for the passage of a law for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors were severally referred to the committee on that subject.

Petition of B. J. Winslow for a log rafting company upon the Kennebec River was referred to the committee on interior waters in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Wainwright for remuneration for services of his father as a revolutionary soldier was referred to the com-

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 Committee on State Lands and State Roads.
 Sent down for concurrence.

Resolue in favor of Red Polis was referred to the committee on Indian affairs, in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of altering the law relative to the approval of poor debtors bonds was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House referring the report of the Land agent to the committee on State Lands and State roads was passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn, ordered that the committee on reënfranchisement to inquire into the expediency of altering the law relating to Hawks and Pedlars. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr French from the committee on Rail Roads and bridges reported order of notice on petition of Alexander Cummings and others, returnable to the present Legislature. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Foye from the committee on the Judiciary reported Legislation inexpedient on the subject of an order relative to amending the seventh section of the twenty third Chap

on of the revised Statutes; leave to withdraw on petition of James Cass; that a Resolve defining the power to grant divorces as a judicial power ought not to pass; and reference to the committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of William H. Pope and another; Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence. 127

On motion of Mr French, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in relation to the annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon. The question pending was the adoption of the amendment on sheet marked A, offered by Mr Tallman on the 16th instant.

Mr Barrett offered an amendment to the amendment on sheet marked B, and the same was rejected. The question returned upon adopting the amendment offered by Mr Tallman and that question was ordered on motions of Mr Dunw to be taken by yeas and nays, and was, on request of Mr Barrett divided, and taken on adopting the first resolution of the amendment in the words following to wit:-

Resolved. That as the recent Presidential campaign the immediate annexation of Texas was a question of paramount importance and fully and freely discussed, that Maine by her vote for James K. Polk the bold and determined advocate of immediate annexation, has decided for and demands its consummation" and decided in the negative as follows:

Wednesday January 22.

Yeas: Messrs Chase, Chadwick, Hastings, Tallman, Townsend, Warren, Pillsbury, 7.

Nays: Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Deering, Dunn, French, Faye, Holmes, Holden, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Ows, Porter, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Sherburne, Skillin, Swan, Wood, 20.

The question of adopting the second Resolution of the amendment in the words following to wit:

"Resolved, That the United and the Republic of Texas as sovereign and independent governments are under no obligation to consult the will or pleasure of any other power as to the question or terms of their union" was decided in the negative as follows:

Yeas: Messrs Barrett, Chase, Chadwick, Hastings, Pillsbury, Tallman, Townsend, and Warren, 8.

Nays: Messrs Barnard, Deering, Dunn, French, Faye, Holmes, Holden, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Ows, Porter, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Sherburne, Skillin, Swan, and Woods, 19.

The question of adopting the third Resolution in the amendment was in the words as follows to wit:

Resolved, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives, requested to give their support to the immediate annexation of Texas to the United States. was decided in the negative as follows;

8/5 Yeas Messrs Barnett, Chase, Chadwick, 131
Hastings, Pillsbury, Tallman, Towns-
end, and Warren. 8.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Deering, Dunn,
French, Frye, Holmes, Holden, Knowl-
ton, Miller, Monroe, Ohio, Porter, Rose,
Sargent, Shaw, Sherburne, Skillin, Swan,
and Woods. 19.

Mr Holmes offered an amendment in
the words following to wit:-

"Resolved That we consider democracy
based upon equal rights and recognizing
the fundamental principle of our insti-
tutions, that 'all men are born free and
equal' we hold it to be the imperative
duty of Texas to abolish slavery through-
out her whole territory, and when an-
nexed, become annexed as a free State"
and the question of agreeing to it was deci-
ded in the negative as follows;

Yeas Messrs Holmes, Swan, Wood. 3.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barnett, Chase, Chad-
wick, Deering, Dunn, French, Frye, Has-
tings, Holden, Knowlton, Miller, Mon-
roe, Ohio, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sargent,
Shaw, Sherburne, Skillin Towns end and
Warren. 23.

Mr Tallman, on his request was excused
from voting.

Mr Sherburne offered an amendment
on sheet marked A which was accep-
ted.

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Mr Holmes moved to lay the resolves
on the table and while that motion
was pending the Senate.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of Henry Flagg for reduction of the valuation of townships No. 6. Range 8 and for abatement of a portion of the taxes on the same was referred to the committee on claims in concurrence.

Petitions of Andrew Masters and others for an act of incorporation was referred to the committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of John H. Norris and others in aid of the petition of William P. Preble and others was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Edwin Howe and others against the petition of the inhabitants of Melboro and Newcastle was referred to the committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of the Papamaguddy Indians for an appropriation to build a house for their Priest was referred to the committee on Indian affairs. Sent down for concurrence.

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The following orders from the House were passed in concurrence.

Directing the committee on retrenchment to inquire into the expediency of reducing the fees of County Commissioners to two dollars per day and their travel to six cents per mile.

Instruction the committee on the judiciary to inquire into the expediency of passing a law making Houses, Sheds, Sines and meat Stacks liable to taxation in the towns when they may be kept on the first day of May and also making the same liable to the payment of the tax which may be applied upon them.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the Resolves in relation to the annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon. the motion pending to lay the same on the table was decided in the negative. The question returned upon passing the Resolves to be engrossed as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the report of the minority of the committee on so much of the governors message as relates to the annexation of Texas and the same was on his mo-

tion indefinitely postponed. Sent down 135
for concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on the
judiciary to inquire into the expedi-
ency of amending the sixth section
of the thirty second Chapter of the Re-
vised Statutes, came up, the House
insisting on its former vote giving
the same a passage. The Senate re-
cided and concurred.

Reports of the Committee on division
of towns, directing order of Notice re-
turnable to the present Legislature, and
petition of Floyd Hinkley, and one pe-
tition of William B. Warren were suc-
cessfully accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Shaw, ordered that
a committee be raised with such
as the House may join to ascertain
the number of vacancies now exist-
ing in the Valuation Committee, And
that said committee report as soon as
may be, and also to report the time
and manner of filling said vacan-
cies, and Messrs Shaw, Duran and Bar-
rett, were appointed said committee
on the part of the Senate. Sent down
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Swan ordered that
the committee on the Judiciary inquire
whether any and what further legislation
is necessary to provide for the discharge

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of the duties of the Office of Register of Deeds in case of vacancy in said office.

On motion of Mr Tallman ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire whether any alterations, or amendments of the act entitled "an act to secure the married women their rights in property passed March 23, 1844. are necessary in order to make the same effectual.

Mr Hastings from the Committee on Military Pensions, reported that a Resolve in favor of John Martin ought not to pass, &c. accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of David Brown (reported from the Committee on Military Pensions on petition of said Brown) was read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

Mr Wood from the Committee on Interior & Waters, reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of Inhabitants of Oldtown and Milford, and on petition of Charles Maddox and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned. To³ U. S. Tues.
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Friday, January 21st. 1845.

Mr Chadwick from the Committee on Division of towns, reported order of notice returnable to the present legislature on petition of Joseph S. Hackett, and on petition of Harmon Jague. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Frye from the Committee on the judiciary made a report asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order making horses, sheep, swine and meat cattle taxable in the towns where they may be on the first day of May; and from an order relative to a tax on professional incomes. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Shortum from the Committee on claims reported leave to withdraw on petition of Thomas Littlefield, and on petition of Columbus Crockett. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Iron manufacturing Company (reported by the Committee on manufactures on petition of Joshua Richardson and others,
and,

Friday January 24.

An act additional to an act entitled an act additional to an act in relation to the public lands (reported from the committee on the Judiciary on petition of M^r J. Talbot and others) was read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

Resolve in favor of Daniel Brown was read the second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Chis, the report of the Warden of the State Prison was referred to the Committee on State Prison. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Isaac A Stanley and others, of Benajah Walker and others, of J B Tenny and others, severally for the abolition of Capital Punishment were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Warrington that the committee on fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the 54th Chapter of the Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr Foster ordered that the committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of changing the time of holding the courts of County Commissioners in the County of

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Resolves for the improvement of the road from the military road to the mouth of Fish River. The question pending was on adopting the amendment offered by him on the 21st instant; and the same was decided in the affirmative. The resolve was then laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Sebastian Neptune was read twice, the rule being suspended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolution in favor of Nicholas Coffin reported from the Committee on Military pensions on petition of said Coffin was read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

Adjourned

James O. L. Foster,

Secretary

Saturday January 25. 1845.

Mr Darling from the Committee on engrossed bills reported that bill entitled, An act authorizing the sale of the Congregational meeting house in the west Parish in Bethel was correctly engrossed and the same was passed to be enacted.

Mr Deering from the Committee on engrossed bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

Resolve providing for a State Natuatiore
and,

Resolve in favor of John C Boynton, and the same were finally passed.

Petition of William P Frost and others, of Emma in Shaw and others, of Edwin Smith and others, Moses True and others, Hannah R Atwood and others, James P Hall and others, Smith Fairfield and others, severally for the passage of a law for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of William Kimball and others for the incorporation of the Portland Steam Packet company, and petition of the City Council of Portland for authority

845 to assess a tax of one thousand dollars 124
for purposes therein named were severally
referred to the Committee on the judi-
ciary in concurrence.

Petition of Elliot A. Naugle for a deduc-
tion on his notes due the State.

Petition of Putnam Roll for a law to au-
thorize the agent of the Passamaquaddy In-
dians to give permission to build mills
on the Indian Township were severally re-
ferred to the Committee on State Lands
and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Barker and others
for the abolition of capital punishment
was referred to the Committee on the
Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Cookstair and another
for compensation as representative of
the Pequot Tribe of Indians was re-
ferred to the Committee on Indian af-
fairs in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Burnes and others to
be set off from the town of Embden and
annexed to New Portland, was referred
to the Committee on the Division of towns
in concurrence.

Petition of James Winslow and others to
be incorporated as a mutual fire insur-
ance Company

And,

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Petition of Wyatt B Rogers and another that Township No 1 Range 4 be set off from the Concord Representative district and annexed to the Brigham District, was severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to protect bona fide assignments in certain cases was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Dore for pecuniary relief was on motion of Mr Wood laid on the table.

The Joint select Committee appointed to ascertain the vacancies in the valuation Committee, and report the time and manner of filling the same reported that four vacancies exist in said committee, viz in the Counties of Cumberland, Lincoln, York and Kennebec, and that the same be filled by an election by ballot in concurrence of both branches of the Legislature to be held in the Hall of the House, January 25, 1845 at Eleven o'clock A.M. and that the names be presented by the County delegations in each County. On motion of Mr Otis the report was amended on Sheet marked A and as amended was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

145 Order from the House directing the Com- 148
mittee on the Judiciary to inquire whether
it is the practice of the Secretary of the Sen-
ate or the clerks of the House to demand
fees for copies, when aided by committees
was our motion of Mr Hastings laid on
the table.

Our motion of Mr Dunn, ordered that the
committee on the Judiciary be directed to
inquire into the expediency of altering the
law regulating the fees of clerks of the
Courts. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Inge from the Committee on the Judic-
iary reported leave to withdraw our
petition of Waneu Rice; legislation inex-
pedient on order relative to power of
Magistrates in issuing warrants for the
arrest of offenders.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Portland Iron manufacturing company
was read a second time and on mo-
tion of Mr Olin laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act
entitled an act additional to an act in
relation to public lands was read a second
time and passed to be engrossed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to repeal an act
dividing the town of Deer Isle into two dis-
tricts for election purposes (reported by the
Committee on the Judiciary on order re-

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ative to that subject), was read once and Monday next a ~~clerk~~ ^{clerk} ~~clock~~ assigned for a second reading.

Mr Skellin from the Committee on fisheries reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of the Town of Volcano, and Newcastle). Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives informing that body that the Senate propose a concution of the two Houses in the Representatives Hall forthwith, for the purpose of filling the vacancies existing in the valuation Committee.

A message was received from the House concurring in the foregoing proposition.

In Concution.

Agreeably to assignment the two Houses met in concution for the purpose of filling the vacancies in the valuation committee.

Members Dunn, Otis and Frye of the Senate, and Blaney of Bristol, Durbank of Watertown, Mawson of Durham, Mowen of Hallowell, Fenderson of Milton, Walker of Bethel and Doane of Orono, of the House were appointed a committee to receive sort and count the votes for persons to fill the vacancies in the valuation committee, attended,

145 to that duty and reported that the whole number of ballots collected and counted was. 105.

Necessary to a choice,	53.
Daniel C Emery has	100.
Stephen Woodman "	100.
Josiah Merrow "	100.
Leavitt Githrope "	81.
Isaac Hariman "	91.
Blanks "	3.

The report was accepted, and Daniel C Emery, Stephen Woodman, Josiah Merrow, and Leavitt Githrope were accordingly declared duly elected to fill said vacancies.

On motion of Mr Dunn ordered that the Secretary of the Senate notify the Chairman of the Valuation Committee that Daniel C Emery, Stephen Woodman, Josiah Merrow and Leavitt Githrope have been duly elected to fill the vacancies now existing in the valuation Committee.

Resolue in favor of Nicholas Coffin was read a second time and papered to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of William Smith and others of Bangor for an act to incorporate the Penobscot Steam Tow Boat Company was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of East Egremore for incorporation of trustee of Ministerial and School funds was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of William Lee and others for an act of incorporation to build a bridge across the Penobscot River at the mouth of the Pisataquis River came from the House referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. The Senate non-concurred in the reference, and referred the same to the Committee on Rail Roads and bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel Webster and others for an appropriation of State Lands to repair roads.

Petition of William E. Hanson and others for an appropriation of Land for the making of a county road,

Petition of Walker Darling for a Resolve au-

authorizing the Land Agent to convey to himself a certain tract of Land were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Job A Tuttle and others, of Amesbury and others severally in aid of the petition of William P. Preble and others.

Petition of H. O. Alden and others for renewal of the Charter of Belfast and Bucks Rail Road were severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Reuben Rideout and others, of Mary J. Little and others; Rachael Baston and others, Reuben Blanchard and others, severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Blethen and others; of Ebenezer Knowlton and others, for reduction of salaries were severally referred to the Committee on retrenchment in concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Grover and others in aid of the petition of William P. Preble and others, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

The following orders from the House were passed in concurrence.

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Instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending the one hundred and fortieth and one hundred and fifty first Chapter of the Revised Statutes.

Instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of adopting suitable statute regulations respecting the ratification of contracts made by minors.

Mr Sherman from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed;

Resolve in favor of Sebattis Neptune and the same was finally passed,

The Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval,

Resolve in favor of Sebattis Neptune,

Resolve in favor of John H Boynton,

Resolve providing for a State Valuation,
and

Bill entitled an act authorizing the sale of the Congregational meeting House in the West Parish in Bethel.

Mr Holmes on leave laid on the table,
Resolves relating to the reduction of postage and the same were read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second

Mr Dunn on leave laid on the table bill entitled an act making towns liable for certain personal injuries which was read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to repeal an act dividing the town of New Ark into two districts for election purposes was read the second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the trustees of the Litchfield Academy (reported from the committee on education on petition of Trustees of Litchfield Academy) was read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

Mr Chase from the committee on education reported leave to withdraw on petition of Catharine J. D. O. Farnsworth; legislation inexpedient on the subject of the petition of Daniel D. Torrey and others; and order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of Inhabitants of Lowell. Secretly accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Shubert, ordered that the committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of

150 making alterations in chapter one hundred and thirty seven of the revised Statutes.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Remonstrance of Peat Huzzey and others against the petition of the Inhabitants of Acetaboro and Newcastle in relation to fisheries in said towns, was referred to the Committee on fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of S R Jordan against the petition of S Bowsey and others for an act to charter a Slave Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Pollard for remuneration for loss sustained from State, seizing his timber, was referred to the Committee on claims in concurrence.

Petition of S C Tallot and others in aid of the petition of William L Pope and another was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Gideon Mc Randall and others to be incorporated as a manufacturing company,

and

Petition of Jeremiah Holman and others to be incorporated into a manufacturing company were severally referred

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to the Committee on Manufactures in
concurrence.

Petition of William Willbourn and others; of
William Badger and others, severally for
a law to regulate the sale of Medicines,
and

Petition of John M. Frye and others for
the passage of a law to suppress the traf-
fic in intoxicating liquors, were severally re-
ferred to the Committee on the Lieut.
laws in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Small and others; of A.
Hayford and others; of Andrew Ring and
others; of Philip Greely and others; of Joseph
Raguso and others; of Levi Patch and others;
of Stephen W. Marble and others severally
in aid of the Petition of William P. Frettle
and others,

Petition of Barnuel Small and others for
an act of incorporation by the name of the
Machias Port and East Machias Toll bridge
company,

and

Resolves of the town of North Yarmouth in aid
of the petition of William P. Frettle and
others, were severally referred to the Commit-
tee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concu-
rrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Trustees of the Litchfield Academy, was
read the second time and passed to be

Bill entitled an act making towns liable
for certain personal injuries,

and

Resolves relating to the reduction of post-
age were severally read the second time
and referred to the Committee on the Ju-
diciary. Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from
Philip C. Johnson Secretary of State, trans-
mitting a letter from Alexander Patterson
in relation to international exchanges, on
motion of Mr Miller it was ordered to
be printed.

On motion of Mr Fugent ordered that
the Messenger be directed to deposit
fifty copies of the rules and orders of
the Senate in the Secretary's office for
the use of the Senate of 1846.

Petition of Isaac Cowan and others in aid
the petition of William Frettle and others,
was referred to the Committee on Rail
Roads and Bridges. Sent down for con-
currence.

Petition of Moses Brumleaf for aid in pub-
lishing his new map of Maine was referred
to the committee on Education in concur-
rence.

Adjourned

James C. L. Foster Secretary

Wednesday January 29. 1845.

Mr Chadwick from the Committee on division of towns, reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of Isaac Burns and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Rumford for management of School fund in said town was referred to the Committee on education in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Day and others asking for a toll to be established on the Palmer and Abashias Port Rail Road,
and

Petition of Benjamin Leach and others; of P. C. Harris and others; of A. B. Cole and others; Severally in aid of the petition of William P. Feltle and others were referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrances of C. B. Webster and others, against being set off from Industry to New Vineyard was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Wilkins and others for further time to redeem a lot of land and

referred to the Committee on State Lands 155
and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of John T. Ames and others for opening
a fishway in Quabbin Stream
and

Petition of Joseph Miller and others for
same were referred to the Committee on
Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of E. T. Sprague, and others in aid
of same for a pension was referred to the
Committee on Military Pensions in con-
currence.

Petition of Stephen Pierce and others, of Se-
siah Mercey and others; Charlotte Pierce
and others for the passage of a law to
more effectually suppress the sale of in-
toxicating liquors, were severally referred to
the Committee on that subject in con-
currence.

Petition of Cardine Farnwell and others;
of Waldo County Washingtonian total ab-
stinence society; of Sarah S. Hyde and
others; of Benjamin T. Cunningham and
others; of G. B. Wetherbee and others; of
John C. Hyde and others; of Peter Ful-
ler and others; of Abigail Stanett and
others; of James S. Jordan and others; of
Jane W. Crane and others, severally for the
passage of a law to suppress the traffic
in intoxicating liquors were referred to
the Committee on that subject.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Petition of William Cornea and others asking the repeal of the toll on Kennebec Dam Corporation was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Settlers of Townships No 2. Indian purchase; and referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of Asa Spooner and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Frye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to the sixth section of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, and on order relative to repealing the act providing for the election of county officers; and leave to withdraw on petition of Wyatt B Rogers and others. Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Frye from same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to authorizing Judges of Probate to give licenses to guardians, who may apply for such, to insure the property of minors in mutual insurance Companies. On motion of Mr Dunn the Report was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act authorizing the City Council of the City of Portland to raise and assess a tax on the inhabitants of said City (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of the City Council of Portland.)

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Steam Row Boat Company (reported from the same Committee on petition of William B. Smith and others.

and

Resolves respecting the French Spoliations upon American Commerce (from the House passed to be engrossed) were severally read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Rose the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves for the improvement of the road from the Military road to the mouth of Fish River, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows: Yeas;

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Chase, Chauncie, Dering, Frye, Hastings, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Postu, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Swan, Townsend, Warren, 18.

Nays. Messrs Dunn and Skellin 2.
Mr Otis on his request was excused from voting.

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Resolves in relation to the annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon came up, the House having nonconcurring the Senate in passing the same to be engrossed, amended them by striking out the second, third and fourth Resolves, and indefinitely postponed the same.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate nonconcurring the House in its amendment, and in its vote of indefinite postponement and insisted on its former vote passing the Resolves to be engrossed, by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:

Yea. Reps. Barnard, Chadwick, Dering, Dunn, Faye, Hastings, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Ross, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin, Townsend, March 18.
 Nay. Reps. Barnett, Chase, Holmes, Smiley, Swan, Wood, C.

Petitions of C. B. Pierce and others that the County Commissioners, of Peasebset County may be authorized to expend four thousand dollars to aid in building bridges across Orson Island; and also that aid may be granted from the Indian fund for the same purpose was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the paper relating to the Kennebec Lock and Canal Corporation to be taken from the

files and referred to the Committee on 159
Interior matters, was passed in concu-
rence.

On motion of Mr Holmes, ordered that
the Committee on the Judiciary be di-
rected to inquire into the expediency
of passing an act, providing that any
property given to minors by any of their
guardians (except their parents) shall be ex-
empted from attachment on account
of any debts of their parents.

On motion of Mr Faye, ordered that
the Committee on the Judiciary, be in-
structed to inquire, if any, what alterations
or additions are necessary to be made
in the laws relating to appeals from Coun-
ty Commissioners; and also to inquire whether
a said law ought not to be repealed.

On motion of Mr Swan, ordered that
the Committee on the Judiciary in-
quire into the expediency of so amend-
ing the fifteenth section of the twenty
fifth chapter of the Revised Statutes, as
to make it the duty of the Chairman
of the County Commissioners within the
County, perform the duties in said sec-
tion required by the County Attorney.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
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Petition of Mary Neal and others; of Joseph Higgins and others; of Samuel Whistney and others; of Charles A Holmes and others; of Downing Goodenow and others; of Abigail McPurinton and others; of Eliza B Burns and others; of Cumberland County Washington Total abstinence society; of Isaac Finney and others; of Isaac Crocker and others; of James Charters and others; of Elizabeth Winsor and others; of Samuel Jenkins and others; of Winthrop T Bradbury and others; of Lydia Stearns and others; of William Purus and others; of Ruth Ingraham and others; of James Hall and others; of Harriet Waterhouse and others; of John T Lambert and others; of Caroline Hall and others; of Moses Patten and others; of Daniel Hunt and others; of Zebulon Davis and others; of Neal Dow and others; Severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Knoutton ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of further regulating the price of board of prisoners.

Petition of Benajah Buffum and others

for an act of incorporation as a man-161
ufacturing company was referred to the
Committee on Manufactures in concurren-
ce.

Remonstrance of Joseph Mearns and oth-
ers against the petition of inhabitants of
Hobbs and Newcastle in relation to fish-
eries was referred to the Committee on fish-
eries in concurrence.

Petition of J. C. Humphreys and others for
a Prussian Seminary incorporation was
referred to the Committee on Education in
concurrence.

Petition of John M. Garrison for leave to
build a road from Richmond Island
and

Petition of George H. Shirley and others, and
of Zebulon Ingersoll and others in aid of
the petition of William P. Feltle and others
were severally referred to the Committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the town of Mt. Vernon
against the petition of Albert J. Gilman
and others,

and

Petition of Samuel Furman and others of
Calumet praying to be annexed to the
town of Liberty, were severally referred to
the Committee on division of Towns in con-
currence.

Remonstrance of M. W. Sanabala and others

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 against the incorporation of Townships No
 6, was referred to the Committee on in-
 corporation of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Gina Hyde and others for in-
 corporation as a parish was referred to the
 Committee on division of towns. Sent down
 for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Shaw the Senate pro-
 ceeded to the consideration of the petition
 of Samuel Dore, and on his motion the
 Senate nonconcurring the House in refer-
 ring the same to the Committee on Agri-
 culture and referred the same to the com-
 mittee on State lands and State Roads,
 Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the Com-
 mittee on the Judiciary to inquire into the
 expediency of requiring the publishers of the
 laws of of the State, to publish the same, with
 same size of leaf as the Revised Statutes
 was on motion of Mr Swan laid on
 the table.

Order from the House referring the report
 of the Adjutant General to the Committee
 on the Militia was passed in concurrence.

Petition of Peter Mink and others, Trustees
 of the German Protestant Society in Walden-
 so for leave to sell their lands in Walden-
 so, and to appropriate the proceeds thereof
 for the support of their minister was

referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence. 63.

Petition of A. F. Farnow and others for the passage of a law exempting the property of Manufacturing Corporations from taxation was referred to the Committee on manufactures. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act authorizing the City Council of the City of Portland to raise and assess a tax on the inhabitants of said City was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves respecting the French Spoliations upon American Commerce was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Steam Tow Boat Company was read a second time and on motion of Mr. Otis was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act altering the time of holding the stated sessions of the County Commissioners meetings in the County of Hancock, passed to be engrossed in the house.

And

An act to continue in force an act entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Maine Bank (reported from the committee on Banks and Banking on petition of the stockholders

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of said Bank

and:

Resolves in favor of Henry Robinson (reported from the Committee on Military Pensions on petition of said Robinson) were severally read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to establish the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Rail Road Company (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of William F. Fieble and others) was read once and Tuesday next at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Stout seven hundred copies of the bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. French from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of William S. Lee and others; of S. A. Fuller and others; of H. A. Alden and others; of Samuel Small and others; and of William Conner and others; severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Tallman on leave introduced resolves entitled Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas and on motion of Mr. Sumner they were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Monroe ordered that the 165
Committee on the Judiciary be directed
to inquire into the expediency of al-
tering the time of holding the Spring
term of the district Court in the Coun-
ty of Piscataquis. Sent down for concu-
rence.

On motion of Mr Wood ordered that so
much of the Governor's Message as re-
lates to the furnishing courts in the State
Prison with books and periodicals be re-
ferred to the Committee on State Prisons.
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Hastings from the Committee on
engrossed bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed.

Resolve in favor of Daniel Brown, and
the same was finally passed.

Resolve in favor of Charles F Spear (report-
ed from the Committee on Military
Pensions on petition of said Spear) was
read once and tomorrow at eleven
o'clock assigned for a second read-
ing.

Adjourned

James C. L. Foster,
Secretary

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Petition of Simeon Hall and others; of Levin Sudlow and others severally in aid of the petition of William P. Noble and others were referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Jedediah Fairfield for further time to build a mill and perform settling duties was referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Larnelia Wood for a pension was referred to the Committee on military Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Salmo of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians that all the land belonging to the Parish excepting an acre be letted out and disposed of for the benefit of the tribe was referred to the Committee on Indian affairs in concurrence.

Petition of S. Allen and others for an act of incorporation of an Academy was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Foscilla Caskell and others; of

Brewell S. Blake and others; of Samuel May 167 and others; of Warr H. Montgomery and others; of Ann Smith and others; of Mary Shuman and others; of Daniel Emery and others; of Lydia P. Peath and others; of Marshall Smith and others; of C. C. Fessenden and others; of Robert Montgomery and others; of Berana Greely and others; of John Stone and others generally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Jacob Ames and others against the Annexation of Texas, read on motion of Mr French laid on the table.

Petition of Thomas Day and others for an alteration of an act to incorporate the Marias River Company was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Webster and others that the County Treasurers may be authorized to sell a part, or all the lots of land in unincorporated townships reserved for public uses, for the benefit of schools in said townships, was referred to the Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Otis the report of the Inspector of the State Prison was referred to the Committee on the State Prison. Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr Shaw from the Committee on the Incorporation of towns, reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of Abner Littlefield and another. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to set off Great Island from Rorne to Belgrade in the County of Kennebec (reported from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of John H Hoyt)

and

Resolve in favor of Walker Darling (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of said Darling) were severally read once and tomorrow at eleven o'clock, assigned for a second reading.

Resolve in favor of Charles F Spear,
and

Bill entitled an act to continue in force an act entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Maine Bank were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

An act altering the time of holding the stated sessions of the County Commissioners in the County of Hancock was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

165 Resolved in favor of Harney & Robinson 169
was read a second time and refused
a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve providing for an amendment
of the constitution in relation to the elec-
tion of Representatives to the legislature
reported from the Committee on the Ju-
diciary on order relative to that subject
were on motion of Mr Barnett laid on
the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr Frye from the Committee on the
Judiciary reported reference to the next
legislature on so much of an order as
relates to the election of Representatives to
Congress by a plurality of votes.

Petition of Joseph Hooker and another
that convicts in the State Prison may
be furnished with a temperance news-
paper at the expense of the State was
referred to the Committee on the State
Prison. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the Committee on en-
gaged bills reported as truly and correct-
ly engrossed.

Resolved in favor of Augustine Cairnes and.
The same was finally passed.

Adjourned.

James S. L. Felt
Secretary

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The Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval,

Resolve in favor of Augustine Haines,
and

Resolve in favor of Daniel Brown.

Petition of Gina Hyde and others came from the House referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The Senate concurred and referred the same in concurrence.

Petition of S. T. Thomas and others in aid of the petition of William B. Dubble and others was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of John Ware and others; of Elizabeth A. Fuller and others; Gardner Phillips and others; John Paulson and others; Lydia B. Fuller and others; Henry Sewall and others; Nathaniel Porter and others; Eliza Goodwin and others; Leonard P. Smith and others severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the committee on that subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns directing order of notice

45 on petition of Thomas Lindsey and others 1771.
was accepted in concurrence.

Mr Chadwick from the Committee on
Division of Towns reported leave to with-
draw on petition of Albert G Silsbee and
others. Accepted and sent down for
concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Walker Darling,
and

Bill entitled an act to set off Great
Island from Clorne to Belgrade in the
County of Kennebec were severally read
a second time and passed to be en-
grosed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
the town of Whitneyville (passed to be
engrosed in the House)

An act regulating the compensation
to Jailors for the support of prisoners
in County jails (reported from the
Committee on the Judiciary on order
relative to that subject)

An act to set off certain lands from
Mount Vernon to the town of Readfield
in the County of Kennebec reported
from the Committee on Division of Towns
on petition of Franklin Bean and others
and

An act to set off certain lands from
the town of Readfield to the town of
Mount Vernon in the County of Kenne-

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was reported from the Committee on Dispositions of Towns on petition of Peter Folger, were severally read over and Monday next at eleven o'clock, assigned for a second reading.

Mr Tallman moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas introduced by him on the 30th ultimo and the question was decided in the negative by yeas and nays as follows; to wit,
Yeas, Messrs. Bailett, Chadwick, Hastings, Pillsbury, Tallman, Warren, 6.
Nays, Messrs. French, Frye, Holmes, Holden, Knoutton, Miller, Ohio, Rose, Sargent, Smiley, Stout, Swan, Townsend, 13.

Adjourned,

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of S. C. Fenderson and others; of Phile Subtil and others; of John S. Patton and others; of Met Briggs and others; of Ruben H. Stetson and others. Serially for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were severally referred to the Committee on that Subject in concurrence.

Petition of Jacob Moain for a discount on his notes due the State was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of James A. Cooper and others to be incorporated as the Newmarket and Boston Steam Navigation Company, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that that body had made choice of Elbridge Gerry as Speaker pro tempore.

The following message was received from the Governor.
To the Senate.

And House of Representatives.

I herewith lay before you a copy of a report of the Executive Council, in relation

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to the return of votes upon the amendment of the Constitution proposed by the Resolves of 19th March, 1844.

I have received a copy of Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, concerning the power of Congress to interfere with the domestic institutions of the State; also, a copy of Preamble and Resolutions of the General Assembly of Kentucky, relative to an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and Preamble and Resolutions in relation to the admission to seats in the House of Representatives of Congress of persons not elected according to law; also Resolves of the Legislature of Massachusetts, relating to a "Preamble and Resolutions of the General Assembly of Virginia" and Resolves concerning the annexation of Texas, also a copy of Protest and Declaration of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, against any interference by Congress with the internal government and constitution of said State; also a copy of Resolutions of the Legislature of Georgia against the repudiation of State debts; and copies of certain proceedings of the Legislature of South Carolina, upon the appointment by the State of Massachusetts of a special Agent for certain purposes. All of which are herewith transmitted to the Legislature.

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On motion of Mr Otis the report of Council was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and the Message with the other documents accompanying the same were laid upon the table.

Bill entitled an act regulating the compensation of Jailors for the support of prisoners in county Jails was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bills entitled,

An act to set off certain lands from the town of Readfield to the town of Mount Vernon in the County of Kennebec;

An act to set off certain lands from Mount Vernon to the town of Readfield in the County of Kennebec were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the town of Whitneyville was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr Hastings from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as duly and correctly engrossed, Resolves relating to the annexation of Texas and the occupation of Oregon, and the same were finally passed and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr Chase from the Committee on Education

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reported order of notice returnable to
the present Legislature on petition of
Selectmen of Wilmford. Accepted and
sent down for consummation.

Adjourned

James C. L. Foster
Secretary.

Tuesday February 4. 1845.

Remonstrance of Orville Knight and others against the Division of the town of Peru was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the valuation Committee informing the legislature that two additional Clerks are necessary in order to facilitate the action of the Committee, and requesting authority to employ them.

On motion of Mr. Rose ordered that the valuation Committee be authorized to employ one or two clerks to serve on the valuation committee in making up a valuation if they think proper, at a compensation not exceeding two dollars per day. Sent down for concurrence.

The following communication was received from the Governor.

To the members of the Senate,

And House of Representatives
Since the date of my annual communication I have received from Mr. James C. Abadegan who was appointed to superintend the establishment of schools in the Madanaska settlement on the St John,

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under Resolve of February 16th 1844, his third and final Report, which I have with transmit for the consideration of the Legislature.

Having referred to this subject in a former communication I deem it necessary only to add that a perusal of the Report above referred to, has confirmed the opinion I then expressed, in relation both to the utility and practicability of the undertaking; and I trust it may be deemed compatible with the interests of the State, to continue a moderate appropriation for its further prosecution.

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The communication and report were on motion of Mr Quinn referred to the committee on Education, and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill entitled an act, to establish the Portland and St Lawrence Rail Road Company, was read a second time, amended as on sheet marked A. and on motion of Mr French was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act, authorizing the City Council of the City of Portland to raise and assess a tax on the inhabitants of said City came up, the House having now concurred the Senate, passing the bill to be engrossed, and recommended the same

with instructions to report order of notice. 179.
The Senate nonconcurred the House and
insisted on its former vote. Sent down
for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act, additional to an act,
entitled an act additional to an act,
in relation to the public lands came
from the House amended on sheet
marked A and B. Mr. Foye moved
that the Senate nonconcur the House
in the amendment on sheet A. and while
that motion was pending, the bill on motion
of Mr. Miller was laid on the table.

The following orders from the House were
passed in concurrence.

Directing the Committee on Agriculture
to inquire into the expediency of amend-
ing the 126th Chapter of the Revised Stat-
utes relative to the flowage of lands.

Directing the Committee on Manufactures to inquire in-
to the expediency of amending the law in
relation to manufacturing corporations
approved March 20th 1844.

Directing the petition of Nathaniel B
Frost and others to be taken from the files
and referred to the Committee on Divis-
ion of towns.

Resolve in relation to the State Library (re-
ported from the Committee on State Librar-
y on order relative to allowing report-

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as to take books from the State Library, and on order relative to allowing Chaplains of the House to take books from same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Petitions of H. S. Russ and others; of Robinson Parlin and others; for an alteration in the law defining the duties of County Commissioners, were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of James Bister and others for a Division of the town of Peru,
and

Remonstrance of the town of Starks against the petition of James McHilton and others, were severally referred to the Committee on Division Towns in concurrence.

Petition of the St Albans Woollen Manufacturing Company for an increase of capital stock was referred to the Committee on manufactures. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of George H. Devereux that forfeiture of certain lands, for nonpayment of taxes may be remitted was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of George L. Hosmer and others

for the repeal of the law prohibiting the ¹⁸¹
setting of nets for the taking of Herring
east of Neachias in Washington County,
was referred to the Committee on fish-
eries. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the Committee on
engrossed bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed,

Bills entitled,

An act to repeal an act dividing
the town of Deer Isle into two districts
for election purposes

and

An act to incorporate the Trustees
of Litchfield Academy and the same
were passed to be enacted,

and

Resolve in favor of Nicholas Coffin and
the same finally passed.

Adjourned.

James S. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Wednesday, February 5, 1845.

Petition of Mahala Dudley and others; of Ellen George and others; of Paul Samuelson and others; of E. W. Cushman and others; of Mary S. Roberts and others, severally for the passage of a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Timothy Mc Intire and others in favor of equalizing the toll on the Kennebec Locks and Canals was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Peter Philips and others for the sale of certain lands reserved for public uses was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Stockholders of the City Bank for an additional act to extend the time to close the concerns of said Bank was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Ruben S. Elms and others against the petition of Eli Ayer and others was referred to the Committee on Divisions.

Remonstrance of Joseph Great against the petition of Thomas McShoddy was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Crocker and William D Crocker of Bath for remuneration of purchase money for lands sold them by Maine and Massachusetts, said State having no title was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval, Bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Trustees of
Litchfield Academy
and

An act to repeal an act dividing
the town of Deer Isle into two districts
for election purposes
and

Resolve in favor of Nicholas Coffin.

The following orders from the House were passed in concurrence.

Directing the Committee on the Judiciary to take into consideration the expediency of passing a permanent law in relation to the apportionment and collection of taxes instead of the annual tax act.

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Directing the Committee on the Library to inquire into the expediency of altering and extending or enlarging the rooms in which the State Library is deposited.

Directing the petition of Benjamin Austin and Others, to be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill entitled an act to repeal in part chapter forty second of the Revised Statutes (proposed to be engrossed in the House) was on motion of Mr Chase indefinitely postponed sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the State Library was read a second time and on motion of Mr Durm laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Walter Darling came up recommended with instructions to report a statement of facts. The Senate agreed and concurred.

Mr Adams from the Committee on Agriculture reported that Bill entitled an act for the promotion of Agriculture, Horticulture and Manufactures ought to be indefinitely postponed. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the Road from Froststock Road to the town of Conyngton reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of

Inhabitants of the town of Smyrna was § 6
read once and tomorrow assigned for
a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dumas the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to establish the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Rail Road Company. Mr. Oke moved to amend by striking out all after the word enjoined in the tenth line in the eighteenth section, and while that motion was pending the Senate

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
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On motion of Mr Otis. Bill entitled an act to establish the Atlantic and St Lawrence Rail Road Company was laid on the table.

Petition of John D Bond and others; of James Fife and others; of Lydia Goddard and others; of H K Baker and others; of Anna Crocker and others; of John L. Trajier and others; of J Woodman and others; of Joseph Woodman and others; of Sewell Russell and others; Clarissa Crocker and others severally for the passage of a law to more effectually suppress the sale of intoxicating Liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of John D Hayes and others for an act of incorporation for an Academy in the town of Oriskany was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of A M Robinson and others for altering the time of holding the District Court in the County of Potsdam was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Jacob Congfellow and others to incorporate the Washington Manufacturing Co.

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pany was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Coffin praying that a lot of land may be set off from New Sharon and annexed to the town of Vienna in the County of Kennebec was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties in concurrence.

Petition of William M. Post of Readfield to have certain lands set off from Mt Vernon to Readfield was referred to the Committee on the Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of A. Jewett and others for a law regulating repairs on the Mattanawbeey Military Road

and

Remonstrance of Leonard Pierce and others against restriction of loads on the Mattanawbeey and Military roads were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Urial Winchester and others of Robert Parker and others against the Petition of Thomas W. Moody in relation to the Bangor Steam Corporation were severally referred to the Committee on Superior Waters in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Eli T. Sprague reported from the Committee on Military pensions on petition of said Sprague,

and

Resolve in favor of Caleb Hodding (reported from the Committee on Military or Pensions on petition of said Hodding and others)

Bills entitled,

An act additional to chapter fourth of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on the State Library) on order relative to limiting the number of books to be taken from the Library by one person at any one time)

An act to incorporate the Kennebec and Boston Steam Navigation Company (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of James St. Cooper and others)

and

An act additional relating to the duties of Register of Deeds (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to the duties of the Office of Register of Deeds in cases of vacancy in said office) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Frye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported Legislation inexpedient on order relative to amending chapter one hundred and thirty seven of the Revised Statutes relating to the recognizances for debt; and order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of Peter Mink and others. Severally accepted and sent down

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for concurrence.

Mr Barrett from the Committee on the Insane Hospital reported leave to withdraw on petitions of George W. Nelson and others; and on petition of Nathaniel Gould. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Chadwick from the Committee on Divisions of towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Flaminio Taggart in behalf of the town of New Vineyard. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act to establish the Atlantic and St Lawrence Rail Road Company.

The question pending being the motion of Mr Otis to strike out from section eight of the bill the words following to wit "but not to impose any other or further duties, liabilities or obligations. And this charter shall not be revoked, annulled, altered, limited or restrained without the consent of the corporation except by due process of law" was taken on motion of Mr Otis by yeas and nays and decided in the negative as follows;

Yeas Mr Otis

1.

Nays Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Berry, Chase, Chadwick, Darling, Dunn, French, Foye,

Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Pillsbury, 191.
Porter, Sargent, Shaw, Sherburne, Stout,
Swan, Tallman, Townsend, Warren. 23.
Mr Rose was excused from voting.

Mr Otis proposed as an amendment, to strike out all of section twelve after the word "tolls" in line seventeen of said section being the words following to wit: And the said corporation fulfilling on its part all and singular the several obligations, and duties by this section imposed and enjoined upon it shall not be held or bound to allow any engine, locomotive, cars, carriages or other vehicle for the transportation of persons or merchandise to pass over said Rail Road other than its own, furnished and provided for that purpose as herein enjoined and required" and to insert in lieu thereof the words following to wit: "Said Corporation is hereby required at reasonable times and for a toll not exceeding the ordinary rates to draw over their road, the passengers, baggage and merchandise cars of any other Rail Road Corporation which may hereafter be connected with the Rail Road of said Corporation as is provided by section seven of this act" and the question of agreeing to the same was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit.

Yeas, Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Berry, Chase, Deering, Hastings, Knowlton, Miller, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Shaw, Sherburne, Warren

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Prs. Messrs Chadwick, Dunn, French,
Frye, Golden, Sargent, Short, Swan, Tall-
shaw, Townsend, Wood. 11.

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr French ordered that
when the Senate adjourn, it adjourn
to meet this afternoon, at three o'clock.

Adjourned

Afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

The Senate resumed the consideration
of bill entitled an act to establish
the Atlantic and St Lawrence Rail
Road Company.

On motion of Mr Chis the Senate re-
considered the vote adopting the amend-
ment last offered by him, withdrew
the same, and offered another on which
marked S and on motion of Mr French
the bill and amendment, was laid on
the table.

Order from the House directing the
Committee on the Judiciary, to inquire
into the expediency of repealing the one
hundred and twenty sixth chapter
of the Revised Statutes, relating to the flow.

Page of Laws, was passed in concurrence. 193.

Petition of Nathaniel Kimball and others to be incorporated into a company to be known as the Eastern Steam Navigation Company, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Woods from the Committee on Interior Waters reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of Thomas Day and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Chis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act regulating the compensation of Sailors for the Support of Prisoners in County Gaols.

Mr Chis offered an amendment on that marked A.

On motion of Mr Fayer the bill and amendment was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Friday February 7th 1845.

Petition of Mary R. Wellingsford and others;
of Mary S. Clark and others; of John D.
Richards and others; of J. C. Lord and oth-
ers; of Sarah E. Hudson and others; of James
M. Dodge and others; of James S. Moore and
others; severally for the passage of a law
for the suppression of the traffic in intox-
icating drinks were referred to the com-
mittee on subject in concurrence.

Petition of Eliza Hale for right to sell certain
lands in the County of Hancock was re-
ferred to the Committee on the Judiciary
in concurrence.

Petition of selectmen and others; of inhabi-
tants of the Town of Frankfort for a grant of
power to contract for the keeping of them
free for any term of time not exceeding
ten years, was referred to the Committee
on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Brune and others for com-
pensation for services rendered the State in
the Acrostock expedition was referred to the
Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of Joseph W. Farmer and oth-
ers; and of Cyrus Cotton and others, against

1855 the petition of inhabitants of New Castle 195
and Hoboken in relation to the fisheries
in said town were severally referred to
the committee on fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Oliver Frost and others for the
repeal of a law regulating the survey of
lumber in Mendocino County was referred
to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent
down for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the com-
mittee on State Prison to inquire into the
expediency of increasing the salary of the
Clerk and commissary of the State Prison
was on motion of Mr. Dunn amended by
striking out the words "State Prison" and
inserting the words "Detachment" and
as amended passed. Sent down for con-
currence.

Order from the House directing the com-
mittee on the Judiciary to inquire and
report what alterations should be made
in the existing Statute to secure unifor-
mity as to terms, duties, and returns of
public officers with the amendment
of the Constitution, respecting a new com-
mencement of the political year was
passed in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the com-
mittee on public buildings to inquire and
report what alterations repairs and new
arrangement are expedient and necessa-
ry to be made in the State House for

the accommodation of the Legislature in summer sessions, passed in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Militia to inquire into the expediency of inserting the following provisions in a new Militia law.

First: That nothing contained in the act entitled an act to organize, govern and discipline the militia passed March 22, 1844 shall be so construed to effect any action, or suit of any clerk or commanding officer of any company, or Division Cavalry and at that time pending in any Court by original writ, or writ of error or otherwise, but all such suits shall be heard or determined in the same manner as if said act had not been passed.

Second: That no action for any Military fine brought by any Captain or commanding officer shall abate in consequence of the expiration of the term of office, but all such actions shall be prosecuted to final judgment and execution in the same manner as if said term of office had not expired. was passed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to repeal in part Chapter forty second of the revised Statutes came up the House insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed. the Senate on motion of Mr. Dunn insisted on its former vote indefinitely postponed.

195 pending the same. Sent down for con-19th
currence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Portland Steam Packet Company (re-
ported in the House from the Com-
mittee on the Judiciary on petition
of William Kimball and others,
and

Bill entitled an act to divide the town
of Prospect and Belfast and to incor-
porate the easterly part of Belfast and
the westerly part of Prospect into a
new town by the name of Searsport
(reported in the House from the Com-
mittee on division of towns, on petition of
Richard Smart and others. Inhabitants of
Prospect; Henry Mathews and others) was
severally read once and tomorrow ap-
pointed for a second reading.

Resolved for the repair of the Road from
the Acworth Road to the town of
Emyona

and

Bill entitled an act additional re-
lating to the duties of Register of Deeds
was severally read a second time and
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Bill
entitled an act to establish the At-
lantic and St Lawrence Rail Road
Company. Mr Chis withdrew the a-

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amendment offered by him.

The bill was further amended on Street Bond and as amended passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Hastings from the Committee on engrossed bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed bills entitled,

An act altering the times of holding the stated sessions of the County Commissions in the County of Hancock.

An act to incorporate the town of Whitmyville

and

An act to set off Great Island from Rome to Belgrade in the County of Benning and the same were severally passed to be enacted.

Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported a Resolve in favor of Samuel Smith (on petition of said Smith) accompanied by a statement of facts.

On motion of Mr Miller the Resolve was laid on the table, and three hundred copies of the statement of facts ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate pro-

545 ended to the consideration of bill entitled 199,
an act regulating the compensation
to jailors for the support of prisoners in
County Jails; Mr Ohio withdrew the amend-
ment he offered yesterday.

Mr Swan offered another on sheet mark-
ed A and while that was pending
the bill and amendment on motion of
Mr French were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Dunn, ordered that the
Committee on the Judiciary be directed
to inquire into the expediency of providing
by law that all criminal costs be paid
by the several Counties when such costs
accrue. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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The Secretary presented to the governor for his approval Bills entitled

An act to incorporate the town of Whitnegville.

An act altering the time of holding the stated sessions of the County Commissioners in the County of Hancock
and

An act to set off Great Island from Combs to Belgrade in the County of Kennebec.

Petition of Ademas Emery and others; of Anne Brown and others; of William Dexter and others; of Margaret Fiske and others; of Martha Gray and others; severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Kenaker for a release from the obligation to perform settling duties on certain lots of land in township No 11. Range 6 was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac S. Smith for change of name of plantation Nos. 2 and 3. first

115 Range and Nos 2 and 3 second Range, was 201
referred to the Committee on Incorporation
of Towns. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr During the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Resolves pro-
viding for an amendment of the consti-
tution in relation to the election of Repre-
sentatives to the Legislature and the same
were read once and Monday next as-
signed for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Wash-
ington Manufacturing Company (reported
from the Committee on Manufactures on
petition of Jacob Longfellow and others)
and

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Bern-
icke Iron Works Company (reported from
the same Committee on petition of Isaac
Gray and others) were serially read the first
time and Monday next assigned for a
second reading.

Mr Whittum from the Committee on claims
reported leave to withdraw on petition of
town of Mansfield, on motion of Mr Durr
the report and accompanying documents were
referred to the Committee on State Lands
and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Pitt-
sland Steam Packet Company was read
a second time and on motion of Mr Rowe
laid on the table.

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Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Kinnelon and Boston Steam Navigation Company was read a second time and on motion of Mr Hartman laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to divide the towns of Prospect and Belfast and to incorporate the easterly part of Belfast and the westerly part of Prospect into a new town by the name of Seabrook was read a second time. Mr Knickerbocker moved an amendment on sheet A and while that motion was pending the bill on motion of Mr Rose was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Hastings the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act regulating the compensation to Sailors for the support of prisoners in County Jail. The amendment pending being that offered yesterday by Mr Swan, was rejected. The Senate amended the bill on sheet marked A and passed the same to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter fourth of the Revised Statutes was read a second time amended on sheet marked A and passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of Caleb Hodding,
and

Resolves in favor of the Suffrage were severally read a second time and passed to

to engrossed. Sent down for concurrence. 263

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Port-
land low boat company, was read a second
time and passed to be engrossed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Mr Foye from the Committee on the Judiciary
reported order of notice returnable to the Pre-
sent Legislature on petition of Eben Hale,
and Legislation inexpedient on the subject
of an order relative to amending the 84th,
85th, 86th and 87th sections of the 114th Chap-
ter of the Revised Statutes.

Bill entitled an act to alter the time of hold-
ing the meetings of the County Commission-
ers in the County of Somerset (reported from
the Committee on the Judiciary on an or-
der relative to that subject) was read once
and Monday next assigned for a second
reading.

Mr Wood from the Committee on interior
waters, reported order of notice returnable
to the present Legislature on petition of
S. Dinsmore and others. Accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

Mr Sherburne from the Committee on claims
reported leave to withdraw on petition of
Town of Centerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holmes from the Committee on engrossed
bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

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An act to set off certain lands from the
Town of Readfield to the Town of Mt Vernon
in the County of Kennebec,

and

An act to set off certain lands from
Mt Vernon to the Town of Readfield in the
County of Kennebec, and the same were
finally passed.

Adjourned

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of James Donnell and others; of Margaret Springer and others; of Eliza Black and others; of Daruport Tucker and others; of Adeline Bachelder and others; of Isaac Litner and others; Severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Eliphalet Greely and others for incorporation of a manufacturing company in Westbrook was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Proceedings of a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Strong against the petition of certain persons praying to be set off from New Vineyard to the said town of Strong was referred to the Committee on division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Frederick Scotts and others for the extension of the law term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Benbow was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

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Petition of Ebenezer Lawrence and others of Fairfield asking a repeal of the law authorizing toll at the Kennebec Dam was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel Milliken and others for opening a fishway in Ducktrap Stream

and

Remonstrance of Samuel Gladden and others of Pottersboro and Newcastle in relation to fisheries were severally referred to the Committee on fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Elisha Hilton and others for an appropriation for the repair of the Canada Road in Township No. 14 Range 3 North of Bingham Kennebec purchase

and

Petition of John H. Rice and others for a law prohibiting the transportation of more than four tons weight on any one load over the road from Moulton Village to Moose Head Lake in Greenville were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Charles F. Barbour and others for an act of incorporation to run a steam boat from Cape Elizabeth to Portland was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr French from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as correctly and truly engrossed,

Bill entitled an act to establish the Atlantic and St Lawrence Rail Road company and the same was passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Petition of James O. Foster for a remuneration for completing Journal of the Senate and making an index thereof for the year 1844, was referred to the committee on claims, sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Deering the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act to divide the Towns of Prospect and Belfast and to incorporate the Easterly part of Belfast and the Westerly part of Prospect into a new town by the name of Seasideport.

The amendment, offered on the 8th instant, by Mr Knoulton was rejected.

Mr Deering moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the same and that question on motion of Mr Dunn was taken by yeas and nays, and decided in the negative, as follows, to wit;

Yeas. Messrs. Chadwick, Deering, Frye, Knoulton, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin, Marvin.

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Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Bennett, Chase,

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Dunn, Hastings, Holden, McCrewe,
Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Skelburne, Smi-
ley, Stout, Swan, Tallman, Town-
send, Woods 17.

The question returned upon passing
the bill to be engrossed and was decid-
ed in the affirmative by yeas and nays
as follows:

Yeas. Messrs Barwood, Barnett, Chase, Has-
tings, Holden, McCrewe, Pillsbury, Porter,
Skelburne, Smiley, Stout, Swan, Tallman,
Townsend, Woods, 15.

Nays. Messrs. Chadwick, Dering, Dunn, Frye,
Knowlton, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Skelburne
Wanew, 10.

Mr Skelburne from the Committee on peti-
tions reported order of notice returnable
to the present Legislature on petition
of Joseph Miller and others. Accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of William H. Pope and
Samuel Pope proprietors of Township N 18
east division in the County of Washington
(reported from the Committee on State
Lands and State Roads on petition of Wil-
liam H. Pope and another.)

Bills entitled,

An act granting proprietors and owners
of unincorporated lands forfeited to the
State for the nonpayment of taxes the
right to redeem the same and further
time to pay said taxes (reported from

(1815) the Committee on State Lands and 209.
State Roads on petition of Henry God-
dard and others)

An act to incorporate the Brunswick
Seminary (reported from the commit-
tee on Education on petition of J. N.
Cunphy and others)

An act to incorporate the proprietors of
Monroe Academy (reported from the
committee on Education on petition
of E. Allen Jr and others)

and

An act to incorporate the proprietors of
Dennysville Academy (reported from
the committee on Education on petition
of Theodore Lincoln Jr and others) now
severally read once and tomorrow as-
signed for a second reading.

Bills entitled,

An Act to incorporate the Washington
Manufacturing Company,

An Act to incorporate the Pembroke Iron
Works Company

and

An Act to alter the time of holding meet-
ings of the County Commissioners in the
County of Somerset were severally read
a second time and passed to be en-
gaged. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves providing for an amendment
of the constitution in relation to the election

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of Representatives to the Legislature now
read a second time and laid on the
table.

On motion of Mr Dunn ordered that
the Committee on the Judiciary be di-
rected to inquire into the expediency of
altering the law regulating the fees or
salary of the Recorder of the Municipal
Court in the City of Portland. Sent
down for concurrence.

A message was received from the
House informing the Senate that on
the disagreeing vote on the bill inti-
tled an act to repeal in part chap-
ter forty second of the Revised Statute,
the House proposed a conference and
appointed Messrs Mildram, Chodwick
and Blaney as conferees. The Senate con-
curred, and appointed Messrs Dunn,
Hastings and Chase as conferees on its
part.

Adjourned

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Tuesday February 11. 1845.

The Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval Bills entitled,

An act to set off certain lands from the town of Readfield to the town of Mount Vernon in the County of Kennebec

and

An act to set off certain lands from Mount Vernon to the town of Readfield in the County of Kennebec.

Petition of Nicholas T. Knight and others of the first Parish in Boothbay for leave to sell their meeting House was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Darius Roberts for the legislature to give him a title to 200 acres of land in the town of Fairfield,

and

Petition of Joseph S. Kelsey to be released from performing settling duties in Lot No. 148. on township No. 1. Indian purchase were severally referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

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Petition of William Swan and another trustees of the Bank of Portland praying for an extension of time to close the accounts of said Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of John Peabody and others for a law authorizing the County Commissioners to lay out a road over Duck Trap toll bridge was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of the selectmen of Baldwin for the relief of Rufus A. Barborn in consequence of a wound received while performing Military duty was referred to the Committee on Military Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of John L. Young for a divorce,
and

Petition of George Satis and others in aid of the same were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Moody and others, to be incorporated in to an Agricultural Society was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Braintree that State may pay expenses of Clarinda Chase at Insane Hospital was referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital in concurrence.

1865 Petition of Achua Weston and others for 213
a law to protect the fishery in the coun-
ty of Washington,

Petition of Chas Bailey and others for further
law to protect the fisheries on Duwamish
to River

and
Remonstrance of Abel Wray and others
against the repeal of the law prohibiting
the setting of nets in Washington County
were severally referred to the Committee
on fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of William Woodman and others;
of Rashall & Brown and others; of Olive
Robinson and others; of Mercy Waskie and
others; of A. R. P. Higgins and others; of
Nathan Elden and others; of Nancy Irish
and others; of Edmund Irish and others;
of O. H. Hayford and others; Severally for
the passage of a law to suppress the sale
of Intoxicating drinks were referred to the
Committee on that subject in concu-
rence.

The following orders from the House
were passed in concurrence.

Resolving, the Committee on the Ju-
diciary, to inquire into the expediency
of so altering and amending the law
relating to trespass upon lands as to
except from its penalties, Surveyors and
their assistants, going over lands for the
purpose of running boundary lines.

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Directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that the assignee of any contract not negotiable may maintain a suit thereon in his own name, and that in such case the defendant shall have the same right of offset that he now has in suits upon assigned contracts and to enquire into the expediency of providing other security for defendants costs in such suits.

Directing the Committee on Interior Matters to inquire into the expediency of amending the eighth Section of an act to incorporate the Klumme Logging company.

Directing the Committee on agriculture to inquire into the expediency of restricting the time of setting fires for the purpose of clearing lands in Washington County.

Directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether any alteration of Section twenty nine of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is expedient.

The order directing the Committee on the State Prison to inquire into the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk and commissary of the State Prison came up, the House having previously concurred the Senate in agreeing to the amendment adopted by the Senate, and insisted on its former vote giving the order a passage.

Order from the House directing the committee on rehousement to inquire into the expediency of passing a law for the appointment of an additional number of Sheriffs in the several Counties in this State and for the reduction of their fees was refused a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the improvement of the road from the Military road to the Mouth of Fish River came from the House recommended with instructions to report a written statement of facts. The Senate needed and concurred.

Resolve for the repair of the road from Woodstock Road to the town of Smyrna came from the House recommended with instructions to report a written statement of facts. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to Chapter fourth of the Revised Statutes came from the House recommended. The Senate needed from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, nonconcurred the House on its vote of recommitment and further amended the bill on sheet marked B. Mr. Rose offered an amendment, on sheet marked C and while that motion was pending the bill on motion of Mr. Tallman was laid on the table.

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Bill entitled an act granting to proprietors and owners of unincorporated lands forfeited to the State for the nonpayment of taxes the right to redeem the same, and further time to pay certain taxes was read a second time, amended on sheets A and B and passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the proprietors of Dennyville Academy,

An act to incorporate the Brunswick Seminary,

An act to incorporate the proprietors of Monroe Academy,
and

Resolved in favor William & Pope and Samuel Pope proprietors of Township No. 18, East division of the County of Washington now severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Halliwell Cotton Manufacturing Company (reported in the House from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Andrew Masters and others)

An act additional to an act to incorporate the salt water falls Company (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of Wm. Du-

man and others) were serially read 217
once and tomorrow assigned for a
second reading.

Mr French from the Committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges reported leave
to withdraw on petition of Thomas
Day and others. Accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

Mr French from the Committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges made a re-
port asking to be discharged from the
further consideration of Petition of the
Selectmen of Westbrook, and recom-
mending the reference of the same to the com-
mittee on division of towns. Accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Chase the Senate proceed-
ed to the consideration of Bill entitled an
act to incorporate the Hunker and Bos-
ton Steam Navigation Company and on
motion of Mr Enys Thursday next was
assigned for the further consideration of
the same.

On motion of Mr Dumas the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of the com-
munication from the Governor under
date of the first instant, and on his mo-
tion the same was referred with its ac-
companying papers to the Committee on
the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr French ordered that the

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Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges
be instructed to inquire into the expediency
of repealing the act providing for the
laying of Rail Roads and Rail Road property
by the this State

On motion of Mr. Duran ordered that the
Committee on Education be directed to in-
quire into the expediency of amending the
law relative to the location of School Houses.

Adjourned

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of Waterville in relation to a toll on Augusta Dam, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Tallman the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Iron Manufacturing Company, and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Sally Smith and others; of Henry Gunn and others; of Caroline Pemberton and others; of J A Bartlett and others, severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating drinks was referred to the Committee on that subject in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen and others of Friendship for the preservation of shad in Friendship river was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Pierston of Biddeford, and others for a repeal of the act requiring tolls on boats passing the Kennebec Locks was referred to the Committee on Interior

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Matters in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Town of Bowdoin against the petition of Harmon Jagues and others was referred to the Committee on Division of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Robert L. Gardner and others on the subject of school books was referred to the committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Brummett praying that guardians of minor children may be authorized to give deeds of real estate in certain cases.

Petition of James Sherburne and others for an act to incorporate a company to purchase and run a steam freight boat,
and

John Grahame and others for an act to abolish capital punishment were severally referred to the committee on the judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Elizabeth McArthur and others; of Ruth Woods and others; of James Cochran and others; of Leonard H. Searnseller and others severally for the passage of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors were referred to the Committee on that subject. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of H. S. C. Barrows and others for

an appropriation upon State Road from 221
Blanchard to Moose Head Lake was re-
ferred to the committee on State Lands and
State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Chase the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Petition of
Smith Freeman and others, and on his
motion the same was referred to the com-
mittee on Education in concurrence.

Mr Holden from the committee on en-
gaged bills reported as truly engrossed,
bills entitled;

An act authorizing the city Council of
the City of Portland to raise and assess
a tax on the inhabitants of said city,

An act to divide the towns of Prospect
and Belfast and to incorporate the east-
ern part of Belfast and the westerly part
of Prospect into a new town by the name
of Seasideport.

An act to continue in force an act en-
titled "an act accepting the surrender of
the charter of the Maine Bank" and the
same were passed to be enacted, and
presented by the Secretary to the Governor
for his approval.

Petition of Parker M Reed and others
praying that the Legislature will com-
pel the Augusta Dam Company to com-
ply with the provisions of their Charter in
relation to the passage of fish through

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said Dam was referred to the committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Miller the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve for the repair of the Mashias Hoosuck Road.

The question pending was on agreeing to the amendment offered by Mr Duran on the 20th ultimo which was decided in the negative. The question returned on passing the Resolve to be engrossed, and the same was decided in the affirmative. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Duran the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act entitled an act additional to chapter fourth of the Revised Statute. The question pending was on the adoption of the amendment offered yesterday by Mr Rice, and the same was decided in the affirmative. The Senate further amended the bill on sheet D, and passed the same to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Kalamazoo Cotton manufacturing Company was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Salt Water Falls Company (reported from the Committee on Bills in the second reading with an amendment on sheet annexed marked A) was

Read a second time, the amendment agreed to, and passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Resolve in favor of Samuel Smith which was read a second time and Tuesday next assigned for a further consideration of the same.

Resolves for the purchase of Shunk's maps (reported in the House from the Committee on Education) was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Chadwick from the Committee on Division of Towns reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of William W. Scott, of Nathaniel R. Frost and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the fifty fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on Fisheries on order relative to amending the 54th chapter of the Revised Statutes) was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Durand from the Committee on Division of Counties, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Jeremiah Coffin. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

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Resoln in favor of the town of Essex (laid on the table by Mr Holden on leave) was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the annual returns from the Washington, Oxford and Franklin County Agricultural Societies, which were on motion of Mr Dunn referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of Isaac Daggett and others of S. C. Thomas and others; of Penathea Luce and others; of J. A. Stewart and others; of Levi Perkins and others, severally against the petition of J. L. Hackett were referred to the committee on division of towns in concurrence.

Petition of William Metcalf and others; of Beyer Bryant and others; of James Albee and others severally against a division of the town of Anson were referred to the committee on Division of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Levi Willard and others against the impositions and extortions of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Rail Road Company was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Nicholas Puise of Simsbury for a continuation of his pension was referred to the committee on Military Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of H. G. O'Garra and others for a law prohibiting the transportation of loads of more than two tons weight over the road from Mondou to Moose Head Lake, was

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referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of John Peerman and others in favor of Retrenchment, came from the house referred to the committee on retrenchment. On motion of Mr Hastings the Senate non-concurred the House on its reference, and referred the petition to the committee on the Militia. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Henry Kennedy and others of Waldoboro for a law to regulate the cutting of Woods and bark to be shipped out of the State came up referred to a joint select committee, consisting on the part of the house of Messrs Denny of Waldoboro, Blaney of Bristol, Doer of Waterville, Littlefield of Auburn, Haley of Frankfort, Burnham of Brunswick, Banks of Buckport. The Senate joined Messrs Moore and Shaw in concurrence.

Petition of Franklin Adams and others for the repeal of the additional act regulating the survey of Lumber in Penobscot County was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the committee on engrossed bills reported as duly and strictly engrossed.

Resolves respecting the French Spoliations upon American Commerce, and the same

were finally passed, and presented to the 227
governor for his approval.

Order from the House directing the committee on education to inquire into the expediency of altering the law authorizing school districts in this state to purchase school libraries passed March 19th 1844. was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the committee on Agriculture to inquire into the expediency of prohibiting the selling of furs in the County of Lincoln during a part of the year, was on motion of Mr Dunn amended by striking out the words "County of Lincoln" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "State" and passed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act concerning sluiceways and drains from Mills and other tenements (laid on the table in the House) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Resolue in favor of Charles T Spear came up recommended with instructions to report a written statement of facts. The Senate recessed and concurred.

Bills entitled;

An act in addition to an act to extend the time allowed the City Bank to close its concerns, (reported from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of the Stock-

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holders of the City Bank)

An act to authorize the construction of a passage way from Richmonds Island to the Water Sand (reported in the House from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of John W. Cummings) were serially read over and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, granting leave to withdraw on petition of John C. Young was accepted in concurrence.

The House informed the Senate, that that body had ordered one thousand copies of a bill entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and Tippling Shops to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Boston Steam Navigation Company. Mr. C. moved to amend the bill by adding to the first section the words following to wit "provided the coporators shall be liable in their individual property and estate for all liabilities of said corporation to the same extent that private ship owners may be liable" and the question of agreeing to the proposed amendment was decided in the negative by yeas and nays as follows:-

Yeas. Messrs. Dearing, Dunn, Knoulton, Ohio, 229
Shaw, Skillin 6.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Berry, Chase,
Chadwick, French, Hastings, Holmes, Hol-
den, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose,
Smiley, Stout, Swan, Tallman, Townsend,
Woods, 20.

The question returned upon passing the bill
to be engrossed and was decided in the
affirmative as follows.

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Berry,
Chase, Chadwick, Dennis French, Has-
tings, Holmes, Holden, Miller, Monroe,
Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Skillin, Smiley, Stout,
Swan, Tallman, Townsend, Wain, Wood, 23,
Nays. Messrs. Dearing, Knoulton, Ohio, Shaw, 4.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proce-
ded to the consideration of Bill entitled an
act to incorporate the Portland Steam
Packet Company, the question being on
passing the same to be engrossed, but
before that question was taken the Sen-
ate,

Adjourned

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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On Motion of Mr Holmes, ordered that seven hundred additional copies of an act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling shops be printed for the use of the Senate.

Petition of James Heald and another, that they may be set off from the town of Singham and annexed to the town of Moscow.

Petition of Richard Moore and others to be set off from the town of Phippsburg and annexed to the town of West Bath.

Petition of Nathaniel Reed and others of Phippsburg praying that certain territory may be set off from West Bath to Phippsburg.

Remonstrance of Selectmen of Athens and others against the petition of Caleb Jones.

Remonstrance of David Pratt Jr and others and of Leander Daggett and others against the petition of Joseph L. Haskell were severally referred to the committee on Division of Towns in accordance.

Petition of Joseph Williamson for pay, 231.
for performing duties of Attorney General
was referred to the Committee on Claims
in concurrence.

Petition of John Terman and others for repeal
of toll on the Kounicee Dam was referred
to the Committee on Interior Waters in
concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Swan Island for
the repeal of an act regulating the Herring
fishery in the County of Washington
approved February 12, 1824, was referred
to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of H. H. Sweeney and others and of
Ephraim Rand and others, severally that
the County Commissioners of Waldo County
be authorized to lay out a road over
Ducktrap Bridge was referred to the Com-
mittee on Rail Roads and Bridges in con-
currence.

Proceedings of a public meeting of the
citizens of the town of Waterville on the sub-
ject of a toll on the Kounicee Dam was
referred to the Committee on Interior Waters
in concurrence.

Petition of Susan Rich and others; of Edmund
Phinney and others; severally for the passage
of a law to suppress the sale of intoxicating
liquors were referred to the Committee on
Liquor laws. Sent down for concurrence.

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Petition of Charles H. Beck and others praying to be incorporated under the name of the Augusta and Boston Steam Navigation, Transportation Company, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Hastings from the Committee of conference on the disagreeing vote of the two houses on bill entitled an act to repeal in part the forty second chapter of the Revised Statutes reported that conference of the Senate had met the conferees of the House and that they were unable to agree, and recommended that the Senate adhere to its former vote, on motion of Mr Otis the report was laid on the table.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting "all the country estimates and accompanying schedules that have been received at his office prior to this day. Read and sent down.

Mr Holden from the Committee on engrossed Bills reported as strictly and truly engrossed, bills entitled.

An act to incorporate the Pendseet Steam Tow Boat Company; on motion of Mr Dunw the bill was laid on the table.

Mr Holden from the same committee also reported as correctly and truly engrossed Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Hallowell Cotton

manufacturing company.

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An act regulating the compensation of Jailors for the support of prisoners in County Jails,

An act additional relating to the duties of Registers of deeds

and

An act to incorporate the Pembroke Iron Works Company and the same were successively passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr Holden from the same committee also reported as correctly and truly engrossed Resolves in favor of Caleb Hodding

and

Resolves in favor of Eli D. Sprague and they were finally passed and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Order directing the Committee on retrenchment to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of an additional number of Sheriffs came up, the House insisting on its former vote. The Senate receded and concurred.

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter fourth of the Revised Statute came up, the House insisting on its former vote, recommending the Bill. The Senate receded and concurred.

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Resolves for the purchase of Greenleafs map was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act additional to the fifty fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act granting proprietors and owners of unincorporated lands forfeited to the State for the nonpayment of taxes, the right to redeem the same and further time to pay certain taxes, came up, the House having amended the same on sheet C, on motion of Mr Otis the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Steam Packet Company; Mr Otis offered an amendment on sheet marked A, and before the question was taken thereon the bill on motion of Mr Otis was laid on the table.

Mr Otis on leave laid on the table a bill entitled an act to abolish the District Court and additional to the ninety sixth chapter of the Revised Statutes, which was read once, and Tuesday next assigned for a second reading, On motion of Mr Dunn three hundred and fifty copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legisla-

Resolved in favor of the town of Basee was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Skillin from the Committee on Fisheries reported leave to withdraw on petition of Committee of the town of Helleboro and Newcastle. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Sheburne from the Committee on Claims reported leave to withdraw on the petition of Joseph Pollard. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Chadwick from the Committee on Divisions of towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Eli Ayer and others; and reference to the next Legislature on the petition of Benjamin Loring and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw on petitions of Putnam Kelf and George McDermott, and Samuel Wilkins and others.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary giving leave to withdraw on petition of Benjamin Austin and others, was accepted in concurrence.

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Resolved in favor of Isaac Heacock (reported from the committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of said Heacock)

Resolved in favor of Elliot S. Vaughan (reported from the same committee on petition of said Vaughan)

Resolved in favor of Asaiah Martin and others (reported from the same committee on petition of said Martin and others)

and

Bills entitled;

An act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Albans Woollen Manufacturing company (reported from the committee on manufactures on petition of said company)

An act additional to chapter one hundred and fifty six of the Revised Statutes reported from the committee on claims on petition of Joshua Wakefield, Amos Sinscy, and Enoch Hardy)

An act to set off certain lots from the town of Belago and annex the same to the town of Chaplin (reported in the House from the committee on division of towns, on petition of Albert Gray and others)

An act to incorporate the Keazer Falls Manufacturing Company (reported in the House from the committee on manufactures, on petition of Gideon Standall)

An act to incorporate the Maine 257.
Manufacturing Company (reported in the
house from the same Committee on peti-
tion of Benjamin Buffum and others) were usu-
ally read once and tomorrow assigned
for a second reading.

An act in addition to the sixteenth Chap-
ter of the Revised Statute (reported from the
Committee on the Militia on order referring
so much of the Governor's Message as relates to
the Militia to that committee) was read
once and Tuesday next assigned for a se-
cond reading. On motion of Mr. Rose five
hundred copies of the bill were ordered to be
printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of William H. Frye and others to be
incorporated into a literary society was re-
ferred to the Committee on Education.
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the Committee on engrop-
ed bills reported as truly and correctly
engrafted.
Bill entitled,

An Act to incorporate the Washington Man-
ufacturing Company and the same was
passed to be enacted, and presented by
the secretary to the governor for his appro-
val.

Adjourned
James A. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of Lorenzo Sabine and Samuel Stevens for leave to build a wharf in tide waters in Eastport

and

Petition of George Williams and others, that the town of Augusta may be authorized to lay out a road over tide waters in said town were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of David C. Gove and others for the passage of an act prohibiting the transportation of loads weighing over two tons on the Moosehead Lake Road.

Petition of inhabitants of No. 11. 5th Range for aid of the State to repair the road from said No. 11. to Fairbanks Mills,

Petition of Inhabitants of Lettie Down East Fairfield Township, praying for assistance on their roads,

and

Petition of Inhabitants of St John and Hootstock Rivers praying for aid of the State in the improvement of the Fish River and Hootstock Road were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Orrin Low and others for repeal ²³⁹
of the law requiring a fishway in the Ken-
nebec Dam

(and)

Petition of C. C. Cornish and others praying
for the repeal of act granting a toll on
the Kennebec Dam were severally referred to
the committee on Interior Waters in con-
currence.

Order from the House directing the committee
on the Judiciary to inquire into the ex-
pediency of extending by law the remedy
on executions against corporations, was passed
in concurrence.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary giv-
ing leave to withdraw our petitions of James
McNeill, and of John S. Rogers, were accep-
ted in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act
to incorporate the Salt Water falls Company,
came from the House amended on sheet
B and passed to be engrossed as amended.
The Senate receded from its vote passing the
bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amend-
ment of the House, and passed the bill to
be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act to make valid the doings of
the town of Old town (reported from the
committee on the Judiciary on petition
of Henry Richardson)

Saturday February 15.

An act authorizing the sale of the Congregational Meeting House in the first parish in Boothbay (reported from the same Committee on petition of Nicholas F. Knight and others) were severally read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

Order from the House directing the Committee on the Judiciary to report an act to abolish the office of Attorney General was amended on sheet annexed marked A and as amended passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed.

Bill entitled an act to alter the time of holding the meetings of the County Commissioners in the County of Somerset and the same was finally passed and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Bill entitled an act to change the name of Plantation Number two and three in the first range, and number two and three in the second range of townships in the County of Franklin (reported from the Committee on incorporation of towns on petition of Isaac S. Smith)

An act extending the time allowed the Bank of Portland to close its con-

was reported from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of William Swan and another)

An act to incorporate the Supton Woolen Manufacturing Company (reported from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Jeremiah Hobson and others)

and

Resolue in favor of Jedediah Fairfield (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Jedediah Fairfield) were severally read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading

Resolue in favor of Isaac Hooker was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table,

Resolue in favor of Ashur Martin was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter one hundred and fifty six of the Revised Statute was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Resolue in favor of Elliot S Vaughan was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bills entitled;

An act to set off certain lots from the town of Sebago and to annex the same

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to the town of Naples.

An act to incorporate the Hagen Falls
Manufacturing Company.

(and

An act to incorporate the Maine Man-
ufacturing Company were severally read
a second time and passed to be en-
acted in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an
act to incorporate the St Albans Woollen
Manufacturing Company was read a
second time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of Sylvester Oaks and others for a law to regulate the sale of medicine was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Charles F Gilman and others for the charter of a town above the Chumbe Dam,

and

Remonstrance of F. Clay and others against booming logs above the Chumbe Dam were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of C. Butler Jr and others for an appropriation for a road was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Harvey S. Smith and others for an alteration of the law relative to the rights of free owners was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Charles W. Gate and others in aid of the petition of Samuel Bonall and others was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

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Order from the House directing the committee on retrenchment to inquire into the expediency of reducing the salary of the register of Probate for the county of Somerset to one hundred and fifty dollars per annum was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of passing a law regulating and defining the duties and liabilities of Steam Boat corporations and of the stockholders thereof was on motion of Mr. Ellis laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Division of towns on petition of Benjamin Lorjoy came up recommended with instructions to report leave to withdraw on said petition. The Senate nonconcurred the House and insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Westbrook Manufacturing Company (reported in the House from the committee on Manufactures on petition of Eliphalet Greely and others, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary giving leave to withdraw on petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Frankfort was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Darling ordered that so 245
much of the Governor's message as re-
lates to the establishment of Schools among
the French settlers upon the St John River
be referred to the Committee on educa-
tion. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Swan ordered that the com-
mittee on Rail Roads and Bridges be directed
to inquire into the expediency of giving to
the Kennebec and Portland Rail Road com-
pany, further time to carry into effect the
object of that incorporation. Sent down for
concurrence.

On motion of Mr French, ordered that
the committee on the Judiciary be di-
rected to inquire into the expediency of
so altering the provisions of the thirtieth sec-
tion of the one hundred and thirty eight
chapter of the Revised Statutes, that the same
shall apply to all reports of referees whether
said referees shall be appointed by the
Court or, under a submission before a
Justice, and that in either case when any
report is before the Supreme Judicial Court
upon exceptions, said Court shall have
all the powers to accept, reject, or commit
the same according to the equity of the
case, that is now possessed by the Dis-
trict Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Porter ordered that the
committee on accounts be directed not to
allow the accounts of Adjutants of Regiments

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for the year 1844, the compensation provided by law having been intended for services which have not been required or performed under the law of 1844 upon the subject of the Militia, on motion of Mr Dunn the order was laid on the table.

Mr Sherburne laid on the table the following order.

Ordered that Joseph Pollard be allowed to take from the files of the Senate his petition for remuneration for loss sustained from the States seizing his timber, together with the accompanying papers.

On motion of Mr Dunn the further consideration of the order was indefinitely postponed.

Bills entitled;

An act to authorize the construction of a passage-way from Richards Island to the main land,

An act to make valid the doings of the town of Oldtown,

An act authorizing a sale of the congregational meeting house in the first parish in Boothbay was severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act in addition to "an act to extend the time allowed the city Bank to close

An act to incorporate the Ouxton Wool-
len Manufacturing Company,

An act extending the time allowed the
Bank of Portland to close its concerns,

An act additional to the fifty fourth
chapter of the revised Statutes,

An act to change the name of Plantation
number two and three in the first range
and number two and three in the sec-
ond range of townships in the County of
Franklin

(and)

Resolves in favor of Sedediah Fairfield
were severally read a second time and
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Trustees of
the school funds in East Siermon (reported
from the committee on education on pe-
tition of Inhabitants of East Siermon)

(and)

An act to incorporate the trustees of the
ministerial funds in East Siermon (report-
ed from the committee on education on
petition of the Inhabitants of East Siermon)
were severally read once and tomorrow
assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Quinn,

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of

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An act to incorporate the Brunswick Steam Row-boat company, the question being on passing the same to be enacted, but before that question was taken the bill on motion of Mrs Otis was laid on the table.

Mr Holden from the committee on engrossed bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,
Bills exhibited;

An act to incorporate the Portland Iron Manufacturing company,

An act to incorporate the Proprietors of Derryville Academy,

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Monroe academy,

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Brunswick Seminary and the same were passed to be enacted.

Mr Holden from the same committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed Resolves for the repair of the road from Westbrook road to the town of Smyrna and the same was finally passed.

Adjourned,

James O. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Petition of William D. Sewell and others a committee of the incorporators of the Bath and Portland Rail Road Company for an alteration of the charter of said Company was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of John F. Nutt to build a bridge across Little river in the town of Perry was referred to the committee on Interior Waters. Sent down for concurrence.

Remonstrance of James T. Clearland and others, against the petition of Isaac Burns and others, to be set off from Embury and annexed to New Portland was referred to the committee on Division of towns in concurrence.

Remonstrance of H. A. Balch and others against the repeal of the law passed in 1824, regulating the Herring Fishery in the County of Washington was referred to the committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Aaron Pickett and others inhabitants of Wetmore Isle for authority to prosecute town and other plantations

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for support of Paupers was referred to
the committee on the Judiciary in con-
sensus.

Bill entitled an act relating to trusts
process or foreign attachments, was re-
ferred to the committee on the Judiciary
in consensus.

Mr Chadwick from the committee on
Division of towns reported reference to the
next Legislature on petition of James M.
Kilton and others on motion of Mr Otis the
report was recommitted with instructions to
report a written statement of facts. Sent down
for consensus.

Bill entitled an act to set off certain lands
from Watutorough and annex the same
to Alfred (reported from the committee on
Division of towns on petition of Joshua A. Rus-
sell and others).

Bill entitled an act authorizing the town
of Machias to assess a tax on dogs (reported
in the house from the committee on
finance on petition of Daniel Longfellow
and others)

and

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Maine
Mammoth mutual fire insurance company (reported
in the house from the committee on the
Judiciary on petition of James Diwmore
and others) were severally read once and
tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the joint select committee on 251
the petition for the passage of a law to
suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors
(License law) asking leave to be discharged
from the further consideration of Petitions of
William Badger and others; and of Wil-
liam Kilbourn and others, and recommend-
ing reference of the same to the com-
mittee on the Judiciary, was accepted in
concurrence.

On motion of Mr Otis the Senate proceed-
ed to the consideration of Resolve in favor
of Isaac Hacker. Mr Otis moved that
the further consideration of the Resolve be
indefinitely postponed, and before that
question was taken it was on his motion
laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Fallman, the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of bill entitled
an act to incorporate the Portland Steam
Tow Boat Company.

Mr Otis moved to reconsider the vote
passing the bill to be engrossed, and
the motion being sustained by the u-
nanimous consent of the Senate was
decided in the affirmative.

Mr Otis moved to amend the bill by adding
to the first section the words following to-
wit "provided that said corporation shall
at all times be subject to the provisions
of any general law which may hereaf-
ter be passed regulating steam boat
corporations", and the question of adopting
the amendment was decided in the neg-

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ative as follows, to wit:

Yeas. Messrs Perry, Daring, French, Frye,
Hastings, Holden, Otis, Shaw, Shurtown,
Skillin, Warren. 11.

Nays. Barnard, Chase, Chadwick, Dunn,
Holmes, Miller, Pillsbury, Patee, Rose, Smiley,
Swan, Tallman, Woods. 13.

Mr Otis moved to indefinitely postpone
the further consideration of the bill, and
that question was decided in the negative
by yeas and nays, as follows.

Yeas. Messrs Perry, Daring, French, Otis,
Shaw, Shurtown, Skillin, Warren. 8.

Nays. Messrs Barnard, Chase, Chadwick,
Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Holden, Miller,
Pillsbury, Patee, Rose, Smiley, Swan,
Tallman, Woods. 15.

Mr Otis moved further to amend the bill
by adding to the first section the words
following to wit in case of any loss or damage
in consequence of the loss of the boat or
boats of said corporation the individual
liability of said corporation shall extend
to the value of the boat or boats so lost
in addition to any individual liability
they may be under at the time of such
loss and the question of agreeing to the
same was decided in the negative as follows,
to wit:

Yeas. Messrs Perry, Daring, Frye, Otis, Shaw,
Skillin. 6.

Nays. Messrs Barnard, Chase, Chadwick,
Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Miller, Pillsbury,
Patee, Rose, Smiley, Swan, Tallman, Woods. 14.

The question returned upon passing, 253
the bill to be engrossed and was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit:

Yeas, Messrs Barnard, Chase, Chadwick, Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Miller, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Smiley, Swan, Tallman and Woods, 14.

Nays, Messrs Bay, Darling, Frye, Otis, Shaw, Skillin, 6.

The bill was then passed to be enacted.

A message was received from the governor in the words following to wit,

To the Members of Senate
and House of Representatives

I have received a memorial signed by Mr Oliver Frost, of the City of Bangor, representing that since the ratification of the Treaty of Washington, he has been engaged, under permits from the States of Maine and Massachusetts, in the manufacture of pine timbers upon that part of this State, which is watered by the River St John and its tributaries.

The memorialist further stated that notwithstanding the clear and explicit provision of said Treaty, by which the free transit of the productions of that part of the State of Maine, through the river St John, and to and from the seaport to its mouth, without the exaction of any tax, toll or duty, was supposed to be secured, he has been compelled to pay to

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The Provincial Authorities of New Brunswick, an export duty upon said timber, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$1808, 86.

That, believing the exaction of said duty to be in contravention of the plain and obvious meaning of the third article of said treaty; he has made application to the Congress of the United States for reimbursement and relief; and he asks the intervention of the government of this State, as well in his own behalf, as that the rights and interests of the citizens of Maine engaged in similar pursuits, may be protected from further imposition.

Accompanying this memorial, and in proof of the allegations therein contained, are several documents marked from A to H, inclusive, all of which together with said memorial, are herewith submitted.

In the early part of last year, I was advised by letters from respectable and well informed individuals that the law complained of by this memorialist had been passed by the Provincial Legislature of New Brunswick; and that under its operation, the lumber cut in the State of Maine, and destined for market or shipment at the port of St John, would be subject to an export duty of twenty cents per ton.

Considering the imposition of this tax as in flagrant violation of an express stipulation of the treaty, I addressed a letter

to Hon John C Calhoun, Secretary of State.
State under date of April 10th 1856, ap-
praising him of the passage of said
law; and requesting the interference
of the General government to prevent its
repeal. A copy of this letter and his
reply thereto will also accompany the
communication.

It will be unnecessary to remind the
Legislature that among the advanta-
ges and equivalents which the treaty of Wash-
ington was supposed to provide, the free
and unrestricted right to navigate
the River St John was considered by all
the parties concerned in the negotiation
as of great importance to the interests
of Maine. Aside from the pecuni-
ary compensation awarded to the State
of Maine and Massachusetts it was in
fact the only indemnity provided by
the treaty, for the large concession she
was called upon to make, and without
which, it is safe to aver, the consent of
her commissioners would not have
been obtained.

In consenting to the adjustment of
a protracted controversy, upon terms
involving so great a sacrifice of terri-
torial rights, it was not anticipated,
that the provisions of the treaty intended
to secure a partial compensation,
would be evaded or denied.

Should the claim now set up by the
Provincial Legislature, sanctioned
as it is by the superior authorities of
Great Britain, be acquiesced in by our

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government. it is obvious, that the use of the River for all the purposes mentioned in the treaty can be enjoyed by our citizens, only through the sufferance of our Colonial neighbours.

If the Legislature of New Brunswick can impose a duty of twenty cents per ton upon American timber shipped from the port at the mouth of the St John, it may with equal propriety carry the imposition to any extent which the wants of its treasury, or the exigencies of its government may demand. And if under color of dealing with the productions of the United States as they deal with the productions of New Brunswick, they can impose a burdensome and oppressive tax taking care to indemnify their own citizens by a drawback or a bounty as in the present case, they have it in their power effectually to shut up, what was intended by the treaty as a common highway, which for certain purposes, should be mutually free to the citizens of both the contiguous countries.

The productions of the soil, as well as of the forest, may be subjected to similar impositions; and unless the encroachments be promptly and effectually resisted, a precedent will be established by which the government of New Brunswick will not fail hereafter to profit.

What measures, if any, the general government have taken to procure a repeal of

the anxious act, and an acknowledgment of the rights under the treaty I have no means of knowing. A memorial addressed to the President of the United States, containing a lucid and elaborate statement of the whole case was forwarded to Washington in the month of April last. A copy of that paper will be found among the documents herewith communicated, marked G. and as it presents in an able and unanswerable manner all the points involved in the case, and was drawn as I have reason to believe by our fully conversant with the whole negotiation. I beg leave, particularly, to recommend it to the consideration of the Legislature.

The subject is one of deep interest to a numerous class of our citizens, and as the joint owners of a large portion of the territory watered by the River St John and its tributaries, the pecuniary interests of the State of Maine and Massachusetts are seriously involved. It is generally understood in that section of the State more immediately interested that a considerable augmentation of the present duty is now in contemplation; and it is easy to perceive that under the interpretation given to the treaty by the government of Great Britain, a considerable portion of the value of our furs may be annually transferred to the colonial treasury.

If upon an inspection of the documents

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accompanying this communication, the views I have presented shall be sustained by the Legislature, I would respectfully recommend, that such an expression be given by the government of this State as shall tend to secure from the national Government that prompt and energetic interposition which the case demands.

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C. J. Anderson.

Mr Daring moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the Senate indefinitely postponed the order allowing Joseph Pollard to take from the files of the Senate his petition for remuneration for loss sustained from the States seizing his timber, together with his accompanying papers. on motion of Mr Daring the order was laid on the table.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of drafting a law more effectually to protect mowse and Deer was passed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster
Secretary.

Wednesday February 19. 1845

The Secretary presented to the governor for his approval, Bills, entitled; an act to incorporate the Portland Iron Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Portland Steam Tow Boat Company,

An act to incorporate the Brunswick Seminary,

An act to incorporate the proprietors of Dennyville Academy;

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Mount Academy
and

Resolve for the repair of the road from Westbrook road to the town of Snyrna.

Remonstrance of Samuel A Morse and others against the petition of Samuel Small and others was referred to the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Enock Paine and others for a Steam Ferry from Portland to Cape Elizabeth was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr Chadwick from the Committee on Division of towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Harmon Jaques and others, and Nathaniel C Reed and others. Serially accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Chadwick from the same committee reported leave to withdraw on petition of Richard Morse and others, on motion of Mrs Fallman the report was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act authorizing the town of Machias to assess a tax on the owners of Dogs was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis was laid on the table.

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the trustees of the school funds in East Livermore (reported from the committee on bills in a second reading with an amendment, which was agreed to) was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the Westbrook Manufacturing Company,
and

An act to incorporate the Maine Manufacturers Mutual Fire Insurance Company were serially read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House informed the Senate that 261
it had ordered three hundred and
fifty copies of the communication from
the governor relating to the duty im-
posed upon timber shipped from the
port of St Johns by the Provincial au-
thorities of New Brunswick, together with
the accompanying documents, be printed
for the use of the Legislature.

Bill entitled an act to set off certain
lands from Watuborough and annex
the same to Alfred was read a sec-
ond time and on motion of Mr Dur-
ing the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Durin the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of
bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Portland Steam Packet Company, Mr
Otis offered an amendment on sheet
marked A, and before that question
was taken the Senate

Bill, entitled an act to incorporate the trustees
of the ministerial funds in East Chismore re-
ported from the committee on bills in a
second reading with an amendment which
was agreed to was read a second time
and passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

Adjourned

James O. L. Peckham
Secretary.

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On motion of Mr Durw. bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Steam Packet Company was laid on the table.

Mr Holden from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

Bills entitled;

An act additional to an act to incorporate the salt water falls company,

An act to incorporate the Maine Manufacturing company,

An act to incorporate the Keizer Falls Manufacturing company,

and act to set off certain lots from the town of Sebago and annex the same to the town of Naples and the same were passed to be enacted. and presented by the Secretary to the governor for his approval.

Petition of Calvin Borkman and others to be incorporated into a company for the manufacture of cotton was referred to the committee on manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of R. H. Bridgman and others praying for repeal of a law relating to the Salmon Fishery in the County of Washington was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence. 263.

Petition of George Bartlett for renewal of pension, was referred to the Committee on Military Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Sylvanus Hatch for right to resume a lot of Land which has reverted to the State was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Select men of Newry against the petition of Thomas W. Moody and

Remonstrance of John Goddard and others against the same were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Abramiah Rowe and others for the incorporation of an Academy at Newport was referred to the Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House referring the report of the trustees together with the report of the Superintendent and Steward of the Insane Hospital to the Committee on the Insane Hospital was passed in concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act to divide the town of Anson and

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incorporate the town of South Anson (reported from the Committee on Divisions of Towns, on petition of Franklin Smith and others)

An act to set off a part of the town of Bluehill (reported from the Committee on Divisions of Towns, on petition of Floyd Kinkadey)

An act to set off a part of the town of Kennebec (reported from the Committee on Divisions of Towns, on petition of William D. Warner) were severally read once and a remonstrance assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act in addition to the sixteenth chapter of the Revised Statutes was read a second time and on motion of Mr. Dunn was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act in addition to "an act to extend the time allowed the City Bank to close its accounts, came up amended on which marked A and passed to be engrossed as thus amended. The Senate decided from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amendment and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in favor of Isaac Haskin. Mr. Otis withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the Resolves, and the same

was passed to be engrossed. Sent down 265
for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Kennebec and Boston Steam Navigation
Company, came up amended on report
and recommitted to the committee on
the Judiciary. The Senate receded from its
vote passing the bill to be engrossed, con-
curred in the amendment and recom-
mited the bill in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act amending an act
entitled an act to incorporate the Bar-
ger Tonn Company approved March 22
1843 (reported from the committee on In-
terior Waters, in the House, on petition of
Thomas M. Moody, was recommitted in
concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceed-
ed to the consideration of bill entitled an
act to incorporate the Portland Steam Pack-
et Company, the question preceding being
on the adoption of the amendment of-
fered yesterday by Mr. Otis and before
that question was taken, the bill on mo-
tion of Mr. Otis was laid on the table.

A communication was received from
the Secretary of State transmitting a
list of the names of such inspectors of fish
as were in commission the past year.
The communication and accompanying
papers was referred to the committee on
fisheries. Sent down for concurrence.

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Petition of Moses L. Cuck and others for leave to change the bed of the Stream running from Sacot Cuck Pond to Desa Brook in Buckport was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in consequence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of James Goodwin and others for a charter to erect a toll bridge across the Piscataqua River from Elliot to Dover N. H. was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of H. W. Paine for compensation for doing the duty of attorney General at the October term of the S. J. Court of the County of Kennebec was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Ezekiah Ordway and others for the annexation of a part of Fryeburg Academy Grant to the town of Silex was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Greene and others for an act to incorporate a woolen Manufacturing Company

and

Petition of Alexander De Witt and others for alteration of the corporate name of the Saugus Manufacturing Company were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

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Mr. Fayer from the committee on the Judiciary reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of George Williams and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of further regulating the fees of Registers of Deeds was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House constituting the delegation of the County of York a committee to inquire into the expediency of reducing the salary of the Register of Probate for said County to five hundred dollars was passed in Concurrence.

Bills entitled an act making further provision to collect for the keeping of the poor in the several towns in the State (laid on the table in the House) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Franklin Merriam and others for an alteration of the license law was referred to the committee on the license law. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Holden from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

Bills entitled;

An act to authorize the construction of 269
a passage way from Richmonds Island
to the Main Land;

An act authorizing the sale of the first
Congregational Meeting House in the
first parish in Boothbay;

An act additional to an act to in-
corporate the St Albans Woollen Manu-
facturing Company and the same were
severally passed to be enacted.

Mr Holden from the same Committee also
reported as truly and correctly engrossed
bill entitled An act to make valid the
doings of the town of Aldtown. On motion
of Mr Duran the bill was laid on the
table.

Mr Holden from the same Committee
also reported as truly and correctly
engrossed;

Resolve in favor of the town of Casco
and the same was finally passed.

Bills entitled;

An act for the incorporation of the
Hennetee and Boston Steam Packet
Company (reported from the Commit-
tee on the Judiciary to whom was re-
committed the bill entitled an act
to incorporate the Hennetee and Bos-
ton Steam Navigation Company)

An act additional to an act to in-

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to establish the Bath and Portland Rail Road Company (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of William D. Sewell and others)

An act to incorporate the Lewiston Falls Cotton Mill Company (reported from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Calvin Gorham and others)

An act to incorporate the Eastern Steam Navigation Company (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Nathaniel Kimball and others) were severally read once and twelve o'clock this day assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Miller ordered that the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the situation of the property now under attachment in suits commenced on bonds given by Stephen Tracy and others to the State. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the thirty sixth Chapter of the Revised Statute (laid on the table by Mr. Swan on leave) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of York (reported in the House from the Committee consisting of the delega-

tion from the County of York to whom 271
was referred the petition of William
Hammond) came up recommitted.
The Senate recommitted the the same
in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of the
report of the committee on the Judiciary
on order relative to authorizing Judges
of Probate to give license to guardians
to insure the property of their wards in
mutual insurance companies, on his
motion the report was recommitted.

Mr. Wood from the committee on Inte-
rior Waters made a report asking to be
discharged from the further considera-
tion of the petition of John F. Hunt and
recommending that the same be re-
ferred to the committee on Rail Roads
and Bridges. Accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

Mr. French from the committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges reported leave
to withdraw on petition of Asa Sporn
et al and others; and order of notice
returnable to the present Legislature on
petition of Ephraim Rand and others.

Mr. Fay from the committee on the Ju-
diary reported order of notice return-
able to the present Legislature on petition
of Charles J. Parsons and others; and leave
to withdraw on petition of Robert Cunn-

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mett. Severally accepted and sent down
for concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of Waldo to lay out a road over the tide waters of Soudew Creek (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of Alexander Cummings and others)

An act to revise the charter of the Frost-Scott Bridge corporation (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of Fredrick A Fuller and others)

An act to change the name and increase the capital stock of the Palmer and Machiasport Rail Road Corporation (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of directors of the Palmer and Machiasport Rail Road Company)

An act to extend to the Belfast and Quebec Rail Road Company further time to build their road (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of H O Alden and others)

An act additional to an act relating to trustee process on foreign attachments (reported from the Committee on the

Judiciary to whom it was referred) 27th
and

Resolved in favor of the town of Passa-
duruckeg (reported from the commit-
tee on State Lands and State Roads
on petition of Christian F. Jordan and others)
were severally read once and tomor-
row assigned for a second reading.

On motion of McDunn the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Bill enti-
tled an act to incorporate the Portland
Steam Packet Company; the question
pending being on the adoption of the
amendment offered by Mr Otis on the
19th instant. Mr Otis having spoken to
the question more than three times
to speak again, when Mr Chase objec-
ted thereto. Mr Rose then moved to
suspend the 10th Rule of Senate and
before that question was taken the Sen-
ate on motion of Mrs French,
Adjourned,

James O. L. Fisher,
Secretary.

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Our motion of Mr Dunn's Bill entitled
an act to incorporate the Portland Steam
Packet Company was laid on the table.

Petition of William B. Frye and others
for a charter for the construction of a
Rail Road from some point of connec-
ion with the Atlantic and St Law-
rence Rail Road and thence passing
by Lewiston falls to the Kennebec River,
was referred to the Committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Hazeltine and others
for an act of incorporation for the pur-
pose of Manufacturing Cotton cloths and
other fabrics was referred to the Com-
mittee on Manufactures in concu-
rence.

Bills entitled:

An act additional to an act to estab-
lish the Bath and Portland Rail Road
Company,

An act to set off a part of the town of
Bluehill (reported from the committee
on bills in the second reading without
amendment on sheet marked A which

was agreed to)

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An act to incorporate the Lewiston Falls Cotton Mill Company.

An act to set off a part of the town of Sunny (reported from the Committee on Bills in a second reading with an amendment which was agreed to)

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Waldo to lay out a road over the tide waters of Gooden Brook.

An act to renew the charter of the Pictou Foot Bridge Corporation,

An act to change the name and increase the capital stock of the Palmer and Machiasport Rail Road Corporation,

An act to extend to the Belfast and Quebec Rail Road Company further time to build their road,

An act additional to an act relating to Trustee Process on foreign attachments and

Resolves in favor of the town of Passadumung were successively read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled:

An act to incorporate the trustees of the

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school funds in East Sackville came from the House amended on that annexed marked B and passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended. The Senate receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amendment adopted by the House and passed the bill to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Ministerial fund in East Sackville came up amended on that annexed marked B. The Senate receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amendment adopted by the House and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act additional to the one hundred and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported in the House from the Committee on the Judiciary on order directing said Committee to enquire whether the one hundred and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statute requires alteration.)

An additional act to regulate the survey of lands in the County of Penobscot (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Oliver Frost and others)

An act to authorize the directors of the

Chicago and Company to apportion a tax and 277
for other purposes (reported from the com-
mittee on the Judiciary on petition of
Newton Hayes and others)

An act to authorize the trustees of the
German Protestant Society in Waldo
to dispose of their Lands and funds
reported from the committee on the Ju-
diary on petition of Peter Munk and
others)

An act for the incorporation of the Augus-
ta and Boston Steam Transportation Compa-
ny (reported from the committee on the
Judiciary on petition of Charles H. Beck
and others)

An act to incorporate the Machias-
port and East Machias Toll Bridge Com-
pany (reported from the committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of
Samuel Small and others)

Resolve in favor of Joseph S. Kelsey (re-
ported from the committee on State Lands
and State Roads on petition of Joseph S.
Kelsey)

and

Resolve in favor of Walter Darling (reported
back from the committee on State
Lands and State Roads to whom it was
recommitted with instructions to re-
port a statement of facts) were severally
read once and Monday next assigned
for a second reading.

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Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Eastern Steam Navigation Company was read a second time and on motion of Mr Dunn laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act for the incorporation of the Kennebec and Boston Steam Packet Company was read a second time and on motion of Mr French laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to divide the town of Anson and incorporate the town of South Anson, was read a second time and on motion of Mr Holmes laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of William H Pope and Samuel Pope, proprietors of Township M 18. east division in the County of Washington was recommitted in concurrence.

Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State roads reported leave to withdraw six petitions of inhabitants of Settle D. or Fort Fairfield Township; of inhabitants of St John and Ansonstock rivers; of inhabitants of No 11 Range 5. Generally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr French from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges reported order of introduction to the present Legislature on petition of James Goodwin and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The order from the House directing the ^{2^d} ~~the~~ Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of passing a law regulating and defining the duties and liabilities of Steam Boat Corporations was on motion of Mr. Holden taken up and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Steam Packet Company. The question pending to suspend the 10th rule of the Senate was withdrawn by Mr. Rose, and the bill after further discussion was on motion of Mr. French was laid on the table.

Mr. Dunn moved to proceed again to the consideration of the bill and that question being on his motion, ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, was decided in the negative as follows to-wit:

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Chase, Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Miller, Pitts- bury, Sprules, Swan and Woods 11.
Nays Messrs Peering, French, Frye, Hol- den, Knoutton, Moorson, Otis, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Sherman, Skilton, Stout, Townsend, and Warren. 15.

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered a bill entitled an act additional to an act incorporating the Bangor Boom Company approved March 22. 1843.

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and

A bill entitled an additional act regulating the collection of taxes on real estate in incorporated places to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to make valid the doings of the town of Oldtown and the same was passed to be enacted.

Mr. Holden from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed.

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Westbrook Manufacturing Company,

An act to incorporate the Cuxton Woolen Manufacturing Company,

An act additional to the fifty fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes.

An act to change the name of Plantation Number two and three in the first range and number two and three in the second range of townships in the County of Franklin,

An act extending the time allowed the Bank of Portland to close its accounts
and

An act to incorporate the Maine Man-

moth Mutual Fire Insurance Com- 281.
pany, and the same were severally
passed to be enacted.

Mr Rodden from the same committee
reported as truly and correctly in-
gaged.

Resolved in favor of Abdediah Fairfield
and the same was finally passed.

Adjourned

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of Mr A. Harriman and others praying that the Duck trap Toll bridge be made a free bridge was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of M. A. Wilder and others against the repeal of the law regulating the Herring Fishery in Washington County was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the 30th Chapter of the Revised Statute was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to set off certain lands in township No Seven contiguous to Gouldsboro, and to annex the same to Gouldsboro (reported in the House from the Committee on Division of towns on petition of George W. Whittaker) was read over and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.)

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered the report of the committee on finance on an order directing them

to inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve authorizing the Treasurer of State to receive any and every sum of money due from the United States to this State, or credited by the United States as the proceeds of the Public Lands under the distribution act and the report of the minority of said Committee on said order, to be printed for the use of the Legislature. 283.

On motion of Mr Chase ordered that Messrs Chase, Pillsbury and Hastings with so many as the House may join be a committee to take into consideration the Governor's communication relating to the violation of the Treaty of Washington and the papers accompanying the same.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act granting proprietors and owners of unincorporated lands forfeited to the State for the nonpayment of Taxes the right to redeem the same, and further time to pay certain taxes. The question pending being on reading from the vote passing the bill to be engrossed, agreeing to the amendment or shut annexed must be adopted by the House, was decided in the affirmative. And the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Doring the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill

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 entitled an act to set off certain lands
 from Waldborough and annex the same
 to Alfred, and on his motion the fur-
 ther consideration of the bill was indef-
 initely postponed.

Bill entitled an act for the incorpora-
 tion of the Augusta and Boston Steam
 Transportation company was read a
 second time and on motion of Mr
 French laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to authorize the
 trustees of the German Protestant society
 in Waldborough to dispose of their land
 and funds (reported from the committee
 in bills in a second reading with an a-
 mendment which was agreed to)

and

Resolves in favor of Joseph B. Nelson were
 severally read a second time and pass-
 ed to be engrossed. Sent down for concur-
 rence.

On motion of Mr Sherburne the Senate
 proceeded to the consideration of bill en-
 titled an act to divide the town of Au-
 son and incorporate the town of South
 Anson. Mr Swan moved to indefinitely
 postpone the further consideration of the
 bill, and on his motion the yeas and
 nays were ordered on that question. On
 motion of Mr Faye the bill was amend-
 ed on that annexed marked A. on
 motion of Mr Russell the bill was recom-

mitted with instructions to report a statement of facts

Resolves in favor of Walter Darling was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr French from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed.

Resolves in favor of Isaac Kacker, and the same was finally passed.

Adjourned.

James V. L. Foster
Secretary.

Tuesday February 25. 1845.

The Secretary presented to the governor for his approval bills entitled

An act to change the name of plantation number two and three in the first range and number two and three in the second range of townships in the County of Franklin

An act authorizing the sale of the first Congregational Meeting House in the first Parish in Scotland,

An act to authorize the construction of a pupage way from Richmond Island to the main land,

An act additional to the fifty fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes,

An act extending the time allowed the Bank of Portland to close its concerns.

An act additional to an act to incorporate the St Albans Woolen Manufacturing Company,

An act to incorporate the Maine Mammoth Mutual Fire Insurance Company,

An act to incorporate the Westbrook 287
Manufacturing Company,

An act to incorporate the Burston Wood
Manufacturing Company

An act to make valid the doings of the
town of Oldtown,

Resolved in favor of Jedediah Fairfield,

Resolved in favor of the town of Casco,
and

Resolved in favor of Isaac Hasker,

On motion of Mr. Sherburne the Senate
reconsidered its vote of yesterday recom-
mitting bill entitled

An act to divide the town of Anson and
incorporate the town of South Anson. The
question returned upon the motion of Mr.
Swan to indefinitely postpone the further
consideration of the same, and that be-
ing ordered to be taken by yeas and nays
was decided in the negative as follows
to wit;

Yea. Messrs Knowlton, Otis, Skillin,
Short and Warren 5.

Nay. Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Chase,
Chadwick, Curran, Faye, Goldens, Wil-
ley Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sargent, Shaw,
Shuburn, Townsends 15.

The next question being on passing the
bill to be engrossed was decided in the
affirmative. Sent down for concurrence.

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Petition of Margaret Hapton for assignment of Dower out of lands of her late husband now belonging to the State of Maine was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the one hundred and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statute was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bills entitled:

(An act to provide in part for the expenditure of government (passed to be engrossed in the House)

Resolved in favor of Sylvanus Hatch (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of said Hatch)

and

Resolved in favor of Nicholas Pierce (reported in the House from the Committee on Military pensions on petition of said Pierce) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to authorize the directors of the Penobscot Company to assess a tax, and for other purposes was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the

Wachusett and East Wachusett Toll bridge company was read a second time amended on sheet annexed marked A. and on motion of Mr Holden laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Duran the Senate proceeded to the consideration of adjutants to the pay of Adjutants of Regiments for the year 1844. and on his motion the same was amended as on sheet marked A. and as amended passed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Holden. Ordered that a message be sent to the House asking that body to return Bill entitled an act to set off certain lands from Watuborough and annex the same to Alfred. On his motion the vote when by the Senate indefinitely postponed. The further consideration of the bill was reconsidered.

Remonstrance of Ward Spence and others of New Portland against the petition of Isaac Suris and others. was referred to the Committee on Division of towns. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Petition of Ammi Drinkwater and others
for an act authorizing the County Com-
missioners to lay out a road via Duck
trap toll bridge
and

Petition of H. P. Furtu and others praying
for an act of incorporation for the pur-
pose of erecting a toll bridge across Pio-
catagus river were severally referred to the
Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in
concurrence.

Petition of Asa L. Clark and others in re-
lation to Indian paupers was referred to
the Committee on Indian Affairs in con-
currence.

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of Mount Ve-
now against the petition of William M.
Jose was referred to the Committee on
Division of Towns in concurrence.

Remonstrance of David Howe and others
against the petition of Joseph Miller and
others was referred to the Committee on
Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Russell and others and
of Woodbury Jordan and others for a Steam

Bill between Portland and Cape Elizabeth were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the Committee on State Lands and State Roads to inquire into the expediency of passing a resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell the vacant lands in townships surveyed for settlement in blocks as now run out to actual settlers in such townships for the accommodation of settlers, and the raising of funds for the opening of necessary roads, was passed in concurrence.

The order appointing a committee to consider the governor's communication relating to the violation of the treaty of Washington came up, passed and Messrs. Kimball of Canton, House of Representatives, Phillips of Lee, Hayden of Eastport, and Bean of Belfast joined in concurrence.

Resolve for the improvement of the Road from the Military road to the mouth of Fish River (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads to whom it was recommended) was read twice, the rule being suspended, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Sylvanus Hatch was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

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Resolue in favor of Nicholas Pinckney was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled;

An act to set off certain lands in Township No 7 contiguous to Gouldsboro and annex the same to Gouldsboro was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr French the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to incorporate the Washiasport and East Washias Toll bridge company. The bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government, was read a second time. Mr Rose offered an amendment on sheet A, and before taking the question on agreeing thereto, the bill was laid out the table.

Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw on petitions of Isaac Warrington, and of the Town of Maxfield. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Skilling from the Committee on Fisheries reported leave to withdraw on petition of George B Harmon and others;

of R. H. Bridgman and others; and one 293
petition of Inhabitants of Swans Island.
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr French from the committee on Rail
Roads and Bridges reported order of res-
olution returnable to the present Legisla-
ture on petition of William P. Frye and
others. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Henry P. Harvey and
others, Isaac P. Smith and others, George
P. Giberson and others, Thomas P. Parley
and others, James Shickney and others,
Benjamin Debeak and others and Isaac
P. Harvey and others (reported in the house
from the committee on State Lands and
State Roads on Resolves in favor of Henry
P. Harvey and others, James Shickney and
others Rufus Mansur and others and peti-
tion of Thomas P. Parley)

Resolved in favor of William H. Pope and
Samuel Pope, proprietors of Township No. 18
East division, in the County of Washington
(reported from the committee on State
Lands and State Roads, to whom it was
recommended)

Bills entitled an act to incorporate the An-
drossoggin Agricultural Society (reported
from the committee on Agriculture on pe-
tition of Samuel Moody and others) were
serially read once and tomorrow assign-
ed for a second reading.

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Bill entitled an act to abolish the District Court and additional to the nineteenth Chapter of the Revised Statutes was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Mr Faye moved to reconsider the vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

The bill and motion was on motion of Mrs Dunn laid on the table.

Mr French from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges made a report asking to be discharged from the further consideration of Petition of Ebenezer Lawrence and recommending reference of the same to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Wood from the Committee on Interior Waters reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Inhabitants of Milford and Oldtown. On motion of Mrs Rose the petition was recommitted with instructions to report a statement of facts.

Bill entitled an act to regulate the Survey of Surveys in the County of Bristol was read a second time and on motion of Mrs Otis laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to change the name and increase the Capital Stock of the Palmer and Mashiasport Rail Road came up amended on that marked A. The Senate receded from its vote

passing the bill to be engrossed, agreed 205
to the amendment and passed the
bill to be engrossed as amended in
concurrence.

Adjourned

James S. L. Foster, Sec. S. C.

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Petition of H. B. Farrow and others for an alteration of the law regulating attachments of Property

and

Petition of the town of Buarnville for the repeal of the town Court Law were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of S. Smith and others against the petition of James Heald and others was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Superior Normal Academy laid on the table in the House was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act altering the time of holding the Spring term of the District Court in the County of Piscataquis (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Alexander McRobinson)

Resolve in favor of Joseph Williamson (reported from the Committee on Claims on petition of said Williamson)

Resolve authorizing Ebenezer Hale and wife to sell certain real Estate (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Ebenezer Hale) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Shelton from the Committee on 29th
claims reported leave to withdraw one
petition of Henry Greene and others.
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Faye from the Committee on the Ju-
diciary reported legislation inexpedient
on an order relative to the 15th section
of the 25th Chapter of the Revised Stat-
utes. Accepted and sent down for Concurrence.

The following communication was received
from the Governor.

To the Senate and
House of Representatives,

I have received from the Governor of
the State of Delaware, a copy of Resolutions
adopted by the Legislature of that State, re-
lating to the annexation of Texas to the
United States; also Resolutions of the Legis-
lature of the State of Rhode Island and
of the Legislature of Vermont upon the same
subject. I have also received a copy of
a memorial addressed by the Legislature
of the State of Missouri to the Congress of
the United States concerning the occupa-
tion of Oregon; joint Resolutions of the Gen-
eral Assembly of Alabama in relation to
the Sheriff, the annexation of Texas, a distri-
bution of the proceeds of the sales of the
public lands and a National Bank,
and joint Resolutions of the same State,
on the repudiation of State debts.
Also, Resolutions of the Legislature of Vermont

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relative to the Tariff of 1842, and a distribution of the proceeds of sales of the public lands. - Joint Resolutions of the Legislature of the State of Indiana "on the subject of Repudiating State debts" and "in relation to exchanging documents with other States"; Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, and of the Legislature of Alabama, concerning an alleged interference by the State of Massachusetts with the domestic institutions of the Southern States: and Resolutions of the General Assembly of Rhode Island, in response to resolutions of the State of New Hampshire concerning the imprisonment of Thomas W. Dorr, all of which documents are herewith laid before you.

H. A. Anderson.

Council Chamber

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The communication on motion of Mr. Dunn was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn ordered that all Committees of this Legislature be directed to make final reports on all business referred to them on or before the eleventh day of March next. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to divide the town of Anson and incorporate the town of

of South Anson came up recommitted 299.
with instructions to report a statement
of facts. The Senate receded from its
vote passing the bill to be engrossed,
and recommitted the same in con-
sequence.

On motion of Mr. Chase the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Re-
solves for the purchase of Greenleafs map.
Mr. Holmes offered an amendment on
sheet A, which was agreed to. Mr. Otis
moved that the further consideration
of the same be indefinitely postponed,
and on his motion that question was
taken by yeas and nays and decided
in the negative as follows, to-wit-

Yeas. Messrs. Berry, Dearing, Frye, Hastings,
Otis, Pillsbury, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin,
Storcut, Waneu, 11.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase, Chad-
wick, Dunn, Holmes, Holden, Miller,
Morse, Potter, Rose, Sheddum, Smiley,
Swan, Townsend, Woods 16.

The question returned upon passing the
Resolves to be engrossed, and that ques-
tion being ordered to be taken by yeas
and nays was decided in the affirma-
tive as follows to-wit-

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase, Chad-
wick, Dunn, Holmes, Holden, Miller,
Morse, Potter, Rose, Sheddum, Smiley,
Swan, Townsend, Woods, 16.

Nays. Messrs. Berry, Dearing, Frye, Hastings, Otis, Pills-
bury, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin, Storcut, Waneu, 11.

Adjourned. L. A. & L. Foster, Secretary.

Friday, February, 28, 1845.

Petition of Benjamin H. Wadsworth and others for the protection of Fisheries on the Kennebec, and Audubon's Petition was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional respecting the Maine Bank (laid on the table in the House) was read twice, the rule being suspended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military pensions giving leave to withdraw on Petition of Fannette Wood, was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of Bill entitled an act for the incorporation of the Kennebec and Boston Steam Packet Company, and that question was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit:

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Parrett, Chase, Chadwick, Duran, Frye, Hastings, Knoulton, Porter, Sargent, Shuburne, Smiley, Swan, Townsend, Wood. 15.

Nays. Messrs Holden, Otis, Shaw, Skillin, Stout, Warren. 6.

The question pending, was on passing the 301
bill to be engrossed and it was decided
in the affirmative by yeas and nays
as follows. To wit:

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Berry, Case,
Chadwick, Dunn, Frye, Hastings, Hol-
den, Porter, Shurtown, Smiley, Short, Swan,
Toussend, Woods. 16.

Nays. Messrs. Roulston, Chas. Rose, Sargent,
Shaw, Skillin, Warren. 7.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Wood from the Committee on Inte-
rior Waters, reported leave to withdraw
one petition of Samuel Boussey and others,
one petition of Allen Meader and others,
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Pillsbury from the Committee on
Indian Affairs reported leave to withdraw
one petition of Ansoyl Black. Accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Skillin from the Committee of Fisheries
reported leave to withdraw one petition
of Joseph Miller and others; of Nathaniel
Phillikin and others, and of John I
Ames and others. Accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Rice the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled
an act in addition to the sixteenth chapter
of the Revised Statutes, and on his mo-
tion (this day at twelve o'clock) was assign-
ed for the further consideration of the same.

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On motion of Mr Holden the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to set off certain lands from Watertown and annex the same to the town of Alfred. The question being on indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same, and that being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows, to wit;

Yeas. Messrs Sanborn, Bangs, Chadwick, Dering, French, Frye, Hastings, Holden, Knoulton, Mourse, Otis, Sargent, Shaw, Shelburne, Skillin, Smith, Shout, Swan, Townsend, Vance, 20

Nays. Messrs Chase, Durw, Holmes, Pillsbury, Rose, Wood 6.

Resolve in favor of Henry C Barry and others Asa Dow and others, Isaac B Smith and others, George B Gibson and others; Thomas C Poley and others; James Spickney and others; Benjamin DeBeck and others and Asa B Barry and others was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of William H Pope and Samuel Pope, proprietors of township No. 18. East division in the County of Washington was amended in the title by striking out the name of Samuel Pope and inserting in lieu thereof the name of Samuel W Pope, read a second time and passed to be engrossed as

this amended. Sent down for con-³⁰³cur-
rence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Audisicoggin Agricultural Society (re-
ported from the Committee on bills in
the second reading with an amend-
ment on shits marked A and B which
were agreed to) was read a second
time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary presented to the governor
for his approval, bills entitled

An act to incorporate the trustees of
the school funds in East Sumner,

An act to incorporate the trustees of
the Ministerial funds in East Sum-
ner.

An act granting proprietors and owners
of unincorporated lands forfeited to the
State for the nonpayment of taxes, the
right to redeem the same, and further
time to pay certain taxes.

An act additional to an act to Estab-
lish the Bath and Portland Rail Road
Company.

and

Resolve for the repair of the Machias
Acrostook Roads.

Mr Holden from the Committee on

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Engrossed bills, reported as truly, and
correctly engrossed bills entitled,

An act additional to an act relating
to trustee process or Foreign attachment,

An act to set off a part of the town of
Blushill,

An act to set off certain land in
township number seven, contiguous
to Gouldsbrough, and to annex the same
to Gouldsbrough.

An act to set off a part of the town
of Surrency,

An act to extend to the Belfast and Duke
Rail Road Company further time to build
their Road.

An act to authorize the County commis-
sioners of the County of Waldo to lay out a
road over the tide waters of Lowders
Creek.

An act to change the name and increase
the capital stock of the Palmetto and Mer-
chandise Rail Road Corporation.

An act to revive the charter of the Per-
sco Bridge Corporation
and

An act to authorize the Trustees of the Ger-

man Protestant Society in Walden to 305
dispose of their land and funds and they
were severally passed to be engrossed and pre-
sented by the Secretary to the Governor for
his approval.

An Address from the same Committee
also reported as truly and correctly en-
grossed.

Resolve in favor of Nicholas Price,

Resolve in favor of Walter Darling.

Resolve in favor of the town of Passadumung
and

Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Kelsey and the
same were severally finally passed and
presented by the Secretary to the Governor
for his approval.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Williamson was
read a second time and passed to be
engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled; an act altering the time of
holding the Spring term of the District
Court in the County of Piscataquis
and

Resolve authorizing Ebenezer Hale and wife
to sell certain real estate in Deer Isle were
severally read a second time and passed
to be engrossed. Sent down for con-
currence.

Bills entitled an act in addition to the

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Sixteenth chapter of the Revised Statute was amended on sheet annexed marked A. Mr Dunn offered an amendment on sheet marked B and while that was pending the bill on motion of Mr Hastings was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act in relation to Steam navigation corporations (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to defining the duties and liabilities of Steam Boat corporations) was read once. Mr Otis offered an amendment on sheets marked A and B and on his motion the bill and amendments were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolves of the Piscataquis County Washington Temperance Convention presented by Mr Monroe were referred to the Committee on the license law. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Hugh Shiley and others to be set off from Searsport and reannexed to Belfast was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary presented to the governor for approval two copies of an act in addition to an act to extend the time allowed the City Bank to clear its concerns.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster Secretary.

Saturday, March 1. 1845.

Petition of J. D. Price and others for an act to authorize the officers of the Town of Augusta to raise money for certain purposes was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Order from the House appointing a joint select committee on its part of Messrs Allen of Alfred, Perkins of Augusta, Chapman of Nobleboro, Fairie of Bangor, Brewster of Sea, Chadwick of Portland and Canuel of Naples to inquire what claims in the name of this State are now under the charge of our Agent at Washington against the General Government of the United States, and in what manner the same are being prosecuted against said government with authority to send for persons and papers. The order was passed and Messrs Shubert, Smiley and Tapp joined in concurrence.

The order directing all Committees of this Legislature to report finally came up amended. The Senate nonconcurred the House in the amendment and insisted on its former vote passing the order. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Orono for an

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... act to make valid certain doings of the town of Orono, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of Towns referring the Petition of James Heala & of Joseph L. Hackett to next Legislature was accepted in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of providing for a more just and economical method of making a State valuation was on motion of Mr. Duran indefinitely postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

The House informed the Senate that, that body had ordered 400 copies of the report of the Joint select Committee to which were referred Resolutions of the State of New Hampshire relative to the imprisonment of Thomas M. Don together with the preamble and resolutions reported by said Committee, and 400 copies of the report of the minority of said Committee, to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Holden from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Seneca Falls Cotton Mill Company and the same was passed to be enacted, and presented

by the Secretary to the Governor for his 309.
approval.

Memorial of Benjamin Foster was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the Revised Statutes (laid on the table by Mrs. Faye) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of James Saunders and others for the passage of a law to suppress the traffic in intoxicating drinks was referred to the Committee on the License Law. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Seaside Manufacturing Company (reported from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Alexander De Witt and others)

and

Resolves for the promotion of Education in the unincorporated places on the River St. John (reported from the Committee on Education on order referring so much of the Governor's message as relates to schools in the Madawaska Settlement and on the final report of the Superintendent of schools in said settlement) were serially read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

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Mr Chadwick from the Committee on Division of towns to whom was recommended the petition of James M. Hilton and others with instructions to report a Statement of facts, again reported refusal to the next Legislature by agreement of parties. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Dering from the Joint Select Committee consisting of the York Delegation to whom was referred order relative to the salary of the Register of Probate for said County, reported that Legislation on that subject is inexpedient. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Monroe, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in favor of Elliot J. Vaughan.

Mr Otis proposed an amendment on sheet A. and while that motion was pending the Resolve was laid on the table.

On motion of Mrs Banett the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act additional to Chapter one hundred and fifty six of the Revised Statutes. Mr Otis withdrew the amendment he offered yesterday. Mr Swan proposed an amendment and while that was pending the bill was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James C. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Monday, March 3, 1845.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to consider the expediency of passing a law defining the powers and obligations of incorporated plantations was passed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Sanford Manufacturing Company was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves for the promotion of education in unincorporated places on the Pine St. School was read a second time, and one motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Resolves in favor of the town of Burlington (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of William C. Hanson and others)

and

Bills entitled an act to extend the authority of the Kennebec Log Driving Company (reported from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of P Dinwiddie and others) were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures

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Reported Legislation inexpedient on the subject of an order in relation to Manufacturing Corporations approved March 26, 1844. accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of petition of A Finson and others and recommending reference of the same to the Committee of the House on finance was accepted in concurrence.

Order from the Committee on Division and alteration of counties reported leave to withdraw on petition of George Snow and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled an act concerning Juvenile offenders in the City of Portland was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Order from the House directing the Committee on Agriculture to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the marking of heat cattle and sheep was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House requesting the governor to transmit certain information and papers relating to the claims of this State upon the Federal government referred in the House to the joint select Committee who have under consideration the claims

of this State upon the general govern-
ment with instructions to investigate
all matters contained in said order
was on motion of Mr Dunn laid on
the table.

Remonstrance of Amos McRoberts against
the Bangor Boom Corporation was read
and on motion of Mrs Pillsbury laid
on the table.

On motion of Mr Parker ordered that the
committee on the Judiciary be directed
to inquire into the expediency of author-
izing the county commissioners for the
County of Somerset, to assess a tax upon
Township Number three in the second Range
with Ringfield in the County of Franklin
for the purpose of repaving a road in
said township. Sent down for concur-
rence.

Order from the House appointing Messrs.
Barnes of Portland, Brown of Sturtevant, Far-
ley of Newcastle, Parcuport of Philips, Emery
of Sidsford, Andrews of Camden, with such
as the Senate may join a committee
to inquire and report whether it is expedient
to adopt any further and more efficient
methods and provisions of law on a prac-
tical and scientific basis for the regulation,
preservation and increase of the several
river fisheries and coast fisheries within
this State; and whether any further legis-
lation is necessary to secure the beneficial
enjoyment of any franchises or privileges her-

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before granted in such fisheries under careful authority within the State was on motion of Mr Dunn indefinitely postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly by engrossed.

Resolves for the purchase of Greendale Map on motion of Mr Otis the question of giving the same a final passage was taken by yeas and nays and decided in the affirmative as follows

Yeas Messrs Barnett, Chase, Dunn, Holmes, Miller, Monroe, Porter, Rose, Shurtown, Somers, Swan, Townsend, Woods. 12

Nays Messrs Daring, French, Faye, Hastings, Knodtson, Otis, Sargent, Shaw, Stout, Tallman, Warren. 11

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the motion of Mr Faye to reconsider the vote passing to be engrossed Bill entitled an act to abolish the District Court and add additional to the ninth sixth chapter of the Revised Statute, and the question was decided in the affirmative. The bill was amended in Sections A and C and was passed to be engrossed by yeas and nays as follows, to wit,

Yeas Messrs Barnett, Chase, Dunn, Miller, Monroe, Otis, Pillsbury, Rose, Shurtown, Tallman, Townsend, Warren, Woods. 13

Nays Messrs Daring, French, Faye, Hastings, Holmes, Knodtson, Porter, Sargent.

shaw, Smiley, Abbott, Swann
Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr. Sevier from the Joint Select
Committee consisting of the North delegation
to whom was recommended bills entitled
An act to establish the salary of the
Register of Probate for the country of North
reported that the same ought not to
pass. Accepted & sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Wilson,
Secretary.

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The warrant presented to the Governor for his approval.

Resolves for the purchase of Brule's Map.

Petition of Daniel Farnsworth and others for the passage of a law taxing dogs was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Washington A. Vaughan for grant of land for building mills was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Veasey and others praying that an appeal to a jury may be granted from the decisions of the County Commissioners in laying out and establishing roads was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

The following orders were passed in concurrence.

Directing the petition of Rufus A. Sanborn to be taken from the files,

Directing the petition of Isaac Davenport to be taken from the files.

Directing the Committee on State Lands 31st
and State Roads to inquire into the expedi-
ency of passing a law authorizing the
County Commissioners in any County in
this State, to set off and locate the lands
reserved for public uses in all Townships
which have been or may be sold by
this State or Massachusetts; and also
to inquire into the expediency of passing
a law requiring County Commissioners to
collect and pay into the Treasury of the
several Counties to which may be due
for stumpage on said reserved lots.

Directing the Committee on the Judiciary
to inquire into the expediency of amend-
ing the law relating to allowances to
widows of deceased persons.

The order directing all Committees of
this Legislature to report finally on or
before the Eleventh day of March instant
came up, the House insisting on its for-
mer vote. The Senate adhered. Sent
down for concurrence.

The order directing the Committee on
the Judiciary to inquire into the expedi-
ency of providing for a more just and
economical method of making a State
Valuation came up, the House insisting
on its former vote. On motion of Mr
Olin the order was laid on the table.

Order directing the Committee on the
Judiciary to inquire into the expediency

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of taking off the duty of Justice Commissioners in the County of Waldo and all other counties in the State down to the sum of three dollars was refused a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hastings the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act in addition to the sixteenth chapter of the Revised Statute. The question pending being the amendment proposed by Mr Durum on the 28th ultimo was decided in the affirmative. Mr Shurt moved an amendment to strike out all in the bill after the 5th section, and before that was taken, the bill on motion of Mr Rose was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr Shurtware ordered that the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of instructing the Land Agent to sell by auction or otherwise townships numbered three in the fourth Range and three in the fifth range of townships in the County of Franklin. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hastings, ordered that the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the repair of road across the Indian townships in Washington County. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Otis laid on the table the following 319.
order,

Ordered, That the Committee on the State Prison be authorized to visit the State Prison before making their report thereon. On motion of Mr Rose the same was amended on sheet marked 2A and so thus amended passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter one hundred and twenty six of the Revised Statutes (laid on the table by Mr Shubert on leave)

Bill entitled an act to prohibit special warrants (laid on the table by Mr Dunn on leave)

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Harpur Library Association (laid on the table by Mr Otis on leave)

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Town of Waldo (reported from the Committee on incorporation of towns, on petition of Abner Littlefield and another, and)

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Massachusetts Woolen Manufacturing Company (reported from the Committee on Manufactures, in the House, on petition of Charles Greene and others) were serially read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Adjourned.

Wm. B. L. Foster, Secretary.

Wednesday March 5. 1845.

On motion of Mrs Wood the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Remonstrance of Amos McRoberts and the same was on his motion referred to the Committee on Interior Affairs. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Levi Johnson and other inhabitants of Canaan for the passage of a law directing the Treasurer of the County of Somerset to pay out certain sums annually for the support of "Ditely Bridge" was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Troy in relation to Poll taxes was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Charles Earnlin and others against the petition of George Williams and others was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Durn the report of the Committee on Division of towns referring petition of Joseph S. Hackett to the next Legislature (the rule being suspended for that purpose) was reconsidered and the report was

recommended. Sent down for concurrence. 321

Bill entitled an act in relation to Steam Navigation Corporations was read a second time, the amendments on sheets A and B proposed by Mr Otis adopted and the bill on his motion was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr Dunw the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in favor of Elliot G. Taughan. Mr Otis withdrew the amendment he proposed on the first instant. The Resolves was amended on motion of Mr Sherman on sheet annexed marked A. and was passed to be engrossed as thus amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Faye from the committee on the Judiciary reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature on petition of J D Pierce and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled,

An act to incorporate the trustees of Brewster Academy (reported from the committee on Education in the House on Petition of John D Hayes)

An act to establish the Haverhill and Northport Ferry company (reported in the House from the committee on Interior Waters on petition of W F Dodge and others)

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An act authorizing the erection of a wharf in the tide waters in Eastport (reported from the committee on the Judiciary on petition of Lorenzo Saline and Samuel Stevens)

and

Resolve amendatory of a Resolve apportioning one hundred and fifty one Representatives among the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Plantations and Slaves in the State of Maine at the fourth apportionment (passed to be engrossed in the House) were successively read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bills entitled an act additional to chapter one hundred and twenty six of the Revised Statute was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of McDunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves for the promotion of education in the unincorporated places on the River St. John. Mr. Holden moved to strike out the words "fifteen hundred" in the first line of the first Resolve before the word "dollar" and insert in lieu thereof "ten hundred" and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows to wit:

Yeas. Messrs Holmes, Holden, Otis, Smiley & Chas. Messrs Barnard, Chadwick, Darling, Dunn, French, Frye, Hastings, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Rose,

Sargent, Shaw, Sherburne, Swan, Tall. 323
man, Townsend, Warren, Woods. 20.

Mr Otis moved an amendment, to insert after the word "Prostock" in the first Article the words "to be paid out of any surplus revenue money which may have been received into the State Treasury and which has not been distributed or paid out," and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows to wit

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Frye, Knowlton, Otis, Sargent, Smiley, Swan, 7.
Nays Messrs. Barnard, Chadwick, Doring, Dunn, French, Hastings, Holden, Miller, Maurice, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Shaw, Sherburne, Tallman, Townsend, Warren, Woods 18.

The question returned upon passing the Resolves to be engrossed, and that being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, and was decided in the affirmative as follows to wit

Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chadwick, Doring, Dunn, French, Frye, Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Miller, Maurice, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sargent, Shaw, Sherburne, Tallman, Townsend, Warren, Wood. 22.
Nays Messrs. Otis, Smiley, Swan. 3.

Resolve in favor of the town of Burlington was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to prohibit special Warrants was read a second time and on motion of Mr Hastings laid on the table.

Wednesday March 5.

Bill entitled an act to divide the town of Anson and incorporate the town of South Anson (reported from the Committee on Division of Towns to whom it was recommended with instructions to report a statement of facts) was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Harper Library Association

and

An act to incorporate the town of Waldo was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Wiscasset Woolen Manufacturing Company was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to extend the authority of the Kennebec log driving Company was read a second time and on motion of Mr Swan laid on the table.

Mr Collier from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed. Bills entitled;

An act additional respecting the Maine Bank.

An act authorizing the directors of the Naraguagus Company to assess a tax and for other purposes and the same was

passed to be enacted.

Mr Holden from the same Committee also reported as truly and correctly, engrossed a Resolution in favor of Henry C. Carey and others; Asa Dow and others; Isaac P. Smith and others; George P. Tibberson and others; Thomas P. Bailey and others; James Shiskney and others; Benjamin DeBeek and others and Asa P. Carey and others and the same was passed to be enacted.

Adjourned.

James L. Foster

Secretary.

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The Secretary presented to the governor for his approval bills entitled,

An act additional respecting the Maine Bank

An act to authorize the directors of the Narraguagus Company to assess a tax and for other purposes

and

Resolves in favor of Henry C. Hancy and others; Asa Dow and others; George C. Gibbons and others; Thomas P. Perley and others; James Slickney and others; Benjamin DeBeek and others; and Asa C. Harty and others.

Bill intitled an act to divide the town of Anson and incorporate the town of South Anson was amended in its title by striking out the words "South" and inserting the word "north" in lieu thereof. The bill was further amended and passed to be engrossed as amended by yeas and nays as follows to wit,

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Chadwick, Dumas, Frye, Holden, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Pater, Sargent, Shaw, Shubert, Talmann, Townsend, Warren, Wood. 16.

Nays Messrs Dering, Hodges, Knoulton, Melville, Smiley 5.

Bill entitled an act further defining the ³²⁷
duties of Register of Deeds in certain cases
(laid on the table by Mr Holmes on
leave) was referred to the Committee on the
Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceed-
ed to the consideration of bill entitled an
act to prohibit special warrants and
the same was passed to be engrossed
sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act to establish the Skesbrough and
Northport Ferry Company
and

An act to incorporate the Trustees of Brew-
er Academy were severally read a second
time and passed to be engrossed in con-
currence.

Bill entitled an act authorizing the erec-
tion of a wharf in the tide waters of East-
port was read a second time and passed
to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve amendatory of a Resolve apportioning
one hundred and fifty one Representatives a-
mong the several Counties, Cities, Towns, plan-
tations and classes in the State of Maine
at the fourth apportionment was read
a second time and refused a passage.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceed-
ed to the consideration of bill entitled an
act in relation to Steam Navigation Com-

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porations and the same was committed
to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent
down for concurrence.

Adjourned

James C. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Bills entitled:

An act additional to the thirtieth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom it was referred)

An act additional to the one hundred and fifty eighth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to insane persons and poor debtors bonds.)

Ans to incorporate the proprietors of the First New Church Temple (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Jena Keyde and others)

An act additional in relation to allowances to widows (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to amending the law making allowances to widows)

Resolve making an abatement of Taxes on the east half of Township Number Six, eighth Range west from the east line of the State (reported from the Committee on claims on petition of Henry Flagg)

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Resolves for the repair of the State House reported from the Committee in order relative to alteration and repairs of State House, were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Otis from the Committee on claims reported leave to withdraw on petition of Cabman Ford. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Skilling from the Committee on Fisheries reported leave to withdraw on petition of Joshua W Norton. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Otis the Senate reconsidered the vote whereby it refused a passage to the Resolve amendatory of a Resolve apportioning one hundred and fifty one representatives among the several Counties, Cities, Towns, plantations and Tapes in the State of Maine at the fourth apportionment and the same was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hadden, ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Charter of the City of Portland. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Darling, ordered that nine o'clock A.M. be the hour to which the Senate adjourn till otherwise ordered.

Bill entitled an additional act to amend 331
the Revised Statutes (laid on the table by Mr.
Sallman on leave) was referred to the Com-
mittee on the Judiciary. Sent down for con-
currence.

Bills entitled;

An act to extend the time allowed the Pe-
quunkeg Bank to close its concerns (laid on
the table by Mrs Smiley on leave)

An act to incorporate the Lee Normal Acad-
emy (reported from the Committee on Edu-
cation to whom it was committed)

An act to incorporate the Newport Acad-
emy (reported from the Committee on Edu-
cation on petition of Jeremiah Pove and
others

and

Resolved providing for opening and repairing
the State Road from Staushan to Moosehead
lake (reported from the Committee on State
Lands and State Roads on petition of R. S.
O'Sannous and others) were serially read
once and tomorrow signed for a second
reading.

Mr Chase from the Committee on Education
reported leave to withdraw on petition of Ed-
ward Webster and others; and legislation in-
expedient on the petition of Robert H. Gardner
Inhabitants of the town of Lowell. Accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Eli French for a pension was refer-

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to the Committee on Military Pensions.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Shaw the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve in favor of Samuel Smith. Mr Holden that the further consideration of the same be indefinitely postponed and while that question was pending the resolve was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James A. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Met according to adjournment.

Petition of Joseph Howard and others: of Nathaniel Charles and others for the abolition of capital punishment were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered three hundred and fifty copies of bill entitled an act concerning the assessment of taxes (reported by Mr. Allen of Alfred from the Committee on the Judiciary) to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bills entitled:

An act additional to the thirtieth Chapter of the Revised Statutes;

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bath Church Temple,

An act to incorporate the Seaboard Academy;

and

An act to incorporate the Newport Academy were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

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business.

On motion of Mr Swann the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled An act to extend the Tennessee Logging Company and the same was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to extend the time allowed the Niagara Bank to close its concerns was amended as on sheet marked A and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Durin the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve in favor of the town of Burlington and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve providing for opening and retaining the State road from Blanchard to Moosehead Lake (reported from the Committee on bills in the second reading with an amendment which was adopted) was read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act additional in relation to allowances to widows. was read a second time and on motion of Mrs Dunn laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act additional to the one hundred and forty eighth chapter of the Revised Statutes, was read a second time

and on motion of Mrs Tallman laid on 335
the table and ordered to be printed.

Bill entitled an act additional to the twenty seventh Chapter of the Revised Statute (reported from the Committee on Banks and Banking on order referring the Bank commissioners report) was once read and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

Resolve for the repair of the State House was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Mr Dering moved to reconsider the vote passing the Resolve to be engrossed, and on motion of Mrs Edgewood that motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Dering the Senate proceeded to the consideration of an act additional to chapter one hundred and fifty six of the Revised Statute. The Question pending on the adoption of the amendment as on sheet marked A was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Shaw the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled, An act authorizing the town of Mashpee to levy a tax on the owners of dogs. was amended as on sheet A, and indefinitely postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Tallman moved to proceed to the con-

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adoption of an act to incorporate the Portland Steam Packet Company and that question was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit

Yeas Messrs Barrett, Chase, Dunn, Holmes, Hadden, Miller, Pillsbury, Porter, Swan, Tallman. 10

Nays Messrs Barnard, Dering, French, Hastings, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin Townsend. 8.

The question pending being the adoption of the amendment proposed by Mr Otis in the words following to wit "in case of any loss or damage in consequence of the loss of the boat or boats of said corporation the individual liability of said corporation or stockholders shall extend to the value of the boat or boats so lost in addition to any individual liability they may be under at the time of such loss; provided further that if at any time the debts or liabilities of said corporation shall exceed the amount of their capital stock the individual property, rights and credits of each stockholder shall be liable and holden for all the debts and liabilities of said corporation, as for debts contracted by them in their individual capacity" was decided in the negative by yeas and nays as follows to wit

Yeas Messrs Dering, Sargent, Shaw. 3.

Nays Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Beny, Chase, Dunn, French, Frye, Holmes, Hadden, Miller, Pillsbury, Porter, Skillin, Swan, Tallman, Townsend. 16.

The question returned upon passing the bill to be engrossed and that was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit:

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Perry, Chase, Dunn, French, Hastings, Holmes, Holden, Miller, Pillsbury, Porter, Swan, Tallman, Townsend. 15

Nays. Messrs. Deering, Frye, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin. 5

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Tallman the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor Steam Navigation Company. The question pending being the adoption of an amendment proposed by Mr Otis was decided in the negative. The question returned upon passing the bill to be engrossed and that was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit:

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Perry, Chase, Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Holden, Miller, Pillsbury, Porter, Swan, Tallman, Townsend. 14.

Nays. Messrs. Deering, Frye, Sargent, Shaw, Skillin. 5.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Tallman the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act for the incorporation of the Kennebec and Boston Steam Transportation Company and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn ordered that the

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Chairman of the valuation committee be authorized to cause 350 copies of their report to be printed for the use of the Legislature and that the Secretary of the Senate cause a copy of this order to be served on the chairman of that committee.

Resolue making an abatement of taxes on the east half of Township Number six eighth Range west from the east line of the State, was read a second time and on motion of Mrs Pillsbury laid on the table.

Business continued.

On motion of Mr. Tullman the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to incorporate the Eastern Steam Navigation Company, and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James C. L. Porter,

Secretary.

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On motion of Mr Miller the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in favor of Samuel Smith. The questions pending being the motion of Mr Holden to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the same. On motion of Mr French the Resolves were referred to the next Legislature and on his motion it was ordered, that the governor be authorized and requested to appoint an agent to go on to those lands named in the Resolves and statement of facts, and to make a full survey of the timber and make a correct report thereof under oath to the governor, provided said Smith shall pay all expenses of the said survey and report. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves for the promotion of education in the unincorporated places on the River St John came up amended on sheets annexed marked A. B. C. D. & E. and refused a passage. The Senate nonconcurred the House in amendments A. B. C. & E. Adopted the amendment on sheet D, and further nonconcurred the House in refusing the Resolves a passage, and passed the Resolves to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

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Resolve in favor of Charles F. Shear was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Daring the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional in relation to allowances to widows and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Daring the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve in favor of Ashur Martin and others and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Miller the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve making an abatement of taxes on the east half of the township No 6. 8th Range. 1st from the east line of the State and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Miller the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional to the one hundred and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statute. The Senate agreed to the amendment on sheets marked A and B and passed the bill to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Miller the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional to an act, entitled an act addi-

tional to an act in relation to the public lands. The question pending on motion of Mr Frye to postpone the House in the amendment on sheet A was decided in the affirmative. The amendment on sheet marked B was agreed to and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Frye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petitions of Benjamin Barker and others; Samuel Gibson and others, Isaac A Stanley and others, J J Tenney and others, Nathaniel Charles and others, citizens of Fryeburg, and Joseph Howland and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Wood from the Committee on Interior matters reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles Gilman and others. On motion of Mr Duran the report was laid on the table.

Mr Frye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported that the Resolves relating to the reduction of postage ought not to pass. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the seventy seventh chapter of the Revised Statutes was amended on sheet marked A and passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

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Resolve declaratory of law amendments to the Constitution (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on report of Council on returns of vote relative to an amendment of the Constitution)

and

Resolve in favor of Margaret Crafton (reported from the same Committee on her petition) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr Darling the Senate proceeded to the consideration of his motion to reconsider the vote passing to be engrossed,

Resolve for the repair of the State House and the same was decided in the affirmative. The Resolve was then laid on the table.

Petition of G. A. Benson and others in aid of the petition of William D. Frye and others was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Hodder from the Committee on engrossed bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, Resolve in favor of Sylvanus Hatch, and the same was finally passed.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr Shaw on his request, from and after Thursday next.

Adjourned. To U. S. Dist. Court.

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Resolue in favor of the town of Maxfield
laid on the table by Mr Duran on leave
was read twice, the rule being suspended
and passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

Mr Chase from the Committee on Educa-
tion to whom was referred so much of
the governors Message as relates to common
schools made a report accompanied by a
bill entitled an act establishing a board
of Commissioners of common schools. On
motion of Mr Tallman the bill was
laid on the table and two thousand
copies of the same with report was ordered
to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of Daniel Snow and others for the
repeal of the fifty ninth chapter of the re-
vised Statutes,

and

Petition of John Arnold and others in
aid of the petition of J D Rice and others
were severally referred to the Committee
on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Elijah Barrett and others in aid
of the petition of William R Frye and
others was referred to the Committee on

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Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Horace Bennett and others to be set off from Plymouth and annexed to Newport.

and

Petition of Simons Billings to be set off from Plymouth and annexed to Newport were severally referred to the Committee on Divisions of Towns. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Holden the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution in relation to the election of Representatives to the Legislature. Mr Dunn withdrew the motion to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the same. Mr Holden proposed an amendment on sheet marked A which was agreed to and the bill on his motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Rose the Senate proceeded to the further consideration of bill entitled an act in addition to the sixteenth chapter of the Revised Statutes. Mr Shout withdrew the amendment proposed by him, and Mr Rose proposed another on sheet marked A, and while that was pending the bill was laid on the table.

The order relative to the pay of Adjutants came up further amended. The Senate concurred in the amendment, and pas-

ed the order as amended.

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On motion of Mr Daring the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

The question pending being on adopting the amendment proposed by Mr Rose was decided in the affirmative and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act in relation to Steam Navigation Corporations (reported from the Committee on Manufactures to whom it was committed in a new draft)

An act additional to an act incorporating the Bangor Iron Company, approved March 22. 1843 (reported in the House from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Thomas M Moody and others)

An act to establish the Hallowell Ferry Company (laid on the table in the House)

An act to incorporate the town of Land (reported in the House from the Committee on Incorporation of towns on petition of Thomas Lindsey and others)

An act to make valid the doings of the town of Orono (reported in the House from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Selectmen of Orono)

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and,

Resolve authorizing the Land agent to purchase property attached or demands in favor of the State (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Bonds on order relative to the property now under attachment on suits commenced on bonds given to the State by Stephen Tracy) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolve declaratory of an amendment to the Constitution was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Margaret Trafton was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the State House was re-committed to the Committee on Public Buildings with instructions to report what repairs are necessary to be made upon the State House, and an estimate of the cost of the same. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Samuel Smith came up the House having nonconcurred the Senate in its action upon the same. The Senate receded and concurred. On motion of Mr Rose the Resolve was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Holmes, ordered that the

Committee on Claims be instructed to inquire into the Justice and expediency of passing a resolve remunerating Joseph Pollard of Abasardie for his timber taken and used for the construction of the 'Block House' at Fort Fairfield on the Arcootock River during the "Arcootock War" and for other timber lost to him in consequence of the operations of the State Authorities during the boundary troubles in that section of the State. Sent down for concurrence.

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered 550. copies of bill entitled an act additional to the seventy seventh chapter of the Revised Statutes, to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported legislation inexpedient on the subject of an order authorizing County Commissioners to locate and set off lands reserved for public uses: on the subject of an order authorizing by law the Land Agent or County Commissioners to grant permits to cut timber on reserved public lots and also on petition of Peter Philips and others. Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Stoye from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on the subject of an order relative to costs in criminal prosecutions; on the subject of an order relative to amending the law relating to trespasses so far as to exempt surveyors of boundary lines from penalties for going on lands; on the subject of an order authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Somerset to assess on township 18 3 Range 2 North of Kingfield in the County of Franklin for the purpose of repairing a road on said township; and on the subject of an order relative to regulating the fees of the Registers of Deeds; And that bill entitled an act additional

to chapter one hundred and twenty six of the Revised Statutes; and bill intitled an act additional to the 36th chapter of the Revised Statute ought not to pass. Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Foye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw one petition of Robinson Parlin and others; of Joseph Pease and others; of L. S. Farrow and others; and one petition of the town of Swanviller. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Foye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw one petition of Inhabitants of Perry: on motion of Mr Hastings the report was laid on the table.

Mr Miller from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw one petition of R. Butler jr; and one petition of Charles H. Coffin. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads giving leave to withdraw one petition of Samuel Dore was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries directing order of notice to the next Legislature on petition of Benjamin H.

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Wedges and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of towns giving leave to withdraw on petition of William M. Post came up recommended with instructions to report a bill to gather with a statement of facts. The Senate nonconcurred the House and accepted the report. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act in addition to the nineteenth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Henry J. Smith and others) was read a first and second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of altering the third section of the one hundred and twenty second chapter of the Revised Statutes was passed in concurrence.

Petition of Hovea Isaacson and others; of John Nutting and others; of Saunders Luce and others; severally for the repeal of the law giving a bounty to Agricultural Societies was referred to the Committee on retrenchment in concurrence.

Petition of Ezra Hall and others of Waldo County that Justices of the Peace of said County

have concurrent jurisdiction with Town 351
courts or for a repeal of the law establish-
ing the same, was referred to the Committee
on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Giles Lewis and others for repeal
of certain laws in relation to the alvone
fisheries in the town of Bristol was referred
to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph W. Bushing and others to
be incorporated as a manufacturing compa-
ny was referred to the Committee on Manu-
factures in concurrence.

Petition of Wallace Stout and others; Saron
Woodman and others; Samuel Rounds and
others and Moses Griffin and others of the City
of Portland that they may allowed to vote
for all the members of the City Council
from Ward No. 1 in said City were severally
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the improvement of the road from
the Military road to the Mouth of Fish
River came up amended on that mark-
ed B. The Senate concurred in the amend-
ment and passed the bill to be engrossed
as amended in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act
incorporating the Bangor Boom Company
approved March 22d 1843 was read a
second time and passed to be engrossed
as amended by the House in concurrence.

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Bill entitled an act to reestablish the Hallowell Ferry company was read a second time and on motion of Mr Hastings laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act in relation to Steam Navigation was read a second time. Mr. Otis proposed an amendment on sheet marked A, and while that question was pending the bill was laid on the table.

Resolve authorizing an exploration of certain lands claimed in the Resolves and statement of facts reported by the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Samuel Smith (laid on the table by Mr Hastings) was read a first and second time and on motion of Mr Otis the further consideration of the same was indefinitely postponed by yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Bancroft, Berry, Caring, Frye, Holmes, Holden, Keeler, Otis, Sargent, Shurtown, Smiley, Strout, Swan, Tallman, Warren, 16.

Nays Messrs. Dunn, Hastings, Miller, Rose, Skillins, Townsend, Wood 7.

On motion of Mr Otis the Senate proceeded to consideration of Resolves in favor of Samuel Smith and on his motion the further consideration of the same was indefinitely postponed by yeas and nays as follows to wit.

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Bancroft, Berry, Daring,

Inge, Holmes, Ladd, Monro, Otis, Parker 353
Sargent, Shepley, Smiley, Stout, Swan,
Talbot, Warren, 17.
Ways, Mifflin, Dunn, Hastings, Miller,
Skillin, Townsend, Wood, 6.

The following communication from the
governor was read and laid on the
table.

To the Senate and

House of Representatives.

I have received from the Commission-
ers to locate grants and determine the
extent of prepossessory claims under the late
treaty with Great Britain appointed in
pursuance of Resolves of February 21st. 1838
a report of their doings, which is herewith
laid before the Legislature.

The quantity of land set off to
the settlers under grants from the English gov-
ernment amounts to upwards of fifty thou-
sand acres, comprising the most valuable
portion of the lands in the vicinity of the
River St. John, and for the distance of
sixty miles, occupying nearly its entire
front. By a stipulation in the treaty of
Washington, the titles to those lands granted
by the authorities of Great Britain were con-
firmed to the settlers, and it became the
duty of the State of Maine and Massachusetts
to set off to the grantors and then assign
the respective portions so held. An under-
taking to transfer the ownership of this
valuable territory from its rightful pro-
prietors, the government of the United States
would seem to have incurred an equitable

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obligation to indemnify the State of Maine and Massachusetts for the pecuniary sacrifice they were required to make and I would respectfully suggest that an application to Congress for adequate remuneration, be authorized by the Legislature.

The annual report of the Directors of the Boston and Maine Rail Road has been placed in my hands, which I herewith communicate.

I have also received from the Governor of the State of Illinois, certain Resolutions of the Legislature of that State, in response to Resolutions of the State of Massachusetts, concerning certain proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States which are herewith laid before you.

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H. J. Hudson

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the town of ~~Orono~~
and

An act to make valid the doings of the town of Orono were read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to purchase property attached on demands in favor of the State was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled;

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An act making towns liable for certain personal injuries (reported from the committee on the judiciary to whom it was committed)

An act further defining the duties of Register of Deeds in certain cases (reported from the committee on the Judiciary to whom it was committed)

An act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the Revised Statutes (reported from the committee on the Judiciary to whom it was committed)

An act additional regulating the fees of the clerks of the judicial courts (reported from the committee on the Judiciary in order relative to altering the laws regulating the fees of clerks of courts)

An act to prevent the destruction of Moose and Deer (reported from the committee on the Judiciary in order relative to the destruction of Moose and Deer)

An act relating to appeals from County Commissioners (reported from the committee on the Judiciary in order relative to that subject)

An act additional to the one hundred and thirty eighth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the committee on the judiciary in order relative to amending said

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(Chapters) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolve in favor of Henry W. Paine (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of said Paine)

Resolve authorizing and directing the Land Agent to sell at public auction two townships of land in Franklin County (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order relative to that subject)

and

Resolve providing for the repair of the Baring and Houlton road (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order relative to that subject) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Adjourned

James A. L. West,

Secretary.

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Mrs Holden from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed.

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Androscoggin Agricultural Society.

An act to incorporate the trustees of the Brewer Academy.

An act to incorporate the Wessersowet Woollen Manufacturing Company.

An act to establish the Belvidere and Northport Ferry company.

An act altering the time of holding the Spring term of the District Court in the County of Piscataquis and the same were severally passed to be enacted.

Resolc authorizing Ebenezer Hale and wife to sell certain real estate in Deer Isle and the same was finally passed.

Bill entitled an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government came up the house nonconcurred the Senate in the

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amendment on sheet A. The Senate recessed from its vote adopting the amendment and concurred with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed.

Bills entitled;

An act relating to appeals from County Commissioners (reported from the committee on bills in a second reading with an amendment which was agreed to) was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

An act additional regulating the fees of clerks of the Judicial Courts was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

An act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the Revised Statutes was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Resolue authorizing and directing the Land agent to sell at public Auction two townships of land in Franklin County was read a second time and on motion of Mr Shelburne laid on the table.

Bills entitled;

An act further defining the duties of Registers of Deeds in certain cases,

An act making towns liable for certain personal injuries (reported from the Com-

mitted on bills on a second reading 359
with an amendment which was agreed
to)

An act additional to the one hundred
and thirty eighth chapter of the Revised
Statutes,

and

Resolve in favor of Henry W. Paine were
severally read a second time and
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Mr Hadden from the Committee on
engrossed bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed.

Resolve amendatory to a resolve appor-
tioning one hundred and fifty one Rep-
resentatives among the several Counties,
Cities, Towns, plantations and places in
the State of Maine, at the fourth appor-
tionment and the same was finally
passed by yeas and nays as follows
to wit,

Yeas, Messrs Barnard, Berry, Mooroc,
Otis, Rose, Sargent, Shultens, Tallman,
Townsend, Warren, Woods. 11.

Nays, Messrs Banett, Chadwick, Dunn,
Haye, Hastings, Knowlton, Skittini,
Smiley, Swan. 9.

Mr Hadden from the same Committee
also reported as truly and correctly en-
grossed. Resolve in favor of William H
Pope and Samuel W. Pope proprietors

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of township number eighteen, east division in the County of Washington. Mr Otis moved that the further consideration of the same be indefinitely postponed and that question was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit:

Yeas Messrs Caneth, Perry, Dering, French, Holmes, Holden, Knorrton, Mourao, Otis, Sargent, Sherburne, Smiley, Tallman, Warren. 14.

Nays Messrs Barnard, Chaddwick, Dunn, Frye, Hastings, Miller, Rose, Skellin, Swan, Townsend. 10.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Caneth from the Committee on Asan Hospital reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Selectmen of the town of Blanchard. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr Woods from the Committee on Interior Matters reported leave to Withdraw on petition of Charles Maddox and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Resolue providing for the repair of the Daring and Knollton road was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolue in favor Jacob Main reported from the Committee on State Lands and State

Reads on petition of said Maine was read 561
once and tomorrow assigned for a second
reading.

Bill entitled an act to compel the attendance
of witnesses in criminal prosecutions (laid on
the table by Mrs Tallman on leave) was re-
ferred to the Committee on the Judiciary
Shut down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs Swan the Senate proceeded
to the consideration of bill entitled an act
in relation to Steam Navigation Corporations,
the question pending being on the adoption
of the amendment proposed by Mrs Otis,
was decided in the affirmative, and the
bill was passed to be engrossed by yeas and
nays as follows to wit

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Berry, Chad-
wick, Faye, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Saegert,
Skinner, Stout, Swan, Townsend, Warner. 14.
Nays Messrs Dearing, Duran, Hastings,
Edmes, Otis, Smiley 6.

On motion of Mrs Dearing the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Resolves pro-
viding for an amendment of the Consti-
tution in relation to the election of Repre-
sentatives to the Legislature.

The question being on passing the Resolves to
be engrossed and that being required by
the provisions of the Constitution to be taken
by yeas and nays, was decided in the
affirmative by two thirds of the Senate voting
in the affirmative thereof as follows, to wit
Yeas Messrs Barnard, Barnett, Berry, Chad-

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Wish, Dering, Holmes, Holden, Knoulton,
Willis, Monroe, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sar-
gent, Shurtown, Skillin, Smiley, Swan, Tall-
man, Ware, Woods.

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May, Myers Dunn, French, Frye, Hastings,
Otis, Strout, Townsend.

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Bill entitled an act additional to Chap-
ter eighty second of the Revised Statute
(laid on the table by Mr Holmes on leave)
was referred to the Committee on Agricul-
ture. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hastings the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of bill entitled
an act to reestablish the Scalloway Ferry
Company, and the same was passed
to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dering the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of report of the
Committee on Division of Towns, giving
leave to withdraw on petition of Rich-
ard Morse and others, and the same was
accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of M Haines (reported
from the Committee on State Lands
and State Roads in the House on peti-
tion of said Haines) was read once and
tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr Swan the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of bill entitled
an act in addition to the sixteenth chap-

ter of the Revised Statute, Mr Rose withdrew 363
the amendment proposed by him and on
motion of Mr Swan the bill was amended
as on sheets annexed marked A. B. C. D. E.
F and G. On motion of Mr Shubert the bill
was laid on the table.

Mr Holden from the Committee on
engrossed bills, reported as truly and cor-
rectly engrossed Resolve in favor of Joseph
Williamson, and the same was refused
a final passage. Mr Shubert moved
a reconsideration of the vote refusing the
Resolve a passage and before that question
was taken, the Resolve and motion was
laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to prevent the
destruction of Moose and Deer was read
a second time and on motion of Mr
Porter laid on the table.

Adjourned.

Jas S. Foster,

Secretary.

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The Secretary presented to the governor
for his approval.

Bills introduced.

An act to incorporate the Androscoggin
Agricultural Society.

An act to establish the Islesborough and
Northport Ferry Company.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the
Dunsmuir Academy.

An act to incorporate the Wassenaer
Woolen Manufacturing Company.

An act altering the time of holding the
spring term of the District Court in the
County of Piscataquis.

Resolve authorizing Ebenezer Hale and wife
to sell certain real estate in Deer Isle.

Resolve amendatory to a resolve apportion-
ing one hundred and fifty one Representa-
tives among the several Counties, Cities,
Towns, Plantations and Claps in the State
of Maine at the fourth apportionment,
and

Resolve in favor of Sylvanus Hatch,

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Literary Union of Lewiston Falls Academy laid on the table by Mr Dunn on leave was read twice the rule being suspended and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of S D Rice and others for compensation for injuries to salmon fishery in Kennebec river occasioned by the erection of the Kennebec Dam was referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolution in favor of Mr Cairns was read a second time and amended on sheets marked A & B and passed to be engrossed as amended by yeas and nays as follows to wit

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Berry, Chadwick, Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sheddine, Smiley, Street, Swan, Wallman, and Trumbull. 18.

Nays Messrs Daring, Faye, Knoulton, Wils, Sargent, Skillin, Warren. 7.

On motion of Mr Sheddine, ordered that the message of the Governor, communicating the report of the commissioners to locate grants and determine the extent of possessory claims under the late Treaty with Great Britain appointed in pursuance of Resolves of February 21 1843 together with the report be referred to the joint select committee having under consideration the corn-

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muneration of the governor upon the subject of mediation of said Treaty.

Bill entitled an act to divide the town of Anson and incorporate the town of North Anson came up referred to the next Legislature. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

An act to establish a Registry of Deeds and one term yearly of the Court of Probate in the northern district of the County of New York. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Chastbourn for a pension was referred to the Committee on Military Pensions in concurrence.

Resolue in favor of Lee Normal Academy was referred to the Committee on education in concurrence.

An act to incorporate the Minto Piscataquis Bridge company (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges as Petition of P. P. Fuder and others)

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Dorcy and Elliot Bridge reported by the same Committee on petition of James Goodwin and others)

An act extending the remedy on executions against corporations (reported in the House from

the Committee on the Judiciary order rel-³⁶⁴
ative to extending by law, the remedy on execu-
tions against corporations)

Resolve in favor of the towns of Lanaan and
Pittsfield reported from the Committee on rail-
roads and bridges on petition of Levi Johnson
and others)

Resolve in favor of George Bartelle (reported in
the House from the Committee on Military
Pensions on petition of said Bartelle) were sever-
ally read once and tomorrow assigned for a
second reading)

Report in favor of Sacot Maine was read a
second time and laid on the table.

On motion of Mrs Otis the Senate proceeded to
the consideration of bill entitled an act addi-
tional regulating the fees of Clerks of the Judicial
Courts and the same was passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Hastings from the Committee on Military
Pensions, reported leave to withdraw on petition
of Eli French. Accepted and sent down for
concurrence.

On motion of Mr Shurtune the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an
act in addition to the sixteenth chapter
of the revised statute: On his motion the
amendment on shut C. was amended, the rule
being suspended for that purpose, and on
motion of Mr Hastings the bill was recom-

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milled. Mr Tallman moved to reconsider the vote recommending the bill, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, was decided in the affirmative as follows to wit;

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Parrett, Perry, Chadwick, Daring, Dunn, Holmes, Holden, Knowlton, Otis, Pillsbury, Sargent, Skilkin, Skout, Tallman, Warren Wood, 17.

Nays Messrs French, Frye, Hastings, Miller, Monroe, Porter, Rose, Shepley, Swan, Townsend, 11.

Mr Tallman moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows to wit.

Yeas Messrs Chadwick, Daring, Dunn, Holden, Knowlton, Pillsbury, Sargent Skilkin, Skout, Tallman, Warren, 12.

Nays Messrs Barnard, Parrett, Perry, French, Frye, Hastings, Miller, Monroe, Porter, Rose, Shepley, Swan, Townsend, Wood, 11.

Mr Daring moved as an amendment to strike out of the bill all after the fifth section, and before that was decided the bill on motion of Mr Holden laid on the table.

Mr Holden from the Committee on engrossed

bills reported as correctly and truly engrossed 369.
bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Hesper Library Association and the same was passed to be enacted.

Mr Knoulton from the same committee also reported as correctly and truly engrossed Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the town of Waldo.

An act to extend the authority of the Kennebec Log Driving Company.

An act additional to the one hundred and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statutes.

An act authorizing the erection of a wharf in the tide waters of Eastport, and the same were passed to be enacted.

Mr Knoulton also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

Resolves in favor of Elliot S. Taughan and the same was finally passed.

Resolve in favor of William H. Pope and Samuel W. Pope (laid on the table by Mr Otis) was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Adjourned.

James A. L. Foster Secretary

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The Secretary presented to the governor
for his approval bills entitled,

An act to extend the authority of the
Hiram's Log Driving company

An act to incorporate the Harper
Library Association,

An act additional to an act to incor-
porate the Sanford Manufacturing Com-
pany

An act authorizing the erection of a
wharf in tide waters of Eastport,

An act additional to the one hundred
and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statute

An act to incorporate the town of Waldo,
And

Resolve in favor of Elliot S. Vaughan,

Petition of Town of Harpswell for separate
representation was referred to the com-
mittee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Sylvanus Kelly Jr and others
praying to have the State tax for the year

1843, 1844. abated from the town of Mayfield ³⁷¹
was referred to the Committee on claims
in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of the town of Uxalis that
each school District in said town may be
authorized to choose a superintending school
committee was referred to the Committee on
Education in concurrence.

Petition of Alfred J. Stone and others in aid
of the Petition of George Williston was referred
to the Committee on Military pensions in
concurrence.

Petition of E. Weston was referred to the Com-
mittee on education in concurrence.

Mrs. Skillin from the Committee on fisheries
reported reference to the next Legislature on
petition of Giles Lewis and others. Accepted
and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs. Shudurne the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of the motion
to reconsider the vote refusing the Resolves
in favor of Joseph Willardson a passage
and that was decided in the affirmative
and the Resolve was finally passed.

Bill entitled an act concerning the assig-
ment of taxes came up recommitted. The
Senate recommitted the same in concurrence.

Order giving Oakman Ford leave to take
his petition from the files of the Legislature

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was on motion of Mr Dunn laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Abachiasport and East Machias Toll bridge company came up amended on sheets annexed marked P.H. The Senate recessed from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and concurred in the amendments and on motion of Mr Otis the bill was laid on the table.

Order from the House directing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of making alteration of Section 2. Chapter 89. of the Revised Statute was passed in concurrence.

Report of the committee on Exterior Waters giving leave to withdraw one petition of ^{Orin} ~~Orin~~ Low and others was accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of the annual School fund (laid on the table in the house) was read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Dore and Elliot Bridge (reported from the committee on bills on a second reading with an amendment which was adopted) and on motion of Mr Dunn laid on the table.

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered to be printed bill entitled an act in relation to Steam Navigation Corporations.

On motion of Mr Porter the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act to prevent the destruction of Moose and Deer and the same on his motion was indefinitely postponed. Sent down for announcement.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled An Act relating to appeals from County Commissioners. He proposed an amendment on that marked B and before the question was taken on adopting it, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr Holden from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

Bills entitled;

An act to prohibit special Warrants.

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Park New Church Temple.

An act additional to an act to incorporate the Sanford Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Lee Normal Academy.

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An act additional to the thirtieth Chapter of the Revised Statute,

An act to incorporate the Newport Academy and the same were passed to be enacted.

Mr. Holden from the same Committee also reported as correctly and truly engrossed bill entitled an act, additional to an act entitled an act in relation to the public lands and on motion of Mr. Otis the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Sherburne the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve authorizing and directing the land agent to sell at public auction the townships of land in Franklin County. He proposed an amendment on sheet marked A and before the question on adopting it was taken the Resolve on his motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Judiciary giving leave to withdraw one petition of inhabitants of the town of Perry and the same was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the Revised Statute and the same was passed to be engrossed, Sent down for

concurrence.

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Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Mile, Piscataquis Bridge Company was
read a second time and passed to be
engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act extending the remedy
on executions against corporations was
passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Town of Canaan
and Pittsfield was read a second time
and passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of William H. Pope and
Samuel W. Pope was read a second time
and passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Miller the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Resolve in
favor of Jacob Main and the same was
amended as on sheet marked A. and
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act authorizing the town of Augusta
to raise and assess a tax for certain pur-
poses reported from the Committee on the
Judiciary on petition of J. D. Pierce and
others)

An act to authorize guardians and other

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persons having the care of or holding real estate in trust to cause the same to be insured (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to the subject)

An act authorizing the location of a town road over tide-waters in Augusta (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of George Williams and others)

An act to incorporate the Callowell Steam Navigation Company (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of James Skutumpah and others)

An act repealing the fifty ninth chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Daniel Snow and others)

and

Resolve in favor of Southwood Sibley and C. B. Sibley and Oliver Prescott (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State roads on petition of S. C. B. Sibley)

Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital (reported from the Committee on the Insane Hospital on order referring the report of Trustees, Superintendent and Steward of the Insane Hospital) were perused and read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

Resolve in favor of George Sawtelle was

read a second time and passed ^{3rd 27}
to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of
lands referring petition of Samuel Pomeroy
others; of Hugh Shurley and others to the
next legislature and giving leave to with-
draw on petition of Isaac Burns and
others were severally accepted in con-
currence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Matrs
giving leave to withdraw on petition
of Timothy M. Brown others was on
motion of Mr. Blair laid on the table

Adjourned,

James O. L. Foster Secretary.

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Order from the House directing the Committee on Fisheries to inquire into the expediency of passing an act additional to the fifty fourth chapter of the Revised Statute to allow inspections of fish to paint as well as brand their inspection was passed in concurrence.

Mrs Deering from the Committee on Division of Counties reported a decree of notice returnable to the next Legislature on petition of John Stockbridge and others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the town of Marfield came up amended on which Master A. The Senate recessed from its vote passing the Resolve to be engrossed, adopted the amendment and passed the Resolve to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Hallowell Steam Navigation Company was read a second time and on motion of Mr Swan laid on the table.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of the annual school fund was read a second time and on motion of Mr

When the Resolve was laid on the table. 379

Bill entitled an act repealing the fifty ninth Chapter of the Revised Statutes was read a second time, and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital was read a second time and on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Southwood Sibley, E. P. Sibley and Oliver Prescott was read a second time and on motion of Mr Barrett laid on the table.

Bills entitled;

An act making further provisions to contract for the keeping the poor in the several towns in the State (reported in the House from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom it was committed);

An act additional to an act to set off a part of the town of New Vineyard and annex the same to the town of Industry laid on the table by Mr Sherman.

An act to incorporate the Seawport Cotton and Woollen Manufacturing Company (reported in the House from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Hazeltine and others)

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Resolve in aid of the erection of two bridges at Orson Island, County of Penobscot (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State roads on petition of Gideon Newton and others, William Frost and others, & P. Price and others) and

Bill entitled an act for the protection of certain roads (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State roads on petition of John H. Reed and others) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dunn ordered that the Committee on claims consider and allow (if just) the account of Joel Wellington here to annexed, to wit,

State of Maine

To Joel Wellington Dr.	
October 1839. To 7623 feet of three inch planks furnished Charles Jarvis, agent for the State, to cover the bridge built for the State by said Jarvis over the Meduxnekeg Stream at \$18. per thousand feet.	\$137.21
at cost and timber furnished for said bridge	12.00
To 660 feet of Boards to put upon the railing of said bridge at \$7. per thousand	4.62
	\$153.83

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act authorizing the town of Augusta to raise and assess a tax for certain purposes.

An act authorizing the location of a road over tide waters in Augusta
and

An act to authorize Guardians and other persons having the care of, or holding real estate in trust to cause the same to be insured were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves providing for opening and repairing the State road from Blanchard to Moosehead Lake came up amended on sheet marked B. The Senate receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, agreed to the amendment, and passed the same to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of.

Bill entitled;

An act relating to appeals from County Commissioners. The amendment proposed by Mr Dunn on the 15th Instant was agreed to, and the bill on motion of Mr Shurtleff laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Houlton Bridge reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of William S Lee and

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others) was read once and remon-
strated for a second reading.

Adjourned.

James C. L. Baker

Secretary.

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Order from the directing the joint auditing Committees of this Legislature to report finally on all subjects referred to them on or before Thursday next was passed in concurrence.

Petition of William Emerson and others of Bangor praying that the levying of money or assessment of taxes for extraordinary expenditures in that City, may be referred to the decision of the inhabitants by their votes in the several wards was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of James Goff Jr and others in aid of the petition of William R Foye and others, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Eliphalet Watson to be relieved from a certain Bond, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State roads in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the North Portland Manufacturing Company was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

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Resolue authorizing the Treasurer to receive from the government of the United States certain monies which may be now due to this State or that may hereafter become due was read over and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

The Secretary presented to the governor for his approval.

Bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the Lee Normal Academy.

An act additional to an act to incorporate the Sanford Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bath New Church Temple.

An act to prohibit special warrants.

An act additional to the Thirtieth Chapter of the Revised Statutes.

An act to incorporate the Newport Academy.

and

Resolue in favor of Joseph Williamson.

Mr. Holden from the committee on engrossed bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed.

Bills entitled;

An act to establish the Halliwell Ferry.

An act to incorporate the town of Carroll.

An act to incorporate the Literary Union of Leavenworth Falls Academy.

An act additional to chapters one hundred and fifty six of the Revised Statutes.

An act to extend the time allowed the Mechanics Bank to close its accounts.

An act additional in relation to allowances to widows.

An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government and the same are proposed to be enacted.

Mr Holden from the same Committee also reported as duly and correctly engrossed Bills entitled;

An act to divide the town of Anson and incorporate the Town of North Anson, and the question on passing the bill to be enacted was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to wit.

Yeas Messrs Chase, Chadwick, Torrey, Holden, Monroe, Pillsbury, Porter, Ross, Sargent, Sherman, Tallman, Townsend, Warner, Wood.

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Nays Messrs. Dering, Dunn, Holmes, Osborn, Skillew, Smiley, Stout

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Mr Holden from the same committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed.

Bill entitled

An act to make valid the doings of the town of Orono, and the question of passing the bill to be enacted was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follows to-wit:

Yeas Messrs Barrett, Chase, Deering, Frye, Holmes, Pillsbury, Potter, Rose, Sargent, Sherrill, Skillin, Smiley, Strout, Tallman, Townsend, Warner, Wood	16.
Nays Messrs Dunn, Swan	2.

Mr Holden from the same committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed.

Resolve for the improvement of the Road from the Military Road to the mouth of Fish River and the same was finally passed.

Resolve in aid of the erection of two Bridges at Orono Island, County of Penobscot was read a second time and our motion of Mr Swan laid on the table.

Our motion of Mr Swan the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act relating to appeals from County Commissioners. Mr Swan moved to reconsider the vote whereby it agreed to the amendment on Sheet marked B and while that was pending the bill was

On motion of Mr Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in favor of Southwood Sibley, E. P. Sibley and Oliver Prescott. The Resolves was amended as on sheet A and on Mr Otis the further consideration of the same was indefinitely postponed by yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Chase, Dearing, French, Frye, Holden, Knowlton, Moore, Otis, Fiske, Shulman, Skillin, Stout, Swan, Tallman, Townsend, Warren, Wood, 18.

Nays. Messrs. Chadwick, Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Miller, Sargent, Smiley, 7.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled:

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Houlton Bridge reported from the Committee on bills in a second reading with an amendment on sheet printed A) was read a second time and passed to be engrossed: Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled:

An act for the protection of certain roads was amended on sheet A and passed to be engrossed as amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled:

An act to incorporate the Seaside Cotton and Woollen Manufacturing Company
and

An act making further provisions to contract for the keeping of the poor in the

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several towns in the State were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act to set off a part of the town of New Vineyard and annex the same to the town of Andover was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Ohio Manufacturing Company reported from the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Joseph W. Cushing and others

and

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter fourth of the Revised Statute reported from the Committee on the Library in a new draft were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Banett ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire in the expediency of amending the law in relation to the duties of town clerks and clerks of school districts. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled an act in addition to the sixteenth chapter of the Revised Statutes, The question

pending) being on adopting the amended 388
motion proposed by Mr Dering to strike
out of the bill all after the fifth section,
and being ordered to be taken by yeas
and nays was decided in the negative
as follows

Yeas Messrs Dering, Holmes, Hadden,
Knoulton, Otis, Sargent, Smiley, Strout,
Fallman, Warner, 10.

Nays Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Chase,
Dunn, French, Frye, Hastings, Milled,
Monroe, Porter, Rose, Skillin, Swan,
Townsend, Woods, 15.

The question returned upon passing the
bill to be engrossed and that being or-
dered to be taken by yeas and nays
was decided in the affirmative as follows
to wit

Yeas Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Chase,
French, Frye, Hastings, Milled, Mon-
roe, Porter, Rose, Swan, Townsend, and
Woods, 13.

Nays Messrs Dering, Holmes, Hadden,
Knoulton, Otis, Sargent, Skillin, Smi-
ley, Strout, Fallman, Warner, 11.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Petition of Francis Holden for compensation for services in 1839 was referred to the Committee on claims. Sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary presented to the governor for his approval.

Bills entitled;

An act to extend the time allowed the Reguering Bank to close its concerns

An act to ~~re~~establish the Hallowell Ferry Company

An act to make valid the doings of the town of Orono.

An act additional in relation to allowances to widows

An act additional to chapter one hundred and fifty six of the Revised Statutes

An act to incorporate the Literary Union of Lewiston Falls Academy

An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

An act to divide the town of Anson
and incorporate the town of North An-
son.

An act to incorporate the town of Car-
roll

and

Resolve for the improvement of the road
from the Military road to the mouth
of Rich River

Petition of Ammi West and others
and

Memorial of James Soule and others
a committee of the town of Lewiston in
aid of the petition of William R. Frye and
others, were referred to the committee on
Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Mr Holmes from the committee on Ag-
riculture reported Legislation inexpedient
on the subject of an order relative to
the setting fire for the purpose of clearing
land; on subject of another order rela-
tive to same matter; and leave to with-
draw on petition of Daniel Farnsworth
and others. Severally accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

Mr Skillin from the committee on fish-
eries reported legislation inexpedient on the
subject of an order relative to the fifty fourth
chapter of the Revised Statute, and reference
to the next Legislature on petition of Select-
men and others of the town of Friendship.
Severally accepted and sent down for

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concurrency.

Mr Frye from the Committee on the Judiciary reported reference to the next Legislature of bill entitled. An Act concerning Highways and Drains for mills and other improvements. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Petitioners referring the petition of Thomas Day and others to the next Legislature was accepted in concurrence.

Mr Frye moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate passed the order directing the Committee of this Legislature to report finally on all subjects referred to them on or before Thursday next.

On motion of Mr Dunn the question was taken by yeas and nays and the same was decided in the affirmative as follows to wit.

Yea Messrs Barnard, Banett, Perry, Chase, French, Frye, Hastings, Holmes, Holden, Knoutton, Miller, Monroe, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Rice, Sargent, Shurtown, Skillin, Smiley, Thout, Swan, Tallman, Townsend, Wood, Sh. Nays Messrs. Chadwick, Darling, Dunn, Waneu. 4.

The order was laid on the table.

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered 350 copies of

bill entitled "An act making towns liable for certain personal injuries, for the use of the Legislature."

Bill entitled an act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the tide waters of Little River in the town of Perry (reported from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on petition of John H. Tuttle)

Bill entitled an act of amendment to an act in addition to an act to incorporate the City of Portland (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Aaron Woodman and others, of Wallace Strout and others, of Moses Hiffie and others, of Samuel Pounds and others)

Bill entitled an act to compel the attendance of witnesses in criminal prosecutions (reported from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom it was committed)

Resolve additional concerning certain early records of the Province of Maine (laid on the table in the House)

and

Resolve authorizing a grant of land to the heirs of Joseph Sawyford a revolutionary Soldier (laid on the table in the House)

Bill entitled an act additional to chapter eighty second of the Revised Statute (reported from the Committee on Agriculture to whom it was committed) new

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usually read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolves for the pay of Committee on Valuation (Laid on the table by Mr. Dunn) was read twice the rule being suspended, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act establishing a board of Commissioners of common schools (reported from the Committee on education) was read once and Friday next assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Daring the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act repealing the fifty ninth chapter of Revised Statute, and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Dover and Elliot Bridge and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Mills Manufacturing Company was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act in addition to

the act entitled an act to incorporate 394
the City of Bangor was read twice
the rule being suspended and passed
to be engrossed. Sent down for concu-
rence.

Mr Dunn presented the report of the Com-
mittee on the Valuation and the same
was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act additional to chap-
ter fourth of the Revised Statutes, was read
a second time and passed to be engrossed.
On motion of Mr Rose the Vote pass-
ing the bill to be engrossed was reconsid-
ered. He then offered an amendment on
sheet marked H and before the question
on agreeing to the same was taken the
bill was twice on the table.

On motion of Mr Pillsbury the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Bill entitled
an act to incorporate the Machiasport
and East Machias Toll Bridge Company, the
question pending being on passing the bill
to be engrossed. Mr Otis moved to refer
the bill to the next Legislature and that
being ordered to be taken by yeas and
nays, was decided in the negative as follows
Yeas, Messrs Denning, Holmes, Otis, Spruce, Swan. 5.
Nays Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Berry,
Chase, Chadwick, French, Frye, Hast-
ings, Holden, Morse, Pillsbury, Porter,
Rose, Sherman, Tallman, Wood. 16.

The question returned upon passing the
bill to be engrossed and that was deci-

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ded in the affirmative.

Bill entitled an act additional to the Seventy Seventh Chapter of the Revised Statutes came up recommitted. The Senate recommitted the same in concurrence.

Resolue authorizing the treasury to receive from the general government of the United States certain moneys which may now be credited to this State or that may hereafter become due which is in the words following to wit "Resolved that the treasury of this State be and he is authorized to receive from the government of the United States any and all moneys which have been accredited to this State under the act of the United States distributing the proceeds of the public lands among the several States; which sums of money by said act were wrongfully divided without the consent of this State, and protesting against said division in the reception of the money aforesaid, as not only in opposition to the spirit of the Constitution, but subversive also of the best interest of the general government; and also to receive any and all other sums that are now or may become due to this State from any other sources, and to make and execute in behalf of this State proper receipts or discharges for the same" was

had a second time, and the question was upon passing the Resolves to be engrossed.

Mr Holmes demanded that the question be divided, so that the vote shall be first taken on that part of the Resolve which is in the words following to wit Resolved that the Treasurer of the State be and hereby is authorized to receive from the government of the United States any and all sums of money which have been accredited to this State under the act of the United States distributing the proceeds of the sales of the public lands among the several States; And that it be further divided so that the vote shall next be taken upon the following portion of the Resolve in the words following to wit "which sums of money, by said act were wrongfully diverted without the consent of this State, and protesting against said diversion in the reception of the money aforesaid as not only in opposition to the spirit of the Constitution but subversive also of the best interests of the general government."

The President decided that the question was indivisible.

Mr. Holmes appealed from the decision of the chair to the judgment of the Senate.

The President stated the question to be "Shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the Senate?" and then

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was decided in the affirmative so the question of passing the residue to be engrossed was not divided.

Mr. Chase proposed an amendment to strike out all after the word "resolved" and insert the following words: "That the treasurer of this state be and hereby is authorized to receive from the government of the United States any and all sums of money which have been accredited to this state under an act of the United States entitled "an act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands and to grant pre-emption rights" passed September 4. 1841".

"Resolved that any sums of money that may be received under the foregoing resolve shall be received on deposit by the state, and the faith of the state is hereby pledged for the safe keeping of the same, and the repayment thereof whenever the money divided under the act aforesaid shall be required by the federal government.

"Resolved that the treasurer of this state is hereby directed to fund the money received under the foregoing resolve upon the best terms and conditions possible and the income from said fund shall be appropriated for the benefit of common schools."

And the question of agreeing to the same being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, was decided in the affirmative

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Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barret, Berry,
Chase, Chadwick, Deering, Hastings,
Holmes, Olis, Porter, Shuburne, Skittin
Smiley, Swan, Wood - - - 15.
Nays. Messrs. Dunn, Faye, Holden
Knockton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury
Rose, Hunt, Sargeant, Tallman,
Townsend, Warren - - - 13.

Mr. Pillsbury moved that the further
consideration of the resolve be now
definitely postponed, and that being
ordered to be taken by yeas and
nays was decided in the affirmative
as follows to wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Santh. Dunn,
Faye, Hastings, Holden, Miller
Monroe, Olis, Pillsbury, Rose, Skittin
Hunt, Tallman, Townsend - - - 15.
Nays. Messrs. Barry, Chase, Chadwick,
Deering, Holmes, Knockton, Porter,
Sargeant, Shuburne, Smiley, Swan,
Warren, Wood, - - - 13.

Adjourned.

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Secretary.

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Resolve in favor of Joel Wellington (reported from the committee on claims on order relative to the claim of said Wellington) was read twice, the rule being suspended, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deann the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act relating to appeals from County Commissioners. Mr. Sears withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote adopting the amendment on sheet marked B. The bill was further amended as on sheet marked C. and passed to be engrossed as thus amended. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Charles Crocker and William D. Crocker (reported in the House from the committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of said Crockers) came up amended on sheet marked A. and the further consideration of the same

indefinitely postponed. On motion 409
of Mr. Tallman the Resolved was laid
on the table.

Mr. Shurburne from the committee on
claims reported leave to withdraw
on petition of Sylvanus Kelly & others
and on petition of Francis Holdens.
Severally accepted and sent down
for concurrence.

Mr. Mider from the committee on
State Lands & State Roads reported leave
to withdraw on petition of John
Phillips & others; of Nathaniel Ticekell;
and of Lacey Fine & others; John T. Hunter
& others; and citizens of Piscataquis. Sever-
ally accepted and sent down for con-
currence.

Mr. Holdens from the committee on
Engrossed bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed like entitled.

An Act in addition to the nineteenth
chapter of the Revised Statutes, and the
same was passed to be enacted and
presented, by the Secretary to the gov-
ernor for his approval.

Mr. Holdens also reported as correctly
and truly engrossed.

Resolved in favor of J. W. Haines
and

Business for the day of the Thursday March 20.
 Resolves for the pay of the committee on valuations and the same were finally passed and presented by the Secretary to the governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. Denny the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional to the one hundred and forty eighth Chapter of the Revised Statutes. Mr. Denny moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed Mr. Sherburne proposed an amendment on sheet marked A. and while that was pending the bill was laid on the table.

Resolved in favor of Joseph Pollard (reports from the committee on claims on order relative to remunerating said Pollard for his timber used in the construction of block houses at Fort Fairfield)

Resolved in favor of Washington A. Vaughan (reports from the committee on State Lands and State Roads on his petition)

Resolved in favor of James C. L. Foster (reports from the committee on claims on his petition)

Resolved in favor of the town of Enfield (reports from the committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Nathaniel Webster & others)

1845. Resolved in favor of Franklin Green & Co.
others, reported from the Committee on
State Lands and State Roads on petition
of said Green & Co.

and

Bills entitled An act to incorporate the
Togus Mineral Spring Company, laid
on the table in the House, were severally
read once and tomorrow assigned for
a second reading.

Mr. Barre moved to reconsider the
vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed
the further consideration of Resolves
authorizing the Treasurer to receive from
the government of the United States
certain moneys which may be now
credited to this State, or that may
hereafter become due, and that ques-
tion being ordered to be taken by yeas
and nays was decided in the affirmative
as follows to wit,

Yeas. Messrs. Bainard, Berry, Chase,
Chasewick, Deering, French, Holmes,
Knowlton, Potter, Sarzant, Sherburne,
Skillin, Smiley, Stark, Swan, Townsend,
Wood, Warren ————— 18.

Nays. Messrs. Dunn, Frazz, Hastings,
Miller, Munroe, Orr, Pillsbury, Rose,
Tallman ————— 9.

The question returned upon passing the
Resolves to be engrossed and that being
ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was
decided in the affirmative as follows to wit:

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Messrs. Messrs. Barnard, Berry Chase,
Chadwick, Deering, French, Holmes,
Kneeland, Porter, Sargent, Sherburne,
Smiley, Swan, Townsend, Warren and
Wood - 16.

Messrs. Messrs. Barrett, Burn, Fayer,
Hastings, Holden, Miller, Munroe,
Oli, Pillsbury, Ross, Stillins, Talmann - 13.

Bills entitled:

An act authorizing the erection of a
bridge over the tide waters of Little River
in the town of Pown.

An act additional to Chapter eighty
second of the Revised Statutes

An act to compel the attendance of
witnesses in criminal prosecutions

and

An act of amendment to an act
to incorporate the City of Portland were
separately read a second time and passed
to be engrossed. Sent down for con-
currence.

Resolved authorizing a grant of land
to the heirs of Joseph Sampson a revo-
lutionary soldier

Resolved additional to certain early
records of the Province of Maine

and

Bill entitled an act to change the

165. name of certain persons were severally 104
read a second time and passed to be
engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Holmes from the committee on en-
grossed bills reported as truly and cor-
rectly engrossed, bills entitled,

An act additional to an act in-
corporating the Bangor iron company,
approved March 22. 1843.

An act extending the remedy on ex-
ecutions against corporations.

and

An act further defining the duties
of Registers of deeds in certain cases
and the same were severally passed
to be enacted.

Mr. Holmes from the same com-
mittee also reports as correctly and
truly engrossed.

Resolved making an abatement of
taxes on the east half of township
number six, eighth range west from
the east line of the State.

Resolved providing for opening and repair-
ing the state road from Blanchard to Miller
heat lakes.

Resolved in favor of the town of Maxfield.

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Resolves providing for the repair of the
Barrage and Houston road.

Resolved in favor of Ashur Martin and
others.

Resolved in favor of Henry W. Paine.

Resolves authorizing the land agent
to purchase property attached on de-
mands in favor of the State and
they were severally finally passed.

Adjourned.

James O. L. Foster,
Secretary.

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Bill entitled,

An act to prevent obstructions in the Saint Croix river (laid on the table in the House) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Swinal and others for a law to regulate the fees for surveying lumber in the County of Penobscot was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act concerning Juvenile offenders in the city of Portland reported in the House from the Committee on the Judiciary to show it was referred.

Resolved laying a tax on the several Counties in this State (reported in the House from the Committee on County Estimates)

Resolved in favor of Daniel Roberts reported in the House from the Committee on State Lands & the Madison petition of said Roberts/

and

Bill entitled an act regulating the Sale

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of intoxicating liquors, (reported in the House from a select committee), were severally read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Sumner the Senate proceeded to the consideration of giving Oakman Ford leave to take his petition from the files and the same was passed.

Resolved in favor of Washington A. Vaughan was read a second time, and on motion of Mrs. Olis laid on the table.

Resolved in favor of the town of Enfield was read a second time. Mr. Swan moved that it be referred to the next legislature, but before that question was decided, the resolve on motion of Mr. Rose was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Sumner the Senate proceeded to the consideration of an act additional to the one hundred and forty eighth chapter of the Revised Statutes. The amendment proposed yesterday by Mr. Sherburne was agreed to. The bill was further amended as in sheet marked B. The question returned upon the motion of Mr. Sumner to indefinitely postpone the further consideration

W.H.S. of the bill, and that question being 408
ordered to be taken by yeas and
nays was decided in the affirmative
as follows, to-wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Chase, Chadwick,
Deering, Dunn, French, Hastings,
Holmes, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe,
Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Sargeant,
Smiley, Stark, Tammam, Townsend,
Warren - - - - - 20.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Berry, Frye,
Holden, Sherburne, Swan, Wood - 7.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
the Togos Mineral Spring Company
was read a second time, and the
further consideration of the same
indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Holmes ordered
that the petition of Pamela Wood
for a pension be taken from the files
and submitted to the governor & Coun-
cil in accordance with the vote of
the committee on military pensions
to whom a petition had been referred.

Mr. Barrett from the committee on
the insane hospital to whom was
referred the reports of the Warden, and
superintendents of the Insane Hospital
submitted a report, which was on mo-
tion of Mr. Wood laid on the table
and one thousand copies ordered to be
printed for the use of the legislature.

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The Secretary presented to the government
for his approval bills entitled,

An act additional to an act incor-
porating the Bangor Boom Company
approved March 22. 1843.

An act extending the remedy on
executions against corporations.

An act further defining the duties
of Register of deeds in certain cases.

Resolve in favor of Ashur Martin
and others.

Resolve providing for opening and
repairing the State road from Blen-
chard to Moose Lake Lake.

Resolve authorizing the land agent
to purchase property attached on
demands in favor of the State.

Resolve making an abatement of
taxs in the east half of township
No. 6. eighth range west from the
east line of the State.

Resolve in favor of Henry W. Paine.

Resolve in favor of the town of
Waffield

and

1845. Resolved providing for the repairs of the Baring & Moulton Road. 410.

Bill entitled an act additional to an act to establish the Quebec Rail Road Corporation (laid on the table by Mr. French on leave) was read twice, the rule being suspended, and on motion of Mr. Seering laid on the table.

Petition of Mr. A. Chandler for the revival of an act entitled an act to establish the Augusta Tides Bridge passed March 23. 1838 was referred to the committee on Rail Roads & Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Holmes from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed bills entitled as

An act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the revised Statutes.

An act to incorporate the Sears & most Cotton and Wadsworth Manufacturing Company.

An act authorizing the location of a new road over tide waters in Augusta.

An act additional regulating the fees of the Clerks of the Judicial Courts.

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An act making further provision to contract for the relief of the poor in the several towns in the State and the same were severally passed to be enacted.

Mr. Holmes from the same committee also reports as truly and correctly engrossed

Resolved in favor of Jacob Maine

Resolved in favor of George Sawtelle
and

Resolved in favor of William H. Pope and Samuel W. Pope and they were severally finally passed.

Mr. Fiske from the committee on the Judiciary reports leave to withdraw on petition of James Keegan & others; on petition of Aaron Ricker and others; and legislation inexpedient on the subject of an order relative to the expediency of defining the powers and obligations of incorporated plantations; of an order relative to repealing the 126th Chapter of the Revised Statutes; of an order relative to amending the 2^d section of Chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes; of an order relative to exempting from attachments for the debts of their parents property given to minors; of an order relative to amending the 29th section of Chapter

845. 91 of the revised Statutes; and that 412.
bill entitled an act additional to
amend the revised Statutes ought not
to pass. Severally accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

Mr. Munroe from the committee on
Incorporation of towns reported order
of notice returnable to the next leg-
islature on petition of William F. Good-
fellow. Accepted & sent down for concu-
rrence.

Mr. Miller from the committee on
State Lands and State Roads reported
legislation inexpedient on petition of
N. Jewell & others. Accepted and sent
down for concurrence.

Mr. Skilling from the committee on Fish-
eries reported legislation inexpedient
on the communication of the Secretary
of State transmitting a list of the
Inspectors of Fish, and on petitions of
J. T. Reed & others. Accepted & sent down for
concurrence.

Resolved in favor of James A. L. Foster

Resolved in favor of Joseph Pollard
and

Resolved in favor of Franklin Green
& others were severally read a second
time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Bills entitled:

An act to establish a registry of deeds, and one term yearly of the Court of Probate in the Northern District of the County of Groenock (reported from the Judiciary Committee to whom it was referred)

An act relating to Poor debtors Bonds in certain cases (laid on the table by Mr. Dunn on leave)

Resolved for the improvement of the Canada Road (reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Elisha Wilkin & others)

Resolved in favor of Elephat Watson (reported from the Committee on State Lands & State Roads on petition of said Watson)

Resolved providing for the repair of the Military Road (reported from the Committee on State Lands & State Roads on that portion of the Governor's message and Land Agents report as relates to roads)

Resolved relating to the public lands (reported from the Committee on State Lands & State Roads on order relative to selling the vacant lands in townships surveyed for settlement in blocks)

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Resolved in relation to the State Library
(reported from the committee on the
State Library on order relative to en-
larging the library room)

Resolved in favor of Benjamin Chad-
bourne (reported from the committee on
Military pensions on petition of said
Chadbournes)

Resolved in favor of George Williston
(reported from the committee on Military
pensions on petition of, signed by Stone
& others)

and

Resolved authorizing the county com-
missioners, for the county of Franklin
to lay out a road (laid on the table
by Mr. Thetburn on leave) together with

Bill entitled An act to amend the
one hundred and twenty fifth Chapter
of the Revised Statutes (reported in the
House from the committee on the Judi-
ciary on order relative thereto on Tues-
days) were severally read once and tomorrow
assigned for a second reading.

Adjourned.

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Mr French from the committee on Engross bills reports as truly and correctly expressed bills entitled

An act to incorporate the Machiasport and East Machias Town Bridge Company and the same was passed to be enacted and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

The Secretary also presents to the Governor for his approval bills entitled

An act to incorporate the Searsmont Cotton & Wool Manufacturing Company.

An act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the revised Statutes.

An act making further provision to contract for keeping of the poor in the several towns in this State.

An act authorizing the location of a turn road over bad waters in Augusta.

An act additional regulating the fees of the clerks of the Judicial Courts

Resolved in favor of Jacob Maine.

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Resolved in favor of George Sawtelle.

Resolved in favor of Wm St. Pope and Samuel W. Pope.

Bills entitled;

An act relating to Poor debtors bonds in certain cases

An act to establish a registry of deeds and one term yearly of the Court of Probate in the Northern District of the County of Groton

and

Resolved relating to the public lands have severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Daniel Roberts was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved laying a tax on the several Towns in this State was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved for the improvement of the Cambridge road

Resolved authorizing the County Commissioners for the County of Franklin

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to lay out a road.

Resolved providing for the repair of the
Military road

Resolved in favor of George Williston

Resolved in relation to the State
Library

and

Resolved in favor of Elephat Watson
were severally read a second time
and passed to be engrossed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Bills entitled

An act additional to an additional
act to regulate the jurisdiction and
proceedings of the Court of Probate
in the County of Lincoln approved
February 29. 1844 (laid on the table
by Mr. Olis on leave)

An act in addition to the 19th Chap-
ter of the Revised Statutes, laid on the
table by Mr. Burns on leave

An act to prevent obstructions
in the Saint Croix River (reported by
the committee on the Judiciary to
whom it was committed).

An act to set off certain lands
John Westhust and annex the same

Sept. to Portland (reported in the House 418.
from the committee on division of lands
on petition of selectmen of Westbrook)

An act to authorize the town of
Machias to purchase Machias
Bridge and to establish the same
as a free public way (laid on the
table by Mr. Swan on leave)

Resolved in favor of Lucinda E. Bragg
dow (laid on the table by Mr. Tal-
man on leave)

Resolved for the repair of the State
House (reported from the committee on
public buildings to which it had been
referred were severally read once and
monday assigned for a second read-
ing).

Bill entitled An act concerning Juvenile
offenders in the city of Portland was read a
second time and the further consideration of
the same indefinitely postponed.

Bill entitled an act to amend the
one hundred and twenty-fifth chapter of
the Revised Statutes was read a second
time and on motion of Mr. Tallman
laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act regulating the
sale of intoxicating liquors was read a
second time and on motion of Mr. Pills-
bury

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bury laid on the table, and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Resolved in favor of Benjamin Chaston was read a second time and on motion of Mr. Otis laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act establishing a board of commissioners of Common Schools was read a second time and amended as on sheet annexed marked A + on motion of Mr Otis laid on the table.

Mr. Fay from the committee on the Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on the subject of an order relative to amending the law in relation to the duties of town and school district clerks; on the subject of an order relative to amending the act securing to married women their rights in property; on an order relative to providing by law for the maintenance of suits in the name of the assignees on contracts not negotiable and for the security of tests for defendants in such suits; on an order relative to altering the 3^d section of Chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes Severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Fay from the same committee

145. reported leave to withdraw on petitions 400
of Fayer Hall & others; of John Cook and
& others; of H. G. Russ & others; of the town
of Harpswell severally accepted & sent
down for concurrence.

The following communication was received
from the Governor:

To the Senate,

and House of Representatives;

Since the adjournment of the leg-
islature on yesterday I have received
a report from Samuel L. Harris Esq.
the agent employed to present and prosecute
the claims of this state against the gen-
eral government which with the accom-
panying papers I herewith lay before
you.

On the 25th of February I addressed
a letter to Mr. Harris at Washington
requesting his immediate return to
this place with such papers con-
nected with the claims in his charge
as might be required for a full
explanation of the manner in which
the same had been presented to the
general government, a copy of this
letter with his reply thereto in pos-
sion of a committee of the legislature
and Mr. Harris is now ready to make
to the legislature, or its committee, such
explanations as may be deemed necessary.

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The communication was referred to the joint select committee appointed to inquire what claims in the name of the State, are now under the charge of our agent at Washington against the general government of the United States. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. French from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly & correctly engrossed, bills entitled:
An act in addition to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Bangor" and the same was passed to be enacted and presented by the secretary to the governor for his approval.

Mr. Holden from the committee on retrenchment reported leave to withdraw on petition of Ebenezer Hurdwath & others; on petition of Joseph Blodgett & others: Severally accepted & sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Tammam from the committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Resolves of the State of South Carolina, Maryland, Kentucky, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Missouri, Delaware, Alabama, Indiana, Vermont, Arkansas, Connecticut & Georgia reported that they be filed in the Archives of the State. Accepted & sent down for concurrence.

1845 On motion of Mr. Sumner ordered 422.
that the Senate hold afternoon sessions
at half past two o'clock P.M. commencing
on Monday next.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Kennebec and Boston Steam Packet
Company came from the House
amended as on sheet marked A.
The Senate reads from its own passing
the same to be engrossed, adopted
the amendment and passed the
same to be engrossed as amended
in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to amend section
8 Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes (laid
on the table by Mr. R. on leave) was
read once and Monday next assigned
for a second reading.

Resolved establishing a valuation
for the State of Maine (laid on the
table by Mr. Sumner on leave) was
read once and Wednesday next assigned
for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to prevent the
destruction of Moose & Deer came up
amended & passed to be engrossed.

The Senate insisted upon its former
vote indefinitely postponing the further
consideration of the same. Sent down
for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr Tallman the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolves in favor of Charles Crocker and Young C Crocker. Mr. French moved to strike out all after the word resolve and insert the words following to wit;
 "That there be paid out of the treasuries of this State to Charles Crocker & Wm. Crocker the sum of one hundred and ninety seven dollars and twenty five cents the same being for one half the amount of money paid, together with interest, for certain islands purchased purchased of the State of Maine and Massachusetts. Provided said Crocker shall convey to this State and Massachusetts the interests they acquire in all the islands specified in the deed to them dated Dec. 24. 1839"

Mr. Tallman demanded that the question be divided so that it first be taken on striking out, and that being ordered to be taken by yeas & nays was decided in the affirmative as follows to wit;

Yea. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase	
Deering, Dunn, French, Frazee, Holdens,	
Knowlton, Miles, Munroe, Ois. Parker,	
Targant, Sherburne, Kittins, Smiley	
Swan, Townsend, Warren, Wood	24.
Nays. Messrs. Berry, Hastings, Rose &	
Tallman	4.

1140. The second branch of the question Q. 4.
 was then taken upon inserting the
 amendment proposed by Mr French
 and that was decided in the negative
 as follows to wit.

Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Berry, Sumner,
 French, Brewster, Rice, Sargeant
 Sherburne, Skidwin, Thayer, Leans
 Tallman, Townsend — 13.

Nays Messrs. Barrett, Chase, Darling
 Faye, Hastings, Holdens, Millers, Munroe,
 Otis, Porter, Smiley, Warren, Wood — 13.

On motion of Mr French the Senate
 proceeded to the consideration of bill
 entitled an act additional to an
 act to establish the Belfast and
 Quebec Rail Road Corporation. Mr.
 Leans proposed an amendment on
 sheet marked A which was agreed
 to. Mr. Faye proposed as an amendment
 to strike out the fifth section of the bill, &
 before that question was taken the bill
 was laid on the table.

Adjourned,

James C. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Report of Jewett & March others for the
 Charter of a bank in the City of Bangor
 by the name of the Puckard Bank
 was referred to the Committee on Banks
 & Banking. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
 Megunticook Manufacturing Company
 (laid on the table by Mrs. Sumner on leave)
 was read twice, the rules being suspended
 and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
 concurrence.

Mr. Holden from the Committee on en-
 graving bills, reported as correctly engrossed

Resolves in favor of Joel Wellington and
 the same was finally passed and
 presented by the Secretary to the gov-
 ernor for his approval.

Mr. Chase from the Committee on
 Education reported legislation inex-
 pedient on the subject of an order
 relating to authorizing school districts
 in the State to purchase libraries; an
 order relative to the location of school
 houses; and leave to withdraw on peti-
 tion of the inhabitants of the town

of Wales, and on petition of Eusebius 426.
Morton. Severally accepted & sent
down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Secring the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of bill
entitled an act to amend the 125th
chapter of the revised Statutes, and the
further consideration of the same, on
motion of Mr. Seann, was indefinitely
postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pillsbury the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of bill
entitled an additional act to reg-
ulate the survey of lumber in the
country of Penobscot and the same
on his motion was recommended.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the State House
was read a second time and refused
a passage. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Miller moved to reconsider the
vote whereby the Senate refused to ad-
opt the amendment proposed by Mr.
Bunch to the resolve in favor of Cha.
Crocker & Wm. D. Crocker. The motion
was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act in relation
to Steam Navigation Corporations
came up amended. On motion of Mr.
Seann the bill was laid on the table.

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Bill entitled an act additional establishing the salary of the clerk and commissary of the State Prison (reported from the Committee on the State Prison on order relative to increasing the salary of said officers)

and

Bill entitled an act additional to the 27th Chapter of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on Banks & Banking to whom it was re-committed)

Bill entitled an act to set off certain land from Westbrook and annex the same to Portland was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Swan the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolved in aid of the erection of two bridges at Orono Island, County of Penobscot and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to prevent obstructions in the Saint Croix river on motion of Mr. Hastings the same was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. French the Senate proceeded to the consideration

of two entitled an act additional 428
to an act to establish the Belfast
and Quebec Rail Road corporation.

The question pending being the mo-
tion of Mr. Dyer to strike out the fifth
section of the bill, and that was decided
in the affirmative, and the bill was
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Bills entitled;

An act to amend section 8 of Chap-
ter II of the revised Statutes.

An act in addition to the 19th
Chapter of the revised Statutes.

An act additional to an act
to regulate the jurisdiction and
proceedings of the Court of Probate
in the County of Lincoln approved
February 29, 1844.

An act to authorizing the town
of Machias to purchase Machias
Bridge, and to establish the same as
a free public way.

and

Resolved in favor of Lucinda E. Briggs
were severally read a second time
and passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Olis the Senate proceeded
to the consideration of Resolves in favor

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of Benjamin Chadborne and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act establishing a board of Commissioners of common schools. The question of passing the bill to be engrossed, being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows.

Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Barnett, Chase,	
Deering, French, Hastings, Holden,	
Miller, Mr. Pillsbury, Porter, Rose,	
Skilling, Smiley, Stuart, Swan, Tall-	
man, Townsend, Wood	19
Nays Messrs. Deering, Knowlton, Langdon,	
Thurman, & Warren	5.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

The Senate met agreeably to adjournment.

Mr. Holden from the committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed bill entitled an act for the incorporation of the Kennebec and Boston Steam Packet Company and the same was passed to be enacted, and presented

by the Secretary to the Governor for his 430.
approval.

On motion of Mr. Olis the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of two en-
titled an act additional to an
act entitled an act additional to
an act in relation to the public lands
and the same was passed to be enacted.

Mr. Sherburne from the committee on
the Judiciary reported leave to with-
draw one petition of William Badger
others; of Sylvester Cook others; of William
Silborn others; accepted & sent down for
an answer.

Bill entitled an act to repeal an
act entitled an act to incorporate the
Rensselaer Locks and Canals Company
came up the House having indefini-
tely postponed the further consid-
eration of the same. On motion of Mr.
Tallman the bill was laid on the ta-
ble and tomorrow assigned for its fur-
ther consideration.

Resolved in favor of the perpetuation of
Merry meeting Bridge (laid on the table
by Mr. Tallman on leave)

and

Resolved in favor of Oakman Ford (laid
on the table by Mr. French on leave) were
severally read over and tomorrow assigned
for a second reading.

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On motion of Mr. Sumner the vote whereby Wednesday next was assigned for a second reading of Resolved establishing a valuation for the State of Maine was reconsidered and tomorrow assigned therefor.

Bill entitled an act in relation to steam navigation corporations came up amended. The Senate agreed to the amendments and passed the bill to be engrossed as amended by yeas and nays as follows, to-wit:

Yea. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase, French, Holden, Knowlton, Munroe, Ovi., Parker, Rice, Skidwin, Stuart, Tilton, Tammam, Townsend, Warren, Wood - 17.
Nay. Messrs. Sumner Hastings Lagoon - 3.

On motion of Mr. Seering the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolved in favor of Washington A. Vaughan and on his motion the further consideration of the same was indefinitely postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holden the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional to Chapter Fourth of the Revised Statutes the question pending being the amendment proposed by Mr. Ross was decided in the affirmative. The bill on motion of Mr. Ovi. was laid on the table.

45. On motion of Mr. (Cis), the vote 432
whereby Wednesday next was assigned
for the further consideration of bill
entitled an act regulating the sale
of intoxicating liquors was reconsidered
and Mr. Sumner proposed an amend-
ment on sheet marked A. and while
that was pending the bill on motion
of Mr. Tallman was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Seering the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolves
in relation to the distribution of the
annual School fund and the same
was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sumner the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of bill en-
titled an act to incorporate the Hol-
lowell Steam Navigation Company
and the same was on his motion
amended as on sheet marked A.
B. & C. and passed to be engrossed as
thus amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to increase the
Salary of the recorder of the Municipal
Court of the City of Portland (reported
in the House from the Committee on the
Judiciary, on an order relative to the
Salary of said officer, & reported a passing)
was read twice, the rule being suspended
on motion of Mr. Sumner laid on the
table.

Adjourned.

James C. L. Fisher, Secretary.

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Mr. Chase from the Joint Select Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Governor in relation to the infraction of the treaty of Washington and the accompanying papers made a report accompanied by a series of Resolves entitled Resolves in relation to the infraction of the treaty of Washington. The same were ordered to lie on the table and five hundred copies thereof printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill entitled an act additional to the 77th Chapter of the Revised Statutes was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Sherburne the further consideration of the same was indefinitely postponed, by yeas and nays as follows, to wit.

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Beeching, Dunn, Hastings Holmes, Holden, Knollston, Miller, Olis, Piustary, Rose, Sargeant, Sherburne, Skidwin, Thout, Townsend, Warren 17.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Chase, French, Frye, Parer, Swan 6.

Sent down for concurrence.

Residue in favor of James O. L. Porter 434.
came up amended on sheet marked
A. The Senate non-concurred the
House in the amendment and insisted
on its former vote. Sent down for con-
currence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of bills
entitled an act regulating the sale
of intoxicating liquors. He withdrew
the amendment proposed by him
yesterday, and Mr. Fry proposed
another on sheet marked A. and
before the question was taken on
that, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Otis from the committee on State
Prison reported legislation independent
on the petitions of Joseph Hickey &
another. Accepted & sent down for con-
currence.

Bills entitled an act additional to
establishing the salary of the Clerk &
Commissionary of the State Prison was
read a second time & passed to be en-
gaged. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled; an act to amend the
3^d section of an act approved March
23^d 1843. entitled an act relating to
Hawkers & Pedlers / reports from the com-
mittee on recommitment on an order
relating to Hawkers & Pedlers /

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An act additional to Chapter 180 of the Revised Statutes (reported from the Committee on Amendments on order relative to the reduction of salaries)

An act additional to an act entitled an act to establish the Augusta Traction Report from the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges on petition of M. A. Chandler & others

An act authorizing the laying out of a county road across the Back Draft Stream in the town of Lincolnville (Report from the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges on petition of Ephraim Rand & others)

An act to establish the Androscoggin and Kennebec Rail Road Company (Report from the House from the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges on petition of Wm R. Weyl & others)

and

An additional act to an act additional to Chapter 97 of the Revised Statutes (laid on the table by Mr. Dix on leave) were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Resolves in favor of Calman Bond was read a second time and on motion of Mr. Seering laid on the table.

1845 Resolved in favor of the proprietors of 1836
the Merry Meeting Bridge was read a
second time and laid on the table.

Mr. French from the Committee on
Rail Roads & Bridges uprose leave
to withdraw on memorial of Levi
P. Hilliard & others. It is agreed and
sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tinsburne ordered
that when the Senate next adjourn
it be to meet tomorrow morning at
9 o'clock.

Bill entitled an act to prevent obstructions
in St. Louis river was amended as on
Sheet A. and the further consideration of the
same indefinitely postponed. Sent down
for concurrence.

Adjourned,
James C. L. Foster,
Secretary.

Wednesday March 26. 1845.

Mr. Deering from the committee on engrossed bills reports as truly and earnestly engrossed, bills exhibited;

An act to change the names of certain persons.

An act authorizing guardians and other persons having the care of, holding real estate in trust to cause the same to be insured.

An act authorizing the town of Augusta to raise and assess a tax for certain purposes.

An act to incorporate The Mills Piscataquis Bridge Company
and

An act additional to an act to set off a part of the town of New Vineyard and annex the same to the town of Industry, and the same were severally passed to be enacted and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Seeling from the same Committee 438
also reported as correctly expressed.

Resolve authorizing a grant of land
to the heirs of Joseph Savenport a
revolutionary soldier

Resolve in favor of Margaret Trafton

Resolve in favor of Charles R. Spear,

Resolve in favor of The town of Burlington

Resolves declaratory of an amendment
to the Constitution and the same were
generally feebly passed, and presented
by the Secretary, to the Governor for his
approval.

Mr. Holden from the same Committee
also reported as correctly expressed title
entitled an act to incorporate the Mes-
quissippian Manufacturing Company
and the same was passed to be en-
acted, and presented by the Secretary
to the Governor for approval.

Bill entitled an act to establish the
Androskeppin and Kennebec Railroad
Company was read a second time &
one motion of Mr. Shaw laid on the
table.

Bill entitled an additional act to
an act additional to Chapter 97 of the

434.

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Revised Statutes was read a second time.
Mr. Fry proposed an amendment on
which marked it and while that was
pending the bill was laid on the table.

Bills entitled;

An act relating to repairing buildings
owned by tenants in common (laid on
the table by Mr. Tallman on leave)

An act incorporating The Pushaw
Bank (reported from the committee on
Banks and Banking on petition of
March & Smith & others, here severally
read once and tomorrow assigned for
a second reading).

Bill entitled an act in addition to
the act incorporating the Kennebec
and Portland Rail Road Company
reported in the House from the committee
on Rail Roads & Bridges or order relative
to extending the charter of said Company
was read once and this day at half
past two o'clock assigned for a second
reading.

Mr. Seering from the committee on
engrossed bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed.

Resolved authorizing the treasurer to re-
ceive from the government of the
United States certain money which
may be now credited to this state

or that may hereafter become due 440.
and the same was finally passed
by yeas and nays as follows to
wit:

Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Chad-
wick, Deering, Holmes, Holden, Knowl-
ton, Parbo, Tazewell, Tuckerm., Tully,
Thout, Swan, Tansie. Warren. 16.
Yeas. Messrs. Barst., Burr, Fraz,
Miller, Monroe, Stei., Pillsbury. Aye
Skilling, Totten. — — — — — 10.

Mr. Deering from the same committee
also reported as truly engrossed

Resolved additional concerning certain
early records of the Province of Maine
and the same on motion of Mr. Stei. was
laid on the table.

The secretary presented to the governor for
approval two bills

An act additional to an act entitled an
act additional to an act in relation
to the public lands

Petition of the inhabitants of the town
of Bath that the tax on incomes may
be abolished was referred to the committee
on the Judiciary. Sent down for con-
currence.

Bills entitled

An act authorizing the laying out
a country road across the Duck Trap

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Steam in the town of Lincolnville
and

An act additional to an act en-
titled an act to establish the Au-
gusta Free Bridge were severally read
a second time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled An act additional to Chapter
130 of the Revised Statutes, was read a second
time and laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to amend the third
section of an act approved March 23. 1855
entitled an act relating to Hankins & Peabody
was read a second time and refused a pass-
sage. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to abolish the
Sister's Court and additional to the
96th Chapter of the Revised Statutes, came
up refused a passage. The Senate very
justly wore its favorite by eyes and
nays as follows: viz.

Messrs. Barrett, Chadwick, Cunningham,
Miller, Munroe, Stiles, Pellstury, Rice,
Tallman, Townsend. — 10.

Messrs. Barnard, Seering,
Truett, Tracy, Hastings, Holden,
Knowlton, Perkins, Tarpeau, Sherburne,
Skinner, Stoddard, Stearns, Warren — 14.

Bill entitled an act prescribing the
mode when certain acts of incorporation

Ms. shall take effect (Laid on the table by Sp. H. 2.
Mr. Swan on leave) was read twice
the rule being suspended. amended as
on sheet marked A and passed to be
engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the
Trustees of the School Fund in the Town
of Rumford (reported from the committee on
education on petition of the town of
Rumford and

Resolved in favor of Lee Normal Academy
(reported from the committee on education
where it was referred were severally
read twice and tomorrow assigned for
a second reading.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of bills
entitled An act to establish the
Andrus coffin and Kennebec Railroad
Company. The amendment on sheet
marked A. was adopted and the bill
was passed to be engrossed as amended
by yeas and nays as follows: Yea,
Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chasick,
Dunn, French, Gray, Holden, Knowl-
ton, Miller, Rose, Sargeant, Thorburne,
Thibault, Truitt, Swan, Tammann, Town-
send, Warren - - - 18.

Nays. Messrs. Seering, Olis - - - 2.

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Bill entitled, an act in addition to the act incorporating the Kennebec & Portland Rail Road Company was read a second time, amended, by striking out the sixth section and passed to be engrossed as thus amended. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tallman the Senate proceeded to the consideration of two articles an act to repeal an act entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Kennebec Locks and Canals Company. Mr. Tallman moved to now concur the house in the indefinitely postponed of the further consideration of the bill, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows to wit:

Yea. Messrs. Barnard, Barr, H. Perry, Sumner, Holmes, Ois, Parker, Smiley, Swan, Tallman, & Wood 11.

Nay. Messrs. Chase, Chaotic, Deering, French, Hastings, Knowlton, Monroe, Rose, Sargeant, Skidwin, Stump, & Townsend 12.

The question returned upon concurring with the House in indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the bill and that being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows to wit,

Yoc. Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Chadwick, Deering, French, Hastings, Kinswelter, Munroe, Pilsbury, Rose, Sargent, Skillin, Smith, Tarnano - 14.
Aarp. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Dunn, Holmes, Otis, Porter, Smiley, Swan, Tallman, Wood - 10.

Adopted,

James O. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Mr. Seeling from the committee on engrossed bills reported as correctly engrossed bill entitled

An act to compel the attendance of witnesses in criminal prosecutions and the question of passing the same to be enacted was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays as follows
Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Berry, Chase, Seeling, Tappan, Holmes, Miller, Munroe, Porter, Spertburne, Swan, Tammam, Wood — — — 14.

Nays Messrs. Chadwick, Dunn, Pillsbury, Sargeant, Skidmore, Smiley, Stuart, Townsend, Warren — — — 9.

The bill was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Seeling from the same committee also reported as correctly engrossed, bill entitled.

An act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the New waters of Little River in the town of Perry.

An act additional to chapter eighty second of the revised Statutes.

An act repealing the 39th Chapter of the

An act to incorporate the Mill Manufacturing Company
and

An act to incorporate the purposes
of the Dover and Ellick Bridge and they
were severally passed to be enacted &
presented by the Secretary to the Gov-
ernor for approval.

The decree from the same committee
also reported as correctly engrossed.

Resolved in favor of Samuel Roberts.

Resolved in favor of the Insane Hospital.

Resolved laying a tax on the several coun-
ties in this State, and the same were
severally finally passed, and presented
by the Secretary to the Governor for ap-
proval.

Bill entitled an act for the protection
of certain roads came up further amended
as on their passage. The Senate re-
ceived from the House passing the bill
to be engrossed agreed to the amendment
adopted by the House and passed the
bill to be engrossed as thus amended.

Bill entitled an act concerning In-
venile offenders in the City of Portland
came up the House having insisted on

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its former vote. The Senate on motion of Mr. Olis assents to its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled;

An act to incorporate the Pashaw Bank.

An act to incorporate trustees of the school fund in the town of Newford
and

An act relating to repairing buildings owned by tenants in common were generally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to set off Simons Biddings and Land from the town of Plymouth in the County of Penobscot and annex the same to Newport (laid on the table by Rose on leave)

Bill entitled an act providing for the marking of sheep (reported from the committee on agriculture on order relating to the marking of sheep and meat cat. &c.)

Bill entitled an act for the removal of the seat of government (laid on the table by Mr. Olis on leave)

And

Resolves in relation to the imprisonment of Thomas H. Carr (reported in the house

1445 From the Joint Select Committee to whom 448.
was referred the resolutions of the State
of New Hampshire in relation to the
imprisonment of Thomas W. Dorr, were
severally read once and tomorrow as-
signed for a second reading.

Resolves in form of Lee Normal Academy
my was read a second time and
on motion of Mr. Chase laid on the
table.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate
proceeded to the consideration
of bills entitled an additional act
to an act additional to Chapter
ninety seven of the Revised Statutes.
The amendments proposed by Mr. Frye were
agreed to, and the bill further amended as
on sheet marked A. and as thus amended
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Mr. Holden from the committee on en-
grossed bills reported as truly and cor-
rectly expressed bills entitled an act
of amendment to an act, in addition
to an act to incorporate the city
of Portland and the same was passed
to be enacted, and presented by the
Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Adjourned.

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On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate

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proceeded to the consideration of the bill entitled an act to increase the salary of the recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Portland. The Senate now concurred the House is refusing the bill a passage and passed the bill to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Deering from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as correctly engrossed bill entitled an act to establish the Granddocking and Kennebec Rail Road Company, and the same was passed to be enacted.

On motion of Mr. Deering the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Superior Waters giving leave to withdraw or petition of Charles Gilman and others and the further consideration of the same, on motion of Mr. Dixie, was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the 77th Chapter of the revised Statutes came up, the House having now concurred the Senate is indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same, and passed the bill to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Seavey the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dunn, the Senate

445. proceeded to the consideration of bill 450,
intituled an act regulating the sale
of intoxicating liquors. Mr. Shurtorne
proposed as an amendment to
strike out of the bill all after the in-
voking clause and insert as our
sheet marked A. The question was or-
dred to be taken by yeas and nays.
Mr. Holden demanded that it be
divided, so that it first be taken
on striking out, and that was decided
in the affirmative as follows.

Yeas. Messrs. Chase, Seering, Dunn,
Dix, Hastings, Holden, Miller, Mun-
roe, Olis, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sargent,
Sherburne, Townsend, Warren - 16.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Bury,
Chadwick, Knowlton, Skidlin, Smiley,
Thout, Swan, Tammam, Wood - 11.

The second branch of the question upon
inserting the proposed amendment was
decided in the affirmative as follows.

Yeas. Messrs. Chase, Seering, Dunn, Dix,
Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Mun-
roe, Olis, Porter, Sargent, Shurtorne,
Smiley, Townsend, Warren, Wood - 16.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Bury,
Chadwick, Miller, Pillsbury, Skidlin,
Thout, Swan, Tammam - 10.

The question returned upon passing
the bill to be engrossed and that was
decided in the affirmative as follows
yeas,

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The question returned upon passing the law to be engrossed, as amended, and that was decided in the affirmative as follows writ.

Yeas Messrs. Chase, Deering, Dunn, Dryer, Haskings, Holdam, Kimball, Munroe, Olis, Power, Sargent, Sherburne, Skidwin, Smith, Townsend, Warren, Thos - 17.

Nays Messrs. Barnard, Banett, Berry, Chadwick, Miller, Ross, Stuart, Swan, Tallman - 9.

Bill entitled to an act additional to our act entitled an act establishing the county of Franklin (laid on the table by Mr. Sherburne on leave) was read twice, the rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Tallman introduced the following order, which was on motion of Mr. Sherburne laid on the table:

Ordered that the resolve providing for a state valuation, and the report of the valuation Committee be committed to a joint select Committee consisting of one from each county on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join with instructions to examine and correct all existing errors in the state valuation

as reported by the late valuation and 252.
mitted, and report on Sunday next.

Admiral,

James C. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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The Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval, two bills as follows:

An act to establish the Andros Cuyler and Kennebec Rail Road.

On motion of Mr. Olis the Senate reconsidered its whereby it is asked to its former vote indefinitely postponing the further consideration of two bills. An act concerning Juvenile offenders of the city of Portland, and on his motion the Senate insisted on it, vote indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same.

The House informed the Senate that that body had ordered 350 copies of bill entitled an act relating to appeals from County Commissioners together with the proposed amendment to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolves for the payment of accounts against the State (reported in the House)

Bill entitled an act to establish the Penobscot & Kennebec Rail Road, laid on the table by Mr. Pelletury on leave.

1125. Bill entitled an act to incorporate the 454
North Benotseot Manufacturing Com-
pany (reported in the House from the com-
mittee on manufactures to whom it was
referred)

Bill entitled an act to regulate the
survey of timber in the County of Benot-
seot (reported from the committee on the
Judiciary to whom it was re-committed
with an amendment)

And

Resolved in favor of Benjamin J. Porter
(reported in the House from the committee
on State Lands & State Roads on the
petition of said Porter) were severally
read once and tomorrow assigned for
a second reading

Resolved in relation to the imprisonment
of Thomas H. Gerr was read a second time
and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Charles Abbott (laid
on the table in the House) was read twice
the rule being suspended, and passed
to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act providing for the
marking of ships was read a second
time and passed to be engrossed sent
down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to establish the
Portland and Cape Elizabeth Ferry Com-

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Henry reported in the House from the committee on the Judiciary on petition of Charles J. Bartow others, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolved in favor of Southwood Sibley & E. B. Sibley came up, the House having now concurred. The Senate is indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same, and amended it on that, A & B and it to be engrossed as thus amended. On motion of Mr. Chadwick the resolved was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act making towns liable for certain personal injuries came up, the House having now concurred the Senate in passing the same to be engrossed. The bill was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to set off Simeon Billings and land from the town of Plymouth in the County of Penobscot and annex the same to Newport was read a second time and laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act for the removal of the seat of government was read a second time and on motion of Mr. U. S. laid on the table.

Resolved in favor of the towns of Canada

and Phillips came up, referred to a joint select committee consisting of the members of the legislature from the county of Somerset. The Senate agreed and concurred.

Petition of Joshua Willows others for the repeal of the act dividing the town of Anson was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bills entitled an act additional to the 77th Chapter of the revised statutes, and on his motion the Senate adhered to its former vote indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same, by yeas and nays as follows,

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Berry, Chace, Dunn, Holmes, Halden, Miller, Monroe, Rice, Sherburne — 11.
Nays. Messrs. Chase, French, Fry, Knudsen, Potter, Sarpeant, Skilling, Swan, Townsend & Warren — 10.

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of order introduced yesterday by Mr. Tallman, referring the matter providing for a State valuation to a select committee, and the same was refused a passage by yeas and nays as follows:

Messrs. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chase, French, Holmes, Otis, Swan, Tallman — 8.

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Days. Messrs. Barnes, Chadwick, Seering,
Dunn, Burr, Hastings, Holden, Knowl-
ton, Miller, Munroe, Pillsbury, Porter,
Rice, Sargent, Sherburne, Skidwin, Stout,
Townsend, Warren, Wood — 26.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of Resolved
establishing a valuation for the State of
Maine. The amendment on Sheet A
proposed by Mr. Stout was adopted. Mr.
Stout proposed another amendment on
Sheet marked B. in the words following to wit:
"Take seven thousand dollars from State
and fifteen thousand dollars from Methuen
and annex the said sums amounting to
twenty two thousand dollars to Gorham."
and the question of agreeing to the same
was decided in the affirmative by yeas
and nays as follows to wit:

Yeas Messrs. Chadwick, Seering, Dunn,
Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Miller,
Munroe, Skidwin, Stout, Warren & H.
Days Messrs. Barnes, Burr, Holmes,
Otis, Parker, Rice — 6.
Messrs. Tallman and Swan, on their re-
quest were excused from voting.

Mr. Otis proposed an amendment in

365. Mr. Woods "to add to the aggregate value 458
of the County of York \$987.00 and the
question of agreeing to the same was
ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, and
was decided in the negative as follows
to wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Berry, Holmes, Otis, Swan,
Tallman — — — — — 5.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chas-
erick, Deering, Sumner, Tracy, Hastings,
Holden, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe,
Porter, Rose, Sherburne, Stillins, Strong,
and Warren — — — — — 17

Mr. Tallman proposed an amendment
"to add to Long Island, Suffolk County
\$987.00 and the question of agreeing
to the same was ordered to be taken
by yeas and nays, and was decided
in the negative as follows,

Yeas. Messrs. Holmes, Otis, Swan, Tall-
man — — — — — 4.

Nays. Messrs. Chasrick, Deering, Sumner,
Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Miller,
Monroe, Porter, Rose, Stillins, Strong,
Warren — — — — — 13.

Mr. Warren proposed an amendment,
and while that was pending, Mr. Hast-
ings moved an adjournment, and that
question being ordered to be taken by
yeas and nays was decided in
the affirmative as follows to wit,

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Hastings,
Holmes, Holden, Knowlton, Miller,

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Perber Rose, Skiffin, Swan & Tallman 15.

Sharp, Messrs. Barnard, Dunn, Storch
& Warren - - - - - 14.

Adjourned

James C. L. Foster Secy.

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Resolves establishing a valuation for the State of Maine was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an additional act to regulate the survey of lands in the country of Penobscot was read a second time. The amendment on which it reported from the committee on the Judiciary was agreed to, and the bill passed to be engrossed as thus amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to establish the Portland and Cape Elizabeth Ferry Company, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Skidder the further consideration of the same was indefinitely postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Os. The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bills entitled an act additional to chapter fourth of the revised Statutes, and on his motion the bill was further amended as on sheet marked B and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the

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North Penobscot Manufacturing Com-
pany.

and

Resolves in favor of Benjamin J. Porter
were read a second time and passed to
be expressed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. French the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolves
establishing a valuation for the State
of Maine. The amendment on joint
C. proposed by Mr. Davis was agreed to.
Mr. Porter moved to lay the resolve on the
table, and that question on motion of Mr.
Sumner, being ordered to be taken by yeas
and nays was decided in the affirmative
as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Barstow, Berry, Chase, Dering,
Holden, Knowlton, Ovi, Pillsbury, Porter,
Skinner ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ 16.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Chastick, Dunn,
Holmes ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ 4.

Bill entitled an act to establish the
Penobscot and Kennebec Rail Road was
read a second time and passed to be
expressed. Sent down for concurrence.

The following message was received from
the governor.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:
I have received from the executive
of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a

1845. copy of Resolves and of a report of a 462.
Special joint committee of the Legislature
of that state concerning the admission
of Texas which I herewith lay before your
Council Chamber March 29. 1845.

H. J. Anderson.

The communication was referred to the
committee on the Judiciary. Sent down
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolves
establishing a valuation for the State
of Maine. The bill was further amended
as on sheets annexed marked D. E. F. G. H.
I. J. K. L. M. N. O. &c. Mr. Otis moved
that the further consideration of the
bill be indefinitely postponed, and
that question being ordered to be taken
by yeas and nays was decided in
the negative as follows, to wit,

Yeas Messrs. Berry, Dunn, Farnock, Holmes,
Holden, Otis, Perkins, Strong, Swan, Tallman &c.
Nays Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase,
Charwick, Cushing, Frye, Hastings, Knowl-
ton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Peters Rose,
Sargent, Townsend, Warren, Wood — — 17.

The question returned upon passing the
resolves to be engrossed, and that being or-
dered to be taken by yeas and nays was
decided in the affirmative as follows to wit
Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase,
Charwick, Cushing, Frye, Hastings, Knowl-
ton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury, Peters

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Rose, Tazpant, Townsend Mod. — 16.
 Noyes, Messrs. Berry, Dunn, Fitch, Holmes,
 Holden, Otis, Perkins, Shaw, Tolman,
 Warren — 10.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

Petition of Nathaniel Davis and others
 of the town of Brunswick for a Bank
 was referred to the committee on Banks
 & Banking in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
 the Oldtown and Milford Ferry Company
 laid on the table by Mr. Miller on leave.

Bill entitled an act to alter the time
 of holding the Supreme Judicial Court
 in the County of Somerset laid on the
 table by Mr. Porter on leave. There was
 really not once and Monday next
 assigned for a second meeting.

Bill entitled an act concerning
 Juvenile offenders in the City of Port-
 land came up the House insisting
 on its former vote, purposing a con-
 ference, and appointing as conferees
 Messrs. Dessionau, Mildman & Howe.
 The Senate concurred in the proposition
 and appointed as conferees Messrs. Hunt,
 French and Tracy.

1845. Resolved for the payment of accounts 464
against the State was read a second
time, and passed to be engrossed in con-
currence.

Mr. Hastings from the Committee on
Military Pensions reported legislation
inexpedient on reports of the Council on
the petition of Sarah L. Brooks. & reports
& sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sevier ordered that
the Secretary be directed to make up
on the pay roll to Carter P. Smith
eight dollars and twenty cents for
services in preparing the Senate
Chamber for the reception of members.

Adjourned

James S. L. Baker,

Secretary.

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Bill entitled an additional act to an act additional to chapter 97 of the revised Statutes came up the House non concurring the Senate in agreeing to the amendment on sheet marked A and passing the bill to be engrossed as amended on sheet marked B. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves in aid of the bridge at Cross Island County of Penobscot came up the House indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

The House informed the Senate that that today has orders to be printed for the use of the legislature 350 copies of the reports of the Commissioners to locate grants & determine the extent of possession claims under the late Treaty with Great Britain.

Resolve in favor of the terms of Canaan & Pittsfield reported from the Select committee consisting of the members of the Legislature from the County of Seneca &c
and

Bills entitled;

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An act for the relief of all in criminal cases

An act altering the days of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in the counties of Hancock, Washington & Waldo
reported in the House from the committee on the Judiciary on the petitions of
Dud: Nettles

An act concerning contracts made by minors
reported in the House from the committee on the Judiciary on orders relating to that subject

An act concerning the State Prison laid on the table by Mr. B. on leave

and

An act concerning Judicial process and proceedings laid on the table by Mr. Waldman on leave were severally read once and remains assigned for a second reading

Mr. Thos. from the committee on Interiors makes report order of notice returnable to the next Legislature on petitions of Moses L. Buck & others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sherburne Resolved authorizing and directing the land agent to sell at public auction two townships of land in Franklin County. The same was further amended as on sheet B and

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as thus amended passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence.

Bills entitled an act to change the name
of certain persons/reperts in the House
from the committee on change of names/
was read twice the rules being suspended
and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ross the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of bills entitled
an act to set off Lincoln Billings and
Land from the town of Plymouth in
the County of Penobscot, and annex the
same to Newport, and the same was
passed to be engrossed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Bills entitled; an act to incorporate
the old town and Milford Ferry Compa-
ny, reported from the committee on bills
on a second reading with an amendment
(which was adopted)

An act to alter the time of holding
the Supreme Judicial Court in the
County of Somerset were severally
read a second time and passed to
be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Holden from the committee on
engrossed bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed bills entitled;

145. An act to incorporate the Howland 68.
Bridge

An act to incorporate the Portland
Steam Packet Company

An act authorizing the town of
Machias to purchase Machias Bridge
and establish the same as a free
public way.

An act in addition to the act
incorporating the Kennebec and Port-
land Rail Road Company.

An act in relation to Steam naviga-
tion Corporations

An act additional to an act to es-
tablish the Belfast and Quebec Rail
Road Corporation.

and

An act for the protection of certain
roads, and the same were severally
passed to be enacted.

Mr. Holden from the Land Com-
mitted also reported as truly and
correctly expressed.

Resolved in favor of Lucinda E. Bradley

Resolved relating to the public lands.

and

Resolved in favor of Joseph Pollard
and the same were finally passed

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Mr. Seering from the same Committee also reported as truly and correctly impressed bills entitled;

An act to increase the salary of the recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland.

An act to set off certain lands from Westbrook and annex the same to Portland.

And

An act prescribing the time when certain acts of incorporation shall take effect, and the same were passed to be enacted.

Mr. Seering from the same Committee also reported as truly and correctly impressed;

Resolves in favor of Eliphaz Watson.

Resolves in relation to the distribution of the annual School funds.

Resolves in favor of Franklin Green Junior and others.

Resolves in favor of Charles Abbot

Resolves authorizing the County Commissioners for the County of Franklin to lay out a road

345 Resolved in favor of James C. L. 470
Foster

And

Resolved for the improvement of the
Canada Road and the same were
finally passed.

On motion of Mr. Searing the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolves
additional concerning certain early
records of the province of Maine and
the same were finally passed.

On motion of Mr. Sherburne the Sen-
ate proceeded to the consideration of
Resolves in favor of Colman Ford &
the same was refused a passage.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
the Pushaw Bank came up the House
having indefinitely postponed the fur-
ther consideration of the same. The
Senate insisted on its former vote.

The President laid before the Senate
a letter from the Hon. James Wilson
Senator from the first Senatorial
district, resigning the office of Senator
from that district from and after
this day.

Bill entitled an act concerning the
assessment of taxes reported in the
House from the committee on the
Judiciary on order relative to the

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assessment and collection of taxes was read twice and has from the first reading having been assigned for a second reading. The amendments on sheets marked A. B. C. D. & E. were agreed to. The Senate amended the amendment on sheet C. as on sheets marked H & 2 and then nonconcurred the House in the adoption of said amendment and also nonconcurred the House in the amendment on sheet marked F.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

Bill entitled an act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors came up the House having adhered to its former vote passing the same to be amended by yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas. Messrs. Barst, Berry, Holmes, Knowlton, Larpaint, Mortimer, Skillin, Smiley, Stout, Swan, Tallman, Warren
13.

Nays Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Faye, Hastings, Miller, Monroe, Orr, Pellsbury, Peter, Rose, Townsend
11.

Mr. Dunn on his request was excused from voting.

Report of the Committee on Revision of laws relating the petition of Hegerick an Ordway refers to the next Legislature was passed in concurrence.

145. Report of the Committee on Privileges of Towns giving leave to withdraw in petition of N.B. Frost others was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parker ordered that the petition of Sylvanus Kelly others for abatement of taxes in the town of Mayfield with the accompanying papers be taken from the files of the senate and that the same be given up to said Kelly.

On motion of Mr. Miller, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of his motion to reconsider the vote whereby the senate refused to insert the amendment proposed by Mr. Trumbull on the 22^d instant to resolve in favor of Charles Curtis & James A. Curtis and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows. Yeas.

Yeas Messrs. Berry, Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Hunsberr, Millers, Rose, Sargent, Skidmore, Smiley, Spear, Tallerman, Townsend, Warren, Wood - 15.
Nays Messrs. Barrett, Chase, Scoring, Tracy, Holdens, Munroe, Otis, Pellabury, Parker, Thorburne, Hunt - 16.

The question on inserting the amendment was decided in the affirmative.

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Mr. C's move that the further consideration of the residue be indefinitely postponed, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows to-wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnett, Chase, Dering, Fry, Holden, Munroe, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Sherburne, Stark - - - 11.

Nays. Messrs. Berry, Henry, Hastings, Holmes, Huntington, Miller, Rose, Sargent, Skidder, Smiley, Spear, Tallman, Townsend, Warren, Wood - 15.

The residue was passed to be expressed as amended. Sent down for concurring.

(W. Dering moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate receded from its vote on adopting the amendment on a sheet marked A. to his amended article regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors and concurred with the House in passing the same to be expressed that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows to-wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnett, Chase, Dering, Fry, Hastings, Holden, Miller, Munroe, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sherburne, Townsend - - - 14.

Nays. Messrs. Barnett, Berry, Holmes, Knowlton, Skidder, Smiley, Stark, Tallman, Warren & Wood - - - 11.

Res. On motion of Mr. Seaving the time 4th.
amendments were laid on the table.

Resolves in relation to the infraction
of the Treaty of Washington was read
twice. The rule being suspended and
amended on sheet marked A, and
passed to be engrossed as amended
by yeas and nays as follows to wit:
Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barnard,
Bury, Chase, Suring, Perry, Hastings
Hedmes, Hewitts, Miller, Moore,
Mr. Pelletary, Porter, Tarpant, Kittin
Smiley, Hunt, Talmann, Townsend,
Warren 24.
Nays. Mr. Seaver 1.

Bill entitled an act establishing a
board of commissioners of common
schools came up the House having
amended the same and indefinitely
by postponed its further considera-
tion. The Senate on motion of
Mr. Chase, non concurred the House
and adhered to its former vote. Sent
down for concurrence.

Resolves explanatory of Resolves en-
titled "Resolves in favor of Wm. Pope
and Samuel M. Pope" approved March 21.
1845 was read twice the rule being
suspended and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned,

James A. L. Fisher Secretary

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Bill entitled an act for the relief of bail in criminal cases was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act concerning
the States Prison was read a second
time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act concerning judicial process and proceedings was read a second time and on motion of Mr. Spertuous laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act concerning con-
tracts made by miners was read
a second time and on motion of
Mr. Tammann laid on the table.

Resolved in favor of the terms of Canada
and Pittsfield was read a second
time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill exhibited an act altering the
days of holding the Supreme Judicial
Court in the county of Washington

Hancock and Walde was read a 476
second time and the further consid-
eration of the same indefinitely
postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to
the thirty sixth chapter of the Revised
Statutes (laid on the table by Mr. Trigg
on leave) was read once and tomorrow
assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Chase the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of
Resolves in favor of Listerman's Acce-
ptance, the question pending on pass-
ing the resolve to be engrossed
and that being ordered to be taken
by yeas and nays was decided in
the affirmative as follows, Yeas,

Messrs. Barnard, Barren, Chase,
Chadwick, Deering, Dunn, Hastings,
Holmes, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury,
Parker, Rice, Sherburne, Smiley, Swan
Townsend 17.

Nays, Messrs. Berry, Knottson, (11),
Garbutt, Stuart, Tammam, Warren 7.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chase the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Bill
entitled an act making persons liable for
certain personal injuries and the further
consideration of the same was indefinitely
postponed in concurrence.

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Mr. Tracy from the committee of conference on the disagreeing vote between the two houses upon bill entitled "An act concerning Juvenile Offenders in the City of Portland" reports that they had met the conference on the part of the House and recommend that the Senate recede from its former vote to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of said bill and amend the same in line sixth of the first section so as to read "Alms House" instead of "House of Correction", and pass the bill, as so amended, to be expressed in concurrence with the House.

On motion of Mr. Otis the Senate indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the report and adhered to its former vote indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the bill. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned

Afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Thurston the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act concerning the assessment of taxes. The bill was further amended as on sheet annexed marked H. and on motion of Mr. Otis referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Otis, Swan & Tracy.

U.S. Resolved in favor of Goulds Academy 478
in Bishop (laid on the table by Mr. Briggs
on leave) was read once and tomorrow as-
signed for a second reading

On motion of Mr. Olis the Senate proceeded
to the consideration of the report of the
committee on Interior Waters giving leave
to withdraw on petition of Timothy Mc-
Intosh & others. The report was accepted
in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monroe the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of title en-
titled an act for the removal of the seat
of government. The question pending
was on passing the title to be engrossed
and that being ordered to be taken by yeas
and nays was decided in the negative
as follows, nays;

Yaz. Messrs. Sumner, Holden, Miller,
Olis, Pelabury, Skidwin, Tallman - 7.
Nays. Messrs. Blamond Barrett, Berry,
Chadwick, Deering, Frye, Hastings,
Holmes, Knowlton, Monroe, Porter, Ross
Sargeant, Sherburne, Smiley, Hunt,
Swan, Townsend, Warrens Wood - 20.

On motion of Mr. Barrett the Senate pro-
ceeded to the consideration of title entitled
an act regulating the sale of intoxicat-
ing liquors. Mr. Sherburne moved that
the Senate recede from its vote adopting
the amendment on that A. and passing
the title to be engrossed as thus amended

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and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows to-wit,

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Barrett, Berry, Chadwick, Deering, Holden, Holdens, Knowlton, Monroe, Sargeant, Sherburne, Skidwin, Smiley, Stuart, Swan, Tallman, Warren & Wood — 18.

Nays. Messrs. Chase, Dunn, Fraz, Hastings, Miller, O'Brien, Peabody, Porter, Ross, Townsend — 10.

Mr. Holden proposed an amendment on that B. and the question of adopting it, being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Deering, Dunn, Fraz, Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Monroe, O'Brien, Porter, Sargeant, Sherburne, Townsend, Warren — 15.

Nays. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chadwick, Holden, Miller, Peabody, Skidwin, Smiley, Stuart, Swan, Tallman, Wood — 12.

The question returned upon passing the vote to be engrossed and that being ordered, to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows to-wit;

Yeas. Messrs Barnard, Chase, Deering, Dunn, Fraz, Hastings, Holden, Knowlton, Monroe, O'Brien, Porter, Sargeant, Sherburne, Skidwin, Townsend, Warren & Wood — 17.

Nays. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chadwick, Holden, Miller, Peabody, Smiley, Stuart

On motion of Mr. Miller the Senate
 proceeded to the consideration of Luther
 Wood and E. B. Tibbels and Oliver Price
 et al. The Senate receded from its former
 vote indefinitely postponing the
 further consideration of the same, adopted
 the amendments on sheets B. 16,
 agreed to by the House and passed the
 residue to be superseded as thus amended
 in concurrence by yeas and nays
 as follows, to-wit;

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chauncey,
 Dunn, Hastings, Holmes, Miller.

Nays. Messrs. Porter, Rose, Smiley, Swan, Tall-
 man, Townsend, Warren & Wood — 16.

Yeas. Messrs. Deering, Fox, Kinselman,
 Monroe, Sherburne, Whittier — 6.

Adjourned.

James A. L. Foster,

Secretary.

Wednesday April 2. 1845.

On motion of Mr. Sherburne the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Bills entitled an act concerning judicial process and proceedings, and the same was passed to be engrossed and sent down for concurrence.

Resolutions in favor of Gould's Academy was read a second time and refused a passage by yeas and nays, as follows to-wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Deering, Dunn,	
Frye, Holmes, Munroe, O'Connell, Porter,	
Rose, Smiley & Wood	11.
Nays. Messrs. Barre, B. Barry, Chadwick,	
Holden, Knowlton, Lapeau,	
Strout, Swan, Tallman, Townsend &	
Warren	11.

Mr. Swan from the committee on Banks and Banking reported leave to withdraw on petition of Nathaniel Davis others. Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary presented to the Governor for approval.

1845. An act prescribing the time when 182.
certain acts of incorporation shall
take effect.

An act to increase the salary of the
Recorder of the Municipal Court of
the City of Portland.

An act for the protection of certain
roads.

An act to incorporate the Portland
Steam Packet Company.

An act in relation to Steam Navi-
gation Corporations.

An act to set off certain lands
from Westbrook and annex the same
to Portland.

An act in addition to the act in-
corporating the Kennebec and Portland
Rail Road Company.

An act authorizing the Town of Mac-
chias to purchase Machias Bridges
and establish the same as a free pub-
lic ways.

An act to incorporate the proprietors
of Howland Bridges.

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An act additional to an act
to establish the Belfast and Quebec
Rail Road Corporation

Resolves in favor of Lucinda E. Bragdon.

Resolves relating to the public Lands.

Resolves in favor of Charles Abbot.

Resolves additional concerning certain
early records of the Province of Maine.

Resolves authorizing the County commis-
sioners of the County of Franklin
to lay out a road.

Resolves in favor of Franklin Green
Junior others.

Resolves for the improvement of the Can-
ada road.

Resolves in favor of Elephelt Wason

Resolves in relation to the distribution
of the annual School funds.

Resolves in favor of James S. Foster
and

Resolves in favor of Joseph Pollard.

1845. Mr. Miller obtained leave of absence 484.
from and after Saturday next.

Resolue in favor of Monroe Academy
(laid on the table by Mr. Sargant
on leave) was read over and to-mor-
row assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act additional to
the 36th Chapter of the Revised Statutes
was read a second time and on mo-
tion of Mr. Swan laid on the table.

Mr. Wood from the Committee on
Interior Waters reported that the bill entitled
an act to incorporate the Penobscot
River Navigation Company ought
not to pass. Accepted and sent down
for concurrence.

Mr. Otis from the select committee to
whom was referred Bill entitled an
act concerning the assessment of
taxes reported the same back with a
memorandum on sheets marked L. J. H.
L. Mr. N. O. which were severally adopt-
ed.

Mr. Otis proposed to amend the bill
in Section 10 by adding to line 30 the
words following to-wit: "and all stock in-
vested in any incorporated Bank in
this State shall be taxed to the corpora-

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"him in the town in which the same is located; and said Corporation shall have a lien on all stock, so taxed for the reimbursements of such tax" and the question of agreeing to the same being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays and decided in the affirmative as follows writ;

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Beny,	
Chadwick, Dering, Fingers, Howells,	
Osby, Rose, Sarpeant, Skidwin, Tammans,	
Townsend, Warren	14.
Nays. Messrs. Dunn, Holmes, Sher-	
burne, Swan	4.

The question returned upon passing the bill to be engrossed and that was decided in the affirmative.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Rose from the Committee on engrossed bills reported as correctly and truly engrossed bills entitled;

An act to incorporate the trustees of the School fund in the town of Humphreys.

An act to incorporate the North Platte Salt Manufacturing Company

An act authorizing the laying out of a county road across such traps

An act in addition to the 19th chapter of the Revised Statutes.

An act to amend Section 8. Chapter 11. of the revised Statutes.

An additional act to regulate the Survey of Lands in the County of Penobscot.

An act additional establishing the Salary of the Clerk and commissary of the State Prison.

And

An act to change the name of certain persons and the same were severally passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Rose from the same Committee reported as truly and correctly expressed

Resolves in relation to the imprisonment of Thomas H. Scott.

Resolves in relation to the State Library.

Resolves in favor of Benjamin J. Porter.

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Resolves providing for the repair of
the Military road

and

Resolves in favor of George Williston
and the same were finally passed
and presented by the Secretary to the
governor for his approval.

Mr. Ross from the same committee
also reported as truly and earnestly
expressed into English.

An act additional to an additional
act to regulate the jurisdiction
and proceedings of the Court of Prob-
ates in the County of Lincoln ap-
proved February 29th 1844 and
the same was passed to be enacted
and presented by the Secretary to the
governor for his approval.

Resolves in favor of W^m St. Ellis and
Simon Putnam Jr. (laid on the table
in the House) was read twice the rule
being suspended and passed to be en-
acted

Report of the committee on the Judiciary
directing the resolves and report of a special
joint committee of the legislature of the com-
monwealth of Massachusetts concerning
the admission of Texas transmitted by

1445. by the governor on the 29th ultimo 1488
to be deposited with the archives of the
State, in the department of State was
accepted in concurrence.

Bills entitled an act additional to
an act entitled an act to establish
the Augusta Free Bridge came up as
amended on sheet marked A. The bill
on motion of Mr. Swan was laid on the
table.

Resolved in favor of Pamela's Wood
(laid on the table in the House) was read
twice the rule being suspended and laid
on the table.

Bills entitled an act additional to an
act entitled an act additional to an
act establishing the County of Franklin
came up amended. The bill on motion
of Mr. Sherburne was laid on the table.

Resolved, for the improvement of the Fish-
eries within this State (laid on the table
in the House) was read twice, the rule
being suspended amended as on sheet
A and the further consideration of
the same indefinitely postponed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Lucretia Bails
Academy (laid on the table by Mr. Dunn)

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Resolved in favor of Mr Churchill (laid
on the table in House.)

and

Resolves authorizing the governor to pre-
sent to the general government the claims
of Maine for remuneration of Lands
set off to claimants under the provis-
ions of article 14th of the Treaty of Wash-
ington (reported in the House from the
Joint select Committee upon the subject)
of the violation of the treaty of Washington
were severally read once and tomorrow
assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Sumner laid an order on the table
in the words following to wit,

"Ordered, that a message be sent to
the House of Representatives proposing
that this Congress adjourn to-morrow
day on Friday next and ask the
convenience of the Houses."

The question of passing the same being
ordered to be taken by yeas & nays was decided
in the negative as follows to wit;

Absent. Messrs Barnard Chandler, Seaving
Sumner, Knapp, Munroe, Taggart, Thur-
stone, Warren - - - 9.

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett Berry, Chase, Briggs,
Hastings, Holmes, Olis, Parker, Rose, Williams, Stuart,
Tamm, Tallman, Townsend, Wood - - - 15.

Adjourned,

James C. L. Foster Secretary

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Bill entitled an act in addition to the 16th Chapter of the Revised Statutes came up further amended as on sheets marked X & W. and its further consideration indefinitely postponed. The Senate concurred in the amendment on sheet marked W and nonconcurred the House in the amendment on sheet marked X which proposed to strike out of the title all after the 5th Section, by yeas and nays as follows, to-wit:

Abs. Messrs. Beerings, Holmes, Holden, Otis, Pelletury, Sargent, Skidder, Stark, Tallman, Warren — 11
Aye Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chase, Chadwick, Dunn, Fogg, Hastings, Parker, Rose, Sherburne, Swan, Townsend &c.

The title on motion of Mr. Hastings was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act to establish the Penobscot and Kennebec Rail Road came up amended as on sheet marked A. The Senate nonconcurred the House in that amendment, amended the title as on sheet B, and passed the bill.

495. to be engrossed as thus amended
sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Swan the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of bills
entitled an act additional to an
act entitled an act to establish
the Augusta Free Bridge. On his
motion the Senate nonconcurred the
House in amendment on sheet A, a-
mended the bill on sheet B and passed
it to be engrossed as amended. Sent
down for concurrence.

Resolves authorizing the Governor to
present to the general government the
claim of Maine for remuneration of
Lands set off to claimants under the
provisions of Article 4th of the Treaty
of Washington were read a second time
and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Benjamin Chas-
borne came up amended as on sheet
marked A. The Senate receded from
its vote passing the resolve to be en-
grossed. Concurred in the amendments
of the House and passed the resolve to
be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act providing for
the taxing of rail roads and rail road
property in this State / reported in the

House from the Committee on rail roads 492.
and Bridges in order relative to repealing
the act providing for the taxing
of rail roads & rail road property) was
read twice the rule being suspended and
on motion of Mr. Chase laid on the table.

Mr. Sargent moved a reconsideration
of the vote whereby the Senate yesterday
upheld the veto in favor of Gould's
Academy in Bethel a passage and
that motion was laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act concerning suits
for military fines was read a second
time and on motion of Mr. Shuburne
the further consideration of the same
was indefinitely postponed.

Resolve in favor of Leniston Falls
Academy was read a second time
and on motion of Mr. Otis laid on
the table.

Resolve in favor of Monroe Academy
was read a second time and laid on
the table.

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Churchin was
read a second time and passed to be en-
gaged in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act regulating the sale

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of intoxicating liquors came up the House having adhered to its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. Otis moved that the Senate adhere to its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed as amended, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows, to-wit;

Yea. Messrs. Barnard, Frye, Hastings, Miller, Munroe, Otis, Pillsbury, Porter, Townsend, Warren, — — — 10.

Nays. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chase, Chadwick, Deering, Holmes, Knowlton, Sargeant, Skinner, Stark, Swan, Tammam, Wood — — — 13.

Mr. Tammam moved that the Senate recede from its former vote and concur with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows:

Yea. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chadwick, Deering, Holmes, Knowlton, Otis, Sargeant, Skinner, Stark, Swan, Tammam, Warren, & Wood — — — 14.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Frye, Hastings, Holmes, Miller, Munroe, Pillsbury, Porter, Sherburne, Townsend — 11.

1845. Mr. Sherburne from the Joint Select 494
committee appointed to inquire what
claims in the name of this state
are now under the charge of our agent
at Washington against the general
government and in what manner
the same are presented, made a report.
Mr. Fraz moved that the report and
the papers accompanying the same
be printed for the use of the legislature
and that being ordered to be taken
by yeas and nays was decided in
the affirmative, as follows to-wit;
Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Berry, Seering,
Fraz, Holmes, Knowlton, Mowse,
Olis, Pittsbury, Porter, Sargeant Sher-
burne, Swan, Townsend, Warren, and
Wood - - - - - 16.
Nays Messrs. Barrett, Dunn, Hildin,
Shaw - - - - - 4.

Resolved making appropriations for
military purposes (laid on the table
by Mr. Rice on leave).

and

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
the St George Academy (laid on the
table by Mr Olis on leave) were severally
read once and tomorrow assigned
for a second reading

Bill entitled an ~~act~~ additional act
to an act additional to chapter

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97 of the revised Statutes came up the House insisting on its former vote. The Senate on motion of Mr. Chase receded from its former vote agreeing to the amendment on sheet marked B. and concurred with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed by yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Deering, Frazee, Holmes, Kim, Porter, Rose, Sargent, Sherburne, Skidwin, Swan, Townsend, Warren & Wood - 15.
Nays Messrs. Perry, Chadwick, Sumner, Holden, Strong - 5.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

Mr. Otis moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate receded from its vote adopting the amendment on sheet B. and passing to be engrossed bill entitled an act regulating the sale of intoxicating drinks, and that being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the affirmative as follows to wit.

Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Dunn, French, Frazee, Hastings, Holden, Miller, Otis, Penobscot, Porter, Rose, Sherburne - 15.
Nays Messrs. Barnard, Perry, Chadwick, Deering, Holmes, Knowlton, Sargent,

Sted Skidwin, Strunk, Swan, Tallman + 496.
Wood - - - 12.

Mr. Tallman moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas & nays was decided in the negative as follows.

Yeas Messrs. Miller, Pillsbury Town-
send - - - 3.

Nays Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Berry,
Chase, Chadwick, Deering, Dunn, French,
Frye, Hastings, Holmes, Holden,
Knowlton, Monroe, Ols, Porter, Sargeant,
Sherburne, Skidwin, Strunk, Swan, Tal-
man, Wood - - - 23.

Mr. Chase moved that the Senate insist on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed as amended on sheet B, propose a conference & appoint conferees, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas & nays was decided in the affirmative as follows, viz.

Yeas Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Deering,
Dunn, French, Frye, Hastings, Hold-
en, Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Ols,
Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Sargeant,
Sherburne, Townsend - - - 15.

Nays Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chad-
wick, Holmes, Skidwin, Strunk, Swan,

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Talman. Wood — 9.
Messrs. Chase, Shackup and His
were appointed as conferees.

Resolved for the promotion of education in the unincorporated places on the river St. John came up the House having adhered to its former vote.

Bill entitled an act establishing a board of commissioners of common schools, came up the House having receded from its former vote indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the same, and from its vote amending it on sheet marked B. and further amending the bill as on sheet marked C. and as this amended passed the same to be engrossed.

The Senate on motion of Mr. Chase adhered to its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sherburne the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bills entitled an act additional to an act entitled "an act additional to an act establishing the county of Franklin". The amendment to the bill on sheet A. was agreed to, the bill further amended as on sheet

18th. marked B. and passed to be engrossed 495.
as thus amended. Sent down for con-
currence.

Mr. Olis from the Joint Select
Committee to whom was referred
the petition of Henry Kennedy & others,
reported that legislation was inexpe-
dient on the subject of said petition.
Accepted & sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Frye from the committee on
on the Judiciary reported leave
to withdraw on petition of the in-
habitants of Bath. Accepted &
sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Frye the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of
a bill entitled an act concerning
contracts made by minors. The
bill was amended as on chert. A.
and passed to be engrossed as thus
amended. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Holden from the committee on
renewment to whom was referred an
order relating to reducing the fees of
County Commissioners reported a bill
entitled an act to reduce the compen-
sation of County Commissioners and the
report was refused an acceptance.
Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr. Talmann moved that the Senate adjourn and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows to-wit:

Yeas. Messrs Perry, Holmes, Chas. Swan Talmann — — — — — 5.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Chas. Darling, Dunn, Fry, Hastings, Holden Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Pelletury Rice, Sherburne, Stroud, Townsend & Warren — — — — — 17

Mr. Holden from the committee on engrossed bills reports as truly engrossed resolve establishing a valuation for the State of Maine.

Mr. Otis proposed an amendment. The chair decided that it could not be entertained. Mr. Otis appealed from this decision to the Senate. The chair stated the question "that the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the Senate?" and it was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Swan moved that the further consideration of the resolve be indefinitely postponed and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas & nays was decided in the negative as follows to-wit;

1845. Yeas. Messrs. Berry, Sumner, Holmes, 500.

Holden, Otis, Skillin, Swan, Tallman &
Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase,
Chadwick, Deering, Fayer, Hastings,
Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury,
Parker, Rose, Sargeant, Sherburne, Warren,
Wood — — — 17.

The question returned upon passing
the resolve to be engrossed and that being
ordered to be taken by yeas and nays
was decided in the affirmative as
follows: yeas:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Barrett, Chase,
Chadwick, Deering, Fayer, Hastings,
Knowlton, Miller, Monroe, Pillsbury,
Parker, Rose, Sargeant, Sherburne, War-
ren, Wood — — — 17.

Nays. Messrs. Berry, Sumner, Holmes,
Holden, Otis, Skillin, Swan, Tallman — 8.

Bill entitled an act relating to ap-
peals from County Commissioners
came up the House having passed the
same to be engrossed in a new draft
with an amendment thereto on sheet
A. The Senate inserted on its former
vote and indefinitely postponed the
further consideration of the bill. Sent
down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Newport Academy
(Laid on the table by Mr Rose on leave)

501.

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was read twice and laid on the
table.

Agreed,

James C. L. Foster,

Secretary.

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Bill entitled an act relating to appeals from country commissioners came up the House insisting on its former vote, proposing a conference and appointing as conferees Messrs. Fessenden, Ferry & Hayden. The Senate insisted on its former vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed as conferees Messrs. Dunn, Fiske and Sherman.

Mr. Sargeant on his request obtained leave of absence from and after Monday next.

Bill entitled an act concerning the assessment of taxes came up the House having receded from its vote adopting the amendments marked D. & E. It adopted the amendments on sheets H. I. & A. 10 in concurrence and renounced the Senate in the amendments L. M. N. & P. and passed the bill to be expressed as thus amended. The Senate insisted on its former vote adopting the amendment K. L. & M. and receded.

Friday March 4.

from its vote adopting the amendment
P. and concurred with the House in
rejecting the same, and passed the
bill to be engrossed as thus amended.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolved making appropriations
for military purposes was read a
second time, and on motion of Mr. Rice
laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act in addition
to chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes
(laid on the table by Mr. Darn on leave)
was read twice, the rule being suspended
and passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

Resolved in favor of James White Treas-
urer of State (laid on the table in the
House) was read twice, the rule being
suspended, and passed to be engrossed
in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rice the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolves
in addition to the Resolved in favor
of Pamela Wood and the same was
passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in aid of the erections of two
bridges at Cross Island, County of

525 Penobscot came up the House having 504.
adhered to its former vote. The Resolue
was laid on the table.

Resolue in favor of Rufus T. Sanborn
reported from the Committee on Military
pensions on petition of Lieutenants of
Baldwin was read once and this
afternoon assigned for a second read-
ing.

Resolue relating to the Cattleman's
Scientific exchange (laid on the table
by Mr. Holmes on leave) was read once
& this afternoon assigned for a second
reading.

Mr. Burn from the Committee of
Conference on the disagreeing vote
between the two Houses on bill entitled
an act relating to appeals from
County Commissioners made the
following report, to wit:

The conferees on the part of the Senate
on the disagreement as to the bill
relating to appeals from County
Commissioners, have met the conferees
on the part of the House and were able
to agree and accordingly recommend to
both branches to pass the bill and
draft in the form and draft here-
with submitted marked "H." The report
was accepted.

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Bill entitled an act relating to appeals from County Commissioners (reported from the Committee of Conference in a new draft marked "H") was read once and this afternoon assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Thayer Academy was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary presented to the Governor for approval Resolves establishing a valuation for the State of Maine.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

Resolve in favor of Oakman Ford (laid on the table in the House) was read twice, the rule being suspended & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Otis on his request, obtained leave of absence from and after Monday next.

Mr. Deering on his request obtained leave of absence from and after Monday next.

Res. 5. Resolved additional for payment of 506.
accounts against the State was read
twice, the rule being suspended and passed
to be expressed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to change
the name of the Great Androscoggin
Falls Mill Dam Locks and Canal
Company (laid on the table by Mr.
Holden on demand) was read twice the
rule being suspended and passed to
be expressed Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarpent the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolved
in favor of Monro Academy and
the same was passed to be expressed.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ross the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of Resolved
in favor of Newport Academy and
the same was passed to be expressed.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holmes the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of
Resolved in favor of Lewiston Falls
Academy and the same was passed
to be expressed. Sent down for con-
currence.

Mr. Tallman on his request obtained

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Leave of Absence from and after
Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Targant the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of the
motion to reconsider the vote whereby
the Senate refused a passage to the
Resolue in favor of Gould's Academy
and that question was decided in
the affirmative, and the Resolue passed
to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolue in favor of Joseph L. Monroe
(laid on the table by Mr. Hastings on
leave) was read twice the rule being
Suspended, and passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
the Thomaston Academy (laid on
the table by Mr. Bering) was read
twice the rule being suspended &
passed to be engrossed. Sent down
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Olis, the House con-
curring the Legislature adjourns
without day on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Holden the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of
bill entitled an act additional to the

245. Thirty sixth chapter of the Revised 509.
Statutes. Mr. Swan proposed an
amendment on sheet marked A.
and while that was pending the bill
was laid on the table.

Resolved for the correction of the State
valuation in the towns of Bath,
Phippsburg, Georgetown, and Farmington
in the County of Lincoln introduced
by Mr. Berry on leave was read twice
the rule being suspended and laid
on the table

Bill entitled an act relating to
appeals from County Commissioners
was read a second time amended by
striking out the sixth to the twelfth
sections inclusive by yeas and nays
as follows wais:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Bennett, Berry,
Chase, Chadwick, Deering, Hastings,
Knowlton, Monroe, Os, Pitelung,
Parker, Rice, Sherburne, Hunt, Tallman,
Townsend, Warner, Wood - 19.

Nays. Messrs. Swan, Frye, Swan. 3.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed
as thus amended, and sent down
for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tallman the
Senate proceeded to the considera-
tion of bill entitled an act providing

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for the taxing of rail roads and rail
road property in this state. The
amendment of the House on that
marked it was amend by striking
out the words "original cost" and by
inserting in lieu thereof the words
"true value" and as thus amended
was agreed to. The amendment on that
it was also adopted and the law was
passed to be engrossed as thus amended.
Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Rufus A. Sanborn
was read a second time and passed
to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve relating to the Baltimore
exchange was read a second time
and passed to be engrossed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Resolve to correct the state valuation
so far as relates to the towns of
Hallowell and Gardiner introduced
by Mr. Swan on leave was read
twice the rule being suspended and
laid on the table.

Adjourned.

James C. L. Foster.

Secretary.

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Mr. Ross found the Committee on
enquiries thus reported as truly &
concretely expressed; & the result of

Resolved for the payment of accounts against the State and the same was finally passed and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Holmes from the same com-
mitted also reported as truly and
correctly engrossed bills wished;

As a sed for the relief of bail in
criminal prosecutions.

An act providing for the marketing
of sheep.

An additional act to an act addi-
tional to chapter 97 of the revised Statu-
tes, and the same were severally passed
to be enacted and presented by the
Secretary to the Governor for his appro-
val.

Mr. Holmes from the same Committee
also reported as correctly informed

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Resolved in favor of Charles Crocker
and Wm. C. Miller

Resolved in favor of Wm. Churchill,

Resolved in favor of Wm. H. Ellis, and
Lincoln Putnam Es.

Resolved in favor of Benjamin Ches-
borne

Resolved in favor of Southwood Tilly,
E. B. Tilly and Oliver Prescott &
the same were finally passed and
presented to the Secretary to the Governor
for approval.

The House informed the Senate that
that body had ordered 150 additional
copies of the report of the joint select
committee appointed to inquire what
claims in the name of this State are
now under the charge of our agents
at Washington against the general gov-
ernment, together with 500 copies of
the report of the minority of that com-
mittee be printed for the use of the
legislature.

Resolved in favor of Union Academy
came up the further consideration
of the same indefinitely postponed.

545. On motion of Mr. Otis the residue 513
was laid on the table.

Mr. French from the Committee on Rail
Roads and Bridges to whom was referred
the memorial of John Rice in behalf
of the proprietors of Vert Bridge made
a report recommending reference of the
memorial to the next Legislature.
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Berry on his request obtained
leave of absence from one afternoon
day next.

Mr. French from the Committee on
engrossed bills reported as truly &
correctly engrossed, bill entitled;
An act concerning the assessment
of taxes and the same was passed
to be enacted and presented by the
Secretary to the Governor for his
approval.

Resolved to promote education in
the Mahanaska Settlement (laid on
the table by Rice on leave) were read
twice, the rules being suspended,
and passed to be engrossed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act regulating the
sale of intoxicating liquors came up
the house having insisted on it for

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now vote passing the bill to be engrossed
 Mr. Chase moved to lay the bill upon
 the table and that question being
 ordered to be taken by yeas and nays
 was decided in the negative as follows
 yeas:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Chase, French,
 Frye, Hastings, Holden, Monroe,
 Pinckney, Porter, Rose, Townsend, Wood B.
 Nays. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chadwick,
 Dearing, Holmes, Knowlton, Skidaw,
 Smith, Stunt, Swan, Tallman, Wood D.

Mr. Os. was excused from voting.

The question returned upon receding
 from the vote adopting the amendments
 on sheet B. and passing the bill to be
 engrossed in concurrence with the House
 and that being ordered to be taken by yeas
 and nays was decided in the negative
 as follows, yeas:

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Berry, Chadwick,
 Dearing, Holmes, Knowlton, Os., Skidaw,
 Smith, Stunt, Swan, Tallman, Wood B.
 Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Chase, French,
 Frye, Hastings, Holden, Monroe,
 Pinckney, Porter, Rose, Skidaw, Townsend B.
 Adjourned.

Afternoon.

Bill entitled an act providing for
 the selling of rail roads and rail road
 property in this State came up further

945 amended. The Senate agreed to the 515.
amendment of the House and passed
the bill to be engrossed as amended by
yeas and nays as follows: Yeas:

Yea. Messrs. Barnard, Barnum, Chubb,
Chadwick, Sturges, French, Hastings,
Holden, C. H. Skinner, Smith, Thout,
Swan, Tallman, Thomas Warren - 16.

Nay. Messrs. Sterling, Thurston - 3.

Bill entitled an act to change the time
of rendering certain official accounts
and making returns (laid on the table
in the House) was read twice the rules
being suspended, and passed to be engrossed
in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act in relation to the
survey of lumber in the County of Per-
uisscot (laid on the table in the House)
was read twice the rules being suspended
and passed to be engrossed in con-
currence.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Hoagdon
(laid on the table in the House) was
read twice the rules being suspended,
and passed to be engrossed in con-
currence.

Bill entitled an act relating to ap-
peals from County Commissioners came
up the House having been concurred
the Senate in its amendment, and having
further amended the bill as on that,

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amended marked A & B. and as amended passed the same to be engrossed. The Senate adhered to its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the towns of Canaan and Pittsfield came the House having indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the same. The Senate adhered to its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the Poughaw-Bank came up the House having adhered to its former vote. The Senate adhered.

Bill entitled an act additional to the 77th Chapter of the revised statutes came up the House insisting on its former vote, proposing a conference, and appointing conferees. The Senate adhered to its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Burr ordered that the 21, 22, 23, 24 & 25, rules of the Senate be suspended for and during the remainder of the session.

Resolves in relation to the infraction of the Treaty of Washington came up amended as an act marked S. The Senate non-concurred the House insisting on its former vote.

1845. Bill entitled an act regulating the 555.
Collection of Taxes in incorporeable places,
reported in the House from the com-
mittee on the Judiciary, on order
relative to repealing title entitled an
act additional to the 14th Chap-
ter of the Revised Statute, was read
twice and the further consideration
of the same indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Rose from the Committee on
expressed title, reported as truly expressed
Resolves in favor of Sea, Normal Acade-
my and the same was, finally passed
& presented by the Secretary to the
governor for approval.

Mr. Rose from the same committee
also reported as correctly expressed
title entitled an act additional to
an act entitled an act to estab-
lish the Augusta Druggists and
the same was finally passed
and presented by the Secretary to
the Governor for approval.

Mr. Rose from the same committee
also reported as correctly expressed,
title entitled an act to incorporate
the Thomaston Academy. on mo-
tion of Mr. Chis, the title was laid
on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rose the Senate pro-
ceeds to the consideration of Resolved matters

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appropriations for military purposes and the same was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to reduce the salary of the Adjutant General (laid on the table in the house) was read twice the rule being suspended, and passed to be engrossed by yeas and nays as follows. Yeas.

Yea. Messrs. Barnes, Bennett, Darling, Chadwick, Fiske, Holmes, Holden, Knowlton, Peter, Sherman, Tilden, Smiley, Stuart, Swanwick & Havens 15.
Nay. Messrs. Davis, Fitch, Hastings, Monroe, Pitkin, Rice, Townsend 7.

Resolved in favor of the inhabitants of the town of Mayfield (laid on the table in the House) was read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act in addition to an act in relation to steam boat navigation corporations (laid on the table in the House) came up passed to be engrossed. The Senate indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the same.

Order from the House directing the printer to the State to transmit to the members of the Legislature, by mail, the reports

1845 of the majority & minority of the joint 519
Select committee in relation to the
claims of this State upon the general
government was indefinitely postponed.

Bill entitled an act concerning the
State prison came up. The House
having indefinitely postponed the
further consideration of the same.
On motion of Mr. Chi. The bill was
laid on the table.

Bill entitled an act relating to
buildings owned by tenants in com-
mon. Came up Amended & the fur-
ther consideration of the same indefi-
nitely postponed. The Senate insisted
on its former vote. Sent down for
concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Swan the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of
resolves to correct the State valua-
tion so far as relates to the towns
of Hallowell and Gardiner. On this
motion the resolve was referred to a
Select committee consisting of
Messrs. Swan, Himes, & Bonney.

Adjourned.

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Secretary.

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Resolve in favor of the town of Haverhill was read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act defining and limiting the duties of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives (laid on the table in the House) was read and its further consideration postponed to the seventh day of April A. D. 1845.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Boutwell's Academy in Bethel came up the house having in definitely postponed the further consideration of the same. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to alter the time of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Somerset came up the further consideration of the same in definitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to abolish the 531.
pay of Militia officers (laid on the table
in the house) was read and the further
consideration of the same indefinitely
postponed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate
the Pope's Mineral Spring Company
came up the House insisting on its former
mode. The Senate adjourned. Sent down
for concurrence.

The joint order passed on the 4th Inst.
proposing that the Legislature adjourn
till the 1st day of June came up amended
by striking out the word Monday &
inserting in lieu thereof Tuesday.
The amendment was agreed to and the
order passed as amended.

Mr. Rose from the Committee on En-
grossed bills reported as correctly en-
grossed bills entitled.

An act concerning contracts made
by minors.

An act additional to the 13th Chap-
ter of the Revised Statute.

An act to establish the Penobscot
and Kennebec Rail Road Company.

An act additional to an act
entitled an act additional to an act

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establishing the County of Franklin, and the same were severally passed to be enacted and presented to the Governor for approval.

Mr. Rose from the same committee also reported as truly and lovingly engrossed

Resolves additional for the payment of accounts against the State.

Resolves in favor of Rufus W. Sanborn.

Resolves in favor of James Whit Treasurer of State.

Resolves authorizing the Governor to present to the general government the claims of Maine for remuneration for lands set off to claimants under the Treaty of Washington.

Resolves in favor of Oakman Ford.

Resolves explanatory of Resolves in favor of Wm. H. Pope and Samuel W. Pope" approved March 21, 1845 and the same were severally finally passed and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Bills introduced an act authorizing the donors of the Augusta Free Bridge to receive bonds for the pay

St. S. went through said on the table by 523.

Mr. Mr. on leave was read nice.

Mr. Mr. moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the same, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows said:

Yeas. Messrs. Chadwick, Dunn,
Ding, Hastings, Monroe, Skidwin,
Tuan - 7.

Nays. Messrs. Randall, Barrett,
Bruck, Holmes, Mr. Porter, Short-
tune, Smiley, Stuart, Tammam
Townsend, Warren - 12.

The question returned upon passing the bill to be expressed, and that being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, was decided in the affirmative as follows said,

Yeas. Messrs. Bernard, Barrett, Bruck,
Holmes, Mr. Porter, Shorttune, Smiley,
Tammam, Townsend - 10.

Nays. Messrs. Chadwick, Chadwick,
Dunn, Ding, Hastings, Monroe,
Skidwin, Tuan Warren - 9.

Put down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bruck ordered that there be made up on the pay roll to James C. L. Foster Secretary, his full pay for the duties connected with that office according to the rates allowed for similar services, last year.

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On motion of Mr. Ross, ordered That the Secretary be directed to make up the pay of the Rev. John St. Ignace (Chaplain of the Senate) at one dollar per day.

On motion of Mr. Dunn ordered That the Secretary be directed to make up the pay now up to and including tomorrow, and that the same pay be made up to Benj. F. Cullen for his services, as messenger and his assistants, as was allowed for similar service, last year.

On motion of Mr. Dunn ordered That a message be sent to the House informing that Branch that a vacancy exists at the Senate board occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. James McLean, and that Benj. F. McLean and Thomas F. Wentworth are the constitutional candidates to fill said vacancy, and that the Senate propose a conference of the two branches to be held in the Hall of the House this afternoon at half past two o'clock for the purpose of filling the same and ask the concurrence of the House.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

445. A message was received from the 525.
House concerning the foregoing
proposition.

Resolves providing the several depart-
ments of the government necessary
blanks, binding and ruling (laid on
the table in the House) was read and
passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to repeal Chapter
126 of the revised Statutes, (laid on the
table by Mr. Holmes) was read and
referred to the next Legislature. Sent
down for concurrence.

Mr. Swan from the Select Committee
to whom was referred Resolved to correct
the State Valuation so far as relate,
to the towns of Hallowell and Gardiner
reported them back in a new draft
by the title of Resolved to alter the valua-
tion of certain towns in the County of
Kennebec. Mr. Pillsbury moved that
the further consideration of the same
be indefinitely postponed and that
question being ordered to be taken by
yeas and nays was decided in the
negative as follows: WID;

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Chaceick,
Dodge, Hastings, Pillsbury, Rice,
Stunt, Townsend 8.

Nays. Messrs. Barnet, Dunn, French,
Holmes, Monroe, Kittins, Smith,
Swan, Warren, Wood 10.

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On motion of Mr. Chadwick the resolution was amended as on Sept 4 & it, further considered was then indefinitely postponed. By yeas and nays as follows, to-wit:

Yeas. Messrs. Barnard, Bart, Chase, Chadwick, Fry, Hastings, Monroe, Orr, Pillsbury, Porter, Rice, Shortness, Throckmold, Townsend. 14.

Nays. Messrs. Dunn, Holmes, Hodge, Kidder, Smiley, Swan, Tallman. 7.

Adjourned.

Afternoon.

Agreeably to assignment the two houses met in convention for the purpose of electing a Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the first Senatorial district occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. James Osborn.

Messrs. Orr and Smiley of the Senate and Messrs. Bernhardt of Hennepin, Knapp of Ramsey, Biddeford and Erick of Lincoln were appointed a committee to receive votes and count the votes for a Senator to fill said vacancy. The committee attended to their duty and reported that the whole number of votes collected was

95.

Necessary to a choice 48.

Benjamin Tillman has 86.

Blounts 9.

1845. Benjamin F. Mosmont was according 527
by declared duly elected Senator
to fill the vacancy existing in the
first Senatorial District.

The convention then separated.

Mr. Schuyler from the committee on
enrolled bills reported as truly and
correctly engrossed the enrolled an act
regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors
and the same was refused a passage
by yeas and nays as follows: yeas

Yeas. Messrs. Barrett, Chas. Clark,
Dennis, Brewster, Sherburne, Skidmore
Smiley, Smith, Swan, Wood - 10.

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Chase
Stann, French, Gray, Hastings, Holden,
Cox, Munn, Olis, Pelusbury, Roberts
Rice, Townsend - 13.

The Secretary presented to the Governor
for approval the enrolled an act to set
off a part of the town of Bluehill.

Bills entitled; an act to provide for
the expenditures of government

An act to appropriate and assess on
the inhabitants of this State a tax of
one hundred and fifty one thousand
nine hundred thirty seven dollars
thirty five cents for the year 1845.

An act to appropriate and assess on
the inhabitants of this State a tax of two

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hundred and two thousand five hundred eighty three dollars and thirteen cents for the year 1846. and the same was severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved directing the Treasurer of the State to furnish cities, towns and plantations with a copy of the general tax act and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. C. the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the entitled an act to incorporate the Thomaston Academy and the same was passed to be enacted and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Resolved to promote education in Madawaska Settlement came up as amended as on 2nd March 1846. The amendment was agreed to and the Resolved was passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to incorporate the St George Academy came up its further consideration indefinitely postponed. The Senate insists on its former vote, proposes a conference and appointed as conferees Messrs. C. Chadwick and Chase. Sent down for concurrence.

1845. Residue in favor of Twicken Falls Academy came up the further consideration of the same indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote proposed a conference & appeared as conferees Messrs. Holmes, Ward & Strout. Sent down for concurrence.

Residue in favor of Samuel Belcher was passed to be imposed in concurrence.

Residue for the Mary Hill of the House of Representatives was passed to be imposed in concurrence.

Residue in favor of Joseph Lillmore came up the further consideration of the same indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Residue in favor of Gould's Academy in Bethel came up the further consideration of the same indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote. proposed a conference and appeared as conferees Messrs. Holmes, Ward & Strout. Sent down for concurrence.

Residue in favor of Newport Academy came up the further consideration of the same indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote.

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proposed a conference & approved as conference. Messrs. Holmes, Wood & Stuart sent down for concurrence.

Resolve making appropriations for military purposes came the further consideration of the same indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to abolish the pay of Militia Officers, came up the House having adhered to its former vote. The Senate adhered.

Resolve for the pay roll of the Senate laid on the table by Mr. Stann was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stann the Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill entitled an act additional to the 36th Chapter of the Revised Statutes, the question pending being on the adoption of the amendment proposed by Mr. Stann. and that was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Fry moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate agreed to the amendments, and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided

Ques. in the negative as follows writ. 535.

Yours Messrs. Barnard, Chase, Chad-
wick, Fry, Hastings, Pelistun, Per-
ter, Rose

Says Messrs. Barnett, Dunn, Holmes,
Holden, Monroe, Mr. Shortburn, Skid-
daway, Smiley, Stuart, Swan, Townsend Wood B.

Mr. Pelistun moved that the fur-
ther consideration of the bill be indef-
initely postponed and that question
being ordered to be taken by yeas and
nays was decided in the negative as
follows writ.

Yours Messrs. Messrs. Chase, Fry,
Hastings, Mr. Pelistun, Porter, Rose,
Townsend

Says Messrs. Barnard, Barnett, Chad-
wick, Dunn, Holmes, Holden, Knowl-
ton, Shortburn, Skid- Smiley, Stuart,
Swan, Wood

The question returned upon passing
the bill to be engrossed and being ordered
to be taken by yeas and nays was
decided in the affirmative as follows
writ.

Yours Messrs. Barnard, Barnett, Dunn,
Holmes, Knowlton, Shortburn, Skid-
daway, Smiley, Stuart, Swan, Wood 12,
Says Messrs. Chase, Chadwick,
Fry, Hastings, Mr. Pelistun, Per-

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Rice Townsend

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Resolue fixing the valuation of certain
 tons in this Act (laid on the table in
 the House) was read and the question
 of giving the same a passage being
 ordered to be taken by yeas and
 nays was decided in the negative
 as follows, vizt,

Yeas. Messrs. Chase, Dunn, Holmes,
 Porter, Skiffin, Wood - 6.
 Nays Messrs. Barnard, Bartlett, Chad-
 wick, French, Fry, Haskins, Holmes,
 Knowlton, Lee, Pillsbury, Rice, Sher-
 burne, Smiley, Swan, Townsend - 15.

Resolue in favor of Joseph Perry
 (laid on the table in the House) was
 read and passed to be expressed in
 Concurrence.

Mr. Chadwick moved to reconsider
 the vote whereby the Senate passed to
 be expressed into written an act au-
 thorizing the donors of the Augusta
 Free Bridge to receive back in pay-
 ment money and that question being
 ordered to be taken by yeas and
 nays was decided in the affirm-
 ative as follows vizt,

Yeas. Messrs. Bartlett, Chase, Chad-
 wick, Dunn, French, Fry, Haskins,
 Hilden, Knowlton, Monroe, Pills-
 bury, Rice, Sherburne, Smiley, Swan

Ms. Jan. Penn and 18. 533.
Mays Messrs. Barnard, C. P. 3.

Mr. Chadwick moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bills entitled an act to reduce the salary of the Adjutant General. On motion of Mr. Brown that motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Rose from the Committee on engrossed bills, reported as correctly engrossed bills entitled

An act to change the name of the Great Andrews & Co. Sales, Mill & Saw, Lick, and Canal Company.

An additional act in relation to the Survey of Lumber in the County of Penobscot.

An act for the incorporation of the Augusta and Boston Steam Transportation Company.

An act to incorporate the Eastern Steam Navigation Company.

An act in addition to Chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes.

An act to incorporate the Hallowell Steam Navigation Company.

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An act to incorporate the Oldham
Mills & Loom Company.

An act to Change the time of ten-
dering certain official accounts
and making returns.

An act concerning judicial
process and proceedings.

An act to establish a registry
of deeds and one time yearly of the
Court of Probate in the Northern Dis-
trict of the County of Anneton.

An act relating to appeals, from
County Commissioners.

and

An act to incorporate the Bangor
Steam Navigation Company and
the same were severally passed to
be enacted and presented by the
Secretary to the Governor for ap-
proval.

Mr. Rice from the same Com-
mittee also reported as correctly
and truly expressed.

Resolved relating to the Baltimore Sci-
entific exchange.

Resolved in favor of the Loan of
Hampfield.

Res. Resolves in relation to the infraction 535
of the Treaty of Washington.

Rescue providing the several departments of the government with necessary blanks, binding and ruling.

Rescue in favor of the town of New
over.

Rescue in favor of Joseph Haysden.

Rescue in favor of Pamela Wood
and

Rescue authorizing and directing
the land agent to sell at public
auction 100 lots of land in Franklin
County, and the same were severally
passed and passed by the Sec.
relating to the Governor for approval.

Adjourned.

James C. L. Foster Secy.

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Bill entitled an act to incorporate the S^t George Academy came up amended. The Senate agreed to the amendments and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to repeal the 52^d Chapter of the Revised Statutes (Vignettes) in the House from the committee on agriculture on petition of John S. Peckham was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act additional to the 34th Chapter of the Revised Statutes, came up amended as to that A. Mr. Pillsbury moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill and that question being ordered to be taken by yeas and nays was decided in the negative as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Chase, Chace, Chick, Buck, Hennes, Pillsbury, Porter, Rose, Townsend

Nays. Messrs. Barnard, Fann, Briggs, Holmes, Holden, Shortness, Thellus, Truhey, Wood

Mr. S. The question returned upon passing the 537.
bill to be engrossed and that being ordered
to be taken by yeas and nays was
decided in the negative as follows
to wit.

Yea Messrs. Barnard, Chas. Crockett, Sumner,
Fitz, Hastings, Holmes, Holden,
Monroe, Thurman, Skidder, Smiley,
Downsall, And - - - 13.

Nay Messrs. Chase, Plafing, Porter 3.

Resolved in favor of James White (laid
on the table in the House) was passed
to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of James S. Bennett,
and Windsor (laid on the table in the
House) was passed to be engrossed
in concurrence.

Bill entitled an act to provide in
part of the expenditures of government
(laid on the table in the House) was
passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Porter the Senate
proceeded to the consideration of the
motion to reconsider the vote whereby
the Senate passed to be engrossed. Bill
entitled an act to reduce the salary
of the Adjutant General and
the motion was decided in the negative.

Order from the House approving Messrs.
Ward of Monroe, Alderman of Wells

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Charles J. Portland, Holman of Disfree
Holman of Cardinaw with such as the
Senate may join to visit upon the
governor and inform him that both
branches of the Legislature have passed
upon all the business which has come
before them and are ready to receive
any communication he may be pleased
to make. The Senate joined Messrs
Hastings, Smiley & Wood in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunn. Ordered that
a message be sent to the House in-
forming that today, that the Senate
purpose that both branches, then they
next adjourn, adjourn without day,
and ask the concurrence of the House.

A message was received from the
House concerning the foregoing propo-
sitions.

On motion of Mr. Smiley. Ordered that
the Secretary be directed to notify
Benj. F. Mason that he has been
constitutionally elected Senator to fill
the vacancy in the first Senatorial
district.

Mr. Row from the Committee on edu-
cation bills reported as evenly em-
powered.

Resolved to promote education in the
Massachusetts Settlement

Res. Resolves for the pay now of the House 539.
of Representatives

Resolve in favor of Joseph Perry,

Resolve for the pay now of the Senators
of Representative.

Resolve in favor of Samuel Belcher,
and

Resolves directing the Treasurer of State
to furnish Cities, towns and plantations
with a copy of the general tax
act and the same were severally
finally passed and presented to the
Governor for approval.

Mr. Rice from the same Committee
also reported as earnestly expressed
his inability; an act to apportion
and assess on the inhabitants
of this state a tax of one hundred
fifty one thousand nine hundred
thirty seven dollars, thirty five
cents, for the year 1845.

An act to provide in part for the
expending of Government

An act to apportion and assess
on the inhabitants of this state
a tax of two hundred and two thou-
sand five hundred and eighty three
dollars and thirteen cents, for the
year 1846 and the same were
severally passed to be enacted

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and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for approval.

Mr. Hastings from the Committee appointed to look upon the Governor reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them and that the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith communicate to both branches of the Legislature the Secretary of State.

Resolved fixing the relations of certain towns in the State came up upon the next Legislature. The Senate referred the same in concurrence.

Mr. Dunn from the Committee on the State Prison to know was referred the report of the warden of the State Prison reported that the same be filed in the archives of the State.

Order directing the Secretary of State to put away the town returns and country books with the accompanying papers of the valuation of 1845 was passed in concurrence.

Resolved in favor of Lincolns Academy in Bethel came up the House insisting on its former vote. The Senate indefinitely postponed the same in concurrence.

Res. Mr. Rose from the Committee on - 348
passed bills, reported as truly expressed

Rescue in favor of James L. Bennett,
and William Rose.

Rescue in favor of James White
and the same were severally finally
passed & presented by the Secretary
to the Governor for approval.

Mr. Rose from the same Committee
reported as truly expressed bills
enrolled:

An act to incorporate the S. Eng
Academy.

An act to provide in part for the
expenditures of government. and
the same were severally passed &
to be enacted, and presented by the
Secretary to the Governor for approval.

A message was received from the
Governor through the Secretary of State
transmitting the bills of acts and Res-
olutions passed by this Legislature which
he had approved and informing the Sen-
ate that he had no further communica-
tions to make.

Mr. Holmes then rose and said:

Mr. President,

I wish to offer a resolution
which I shall beg leave to lay upon

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The Secretary table the bill & read
the action of the Senate thereon.

I do not offer it, Sir, so much in accordance to a mere custom, as I do from a strong sense of propriety and duty in regard to the expression due on this occasion to the Chair and to my fellow laborers at this board.

The duties of a presiding officer of a deliberative assembly are always not only of a great responsibility, but of labor and perplexing anxiety. The situation is peculiarly calculated to tax the patience and equanimity of the officer, and demands from all interested a liberal exercise of mutual concivency, kindness and forbearance. I trust Sir, I may be allowed to say that to a cheerful acquiescence to the practice of these, especially on the part of the Chair, may be attributed the prevalence of so much harmony of intercourse at this board during the past session. While every day has brought subjects for discussion, upon which there could not be unanimity either of sentiment or of legislative action. For his kindness and indulgence to us, in behalf of this board, and more especially in behalf of the minority, I would tender to the President our cordial thanks, and gladly embrace this opportunity of publicly expressing our approval of the manner in which he has performed the onerous

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board devolved upon him.

We would humbly acknowledge our
indebtedness to the Almighty, for the
measure of health which we have in-
dividually and generally enjoyed,
while here assembled, and that no
interruptions in our labors from the
many casualties incident to life has
occurred.

We have been associated Sir, for the
last three months, in labors of moment
to our constituents, the results of which
will be productive of consequences, either
of good or evil to the people, who have
reposed trust of such magnitude
to our hands. Now well we have
discharged our duty in this respect,
time only can show. Circumstances
beyond our control imposed upon
us labors which could not be dis-
pensed with, and which have pro-
longed the session beyond a usual
length.

I believe I may say, however, that no
subject has preoccupied itself for our action
that has not had a careful and
patient investigation, and although
during our deliberations, too many have
sometimes honestly differed from each
other, in many particulars, and in the
order of debate, perhaps manifested a
warmth apparently beyond the bounds
of discreet moderation. Yet upon sober
second thought the treatment of the

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moment has passed away, and a cheerful acquiescence has been given to the suggestions of prudence and reason. The free and frank interchange of sentiments with each other coming together as we have from different locations in a widely extended State, each having its own peculiarities, over which we were severally chosen to watch, has done much to enlighten one another respecting the reasons, as well as the wants, of the whole, and to impress us with cautious and circumspection in promoting our own immediate interests, at the expense of those of others equally important. While we have thus learned each others views in matters of general good, may we not indulge the hope that acquaintances and friendships have been formed that shall be as lasting as life, and which will afford solace in the trouble, and trials of many a future hour.

We are now soon to dissolve our connexion - again to return to our private stations to become, as it were, separate particles of the source of power from which we emanated.

This is a peculiar trait in Democratic Governments and one which is a strong preservation of our rights and liberties. But in this capacity of private citizens, though we may have

But, no specific and delegated authority, 545
yet let us remember that we are not
without power or responsibility. We
have duties devolving upon us, imposed
by obligations so strong and imper-
ative that no man can neglect
them without being a traitor to his
country and a renegade from the
faith of our revolutionary fathers.

In our primary assemblies - in our
daily intercourse with our fellow-men
at our own "hearth stones" it is
incumbent upon us to demonstrate
by our actions, our lives, and our
precepts, the peculiar beauties and
the practical bearings of the system
of our republican government, estab-
lished by those who purchased our
inestimable privileges with their lives
and sealed the coronad of them with
their blood.

Let us therefore look well to ourselves
and bear in mind, that although we
now resign the high trusts that have
been reposed in us in these halls, we
do not put off in the least our re-
sponsibility, as men, but be careful
to guard ourselves against all un-
hastened promptings of ambition
or party pride which may lead us
into those political temptations, or
yielding to which may ultimately
lead to a subversion of these equal
rights which form the corner stone
of our republic.

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In a manifestation of these Sins, it may be safely averred that the private citizen has more power than the lawgiver. When he invests with the temporary duty of embodying his will in the form of a statute, since every law in order to become active, containing principle, and not a dead letter, must be an expression of popular will. That this public will which is only an aggregate of private opinions, should be correct in theory as well as practice must be evident to every one. When he remembers that the history of popular governments, as well as every day's experience, proves that majorities may play the tyrant as completely and as effectually as the vilest despot with an army of hushing dogs at his beck & command.

These reflections ought to teach us to weigh well the consequences of our political action to others and to ourselves. We may be said to inspire us with a spirit of liberalizing moderation & justice.

Influenced by these impressions, may we spend our lives, in the good work of political and social reform. Our fathers commenced this work. Ages must pass away ere it is finished. May we all do good service in rolling forward the period of a just and impartial freedom to every son

845 and daughter of the children of men; 541
illustrating by our examples the beauty
and harmony of a well regulated gov-
ernment of the people in fostering and
preaching with equal solicitude, the
most humble and lowly of our spe-
cies, as well as the strongest and
most gifted in the land. It is all
heartily co-operate in the glorious cause
of social improvement - instant in
every good word and work, his
"Life's pipe scene is over,"
and we shall be summoned to meet
in the general assembly above - "a band
of brothers around the Eternal Throne".

Mr. Adams then offered the following
resolution which was unanimously adopted
and

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of
this board be tendered to the Hon. Man-
ly B. Townsend for the able, dignified,
prompt and impartial manner in
which he has presided over us during
the past session, and that we beg
him to accept our warmest wishes
for his safe return to his family -
uninterrupted happiness in all the
relations of this life and the best of
Heaven's blessings in the next.

The President then addresses the Society
as follows:

Friends:

Accept my warmest thanks for the

548. very gratifying manner in which you have been pleased to express an approval of my services.

The generous forbearance by which you have sought to relieve the embarrassment, and errors of inexperience, — your promptness to aid in the discharge of responsible duties, imputed to me by your parkaling, — the kindness and courtesy uniformly manifested towards me personally, will always be treasured among the most grateful and pleasing recollections of my life.

Senators: — we leave this Chamber well assured that we shall not all meet here again. In thus separating let the higher considerations of a common interest and a common destiny banish from each mind, whatever germ of bitterness, conflicting interests, and views may have sought to engender there, remembering that our responsibility is all matters of conscience and duty, to God and not to man.

My best wishes for your welfare and happiness are always with you. May you have a safe and pleasant return to your home, and friends.

On motion of Mr. Smith Resolved that the thanks of this board be given to James C. L. Peters for the faithful and assiduous manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the session now past, and beg him to accept the assurance of our esteem and

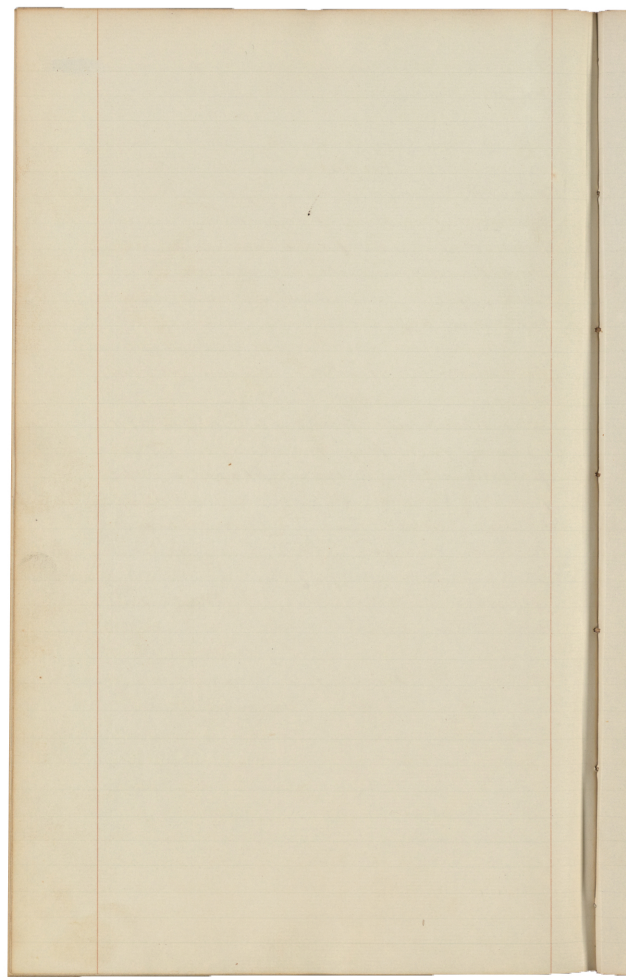
best wishes, for his future welfare and 549
happiness.

On motion of Mr. Smiley, Resolved
That the Thanks of the Senate be tendered
to our assistant Secretary for his attention
to the duties that have devolved on
him during the past session, and
that we assure him of our earnest
wishes, for a long continuance of his health
and future happiness.

On motion of Mr. Rose, Resolved that the
Thanks of the Senate be tendered to the
Rev. Edmund Ingraham for the faithful
and satisfactory manner he has
performed the duties of Chaplain the
present session, and he has, our best
wishes, that he may be blessed with health
and long life.

On motion of Mr. French the Senate
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