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State of Maine:

Augusta, Wednesday, January 5th 1842.

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:

First Senatorial District:

Yorke:

Messrs. Thomas G. Lane,
Thomas Goodwin, J. C.
Elisha Redwell.

Second Senatorial District:

Cumberland Co.:

Messrs. Jonathan Smith,
Joseph Brown,
Mehack Humphrey,
Philip Eastman.

Third Senatorial District:

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Messrs. Edward Kavanagh,
Joshua Patterson,
Smith Fairfield,
William R. Fry.

Smith

Fourth Senatorial District

— Kennebec. —

Messrs. John Otis,
 Timothy F. Hanson,
 Merrill Abouge,
 William Alger.

Fifth Senatorial District

— Waldo. —

Messrs. Ephraim A. Smart,
 Joshua F. Elliot.

Sixth Senatorial District

— Hancock. —

Mr. Rowland F. Bridgman.

Seventh Senatorial District

— Hancock and Washington. —

Mr. Jacob Loomis.

Eighth Senatorial District

— Washington. —

Mr. Benjamin P. Leavitt.

Ninth Senatorial District

— Washington and Arcesteck. —

Mr. William Petersdorn.



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Third Senatorial District

Senators:

Messrs. Amasa Stetson

Samuel H. Blake

Thomas C. Partridge

Ninth Senatorial District

Senator:

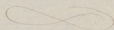
Mr. John S. Barnard.

Fourteenth Senatorial District

Representative:

Messrs. Lillman L. Bennett

Silas Barnard.



The Convention was called to order by Mr. Kavanagh, on whose motion, Mr. Bennett was called to the chair.

On motion of Mr. Clough:

Ordered: That a message be sent to the Governor and Council informing them that a quorum of the Senators elect are in attendance and ready to take and subscribe the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. Which message was delivered by Mr. Clough;— who reported that the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend in the Senate Chamber and administer the oaths required by the Constitution:

Whereupon the Governor and Council came in, attended by the Secretary of State, before whom the Senators elect took and subscribed

subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties:— After which the Governor and his attendants withdrew.—

On motion of Mr. Ecclesdornick,
Ordered: That Messrs. Ecclesdornick, Smith and Goodwin,
be a Committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for
President.

Which Committee, having attended to
that duty, Reported:— That the whole number of votes
was,

Necessary to a choice	14.
Samuel H. Blake, for	22.
John Als.	3.
Merrill Blough	1.

Samuel H. Blake, was, accordingly declared
duly elected. He signified his acceptance by an
address;— and took the chair,—

President's Address:

Senators:

I thank you for the honor you have
conferred upon me: I have no experience in the discharge
of the duties your partiality has assigned me: I can,
therefore, only promise perfect impartiality, and the
exercise of that talent God has vouchsafed to me;
relying always upon the courtesy of your honorable Body,
to excuse mistakes and pardon my deficiencies.—

On motion of Mr. Smith:
Ordered: That Messrs. Smith, Blough and Barnard
be a Committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for Senators:
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Which Committee, having attended to the 5th
duties assigned it, Reported; That the whole
number of votes was 26.
Necessary to a choice 14.
Sre Haskell had 23.
Daniel Sanborn " 4.

Sre Haskell was declared
duly elected; and took and subscribed the
oaths required by the Constitution, before Asaph
R. Nichols, Esquire, authorized by Jedimus Tobolsky,
in presence of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Putgham:
Ordered; That Secretary be authorized to employ
an assistant.

The Secretary informed the Senate
that he had employed Andrew J. Palmer,
as Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Smart,
Ordered; That Messrs. Smart, Ayer and Humphrey
be a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for
a Meppenger.

Which Committee, having attended to the
duties assigned it, reported; That the whole number of
votes is 25.

Necessary to a choice 13.
Willard Brackett, had 21.
William E. Kimball 4.

Willard Brackett was accordingly
declared duly elected.

On Motion

On motion of Mr. Eastman.

Ordered; That a Messager be sent to the Governor and Council, informing that Body that the Senate is duly organized by the election of the Honorable Samuel H. Blake as President, and Isaac Haskell Esq. as Secretary: Which Message was conveyed by Mr. Eastman.

On motion of Mr. Humphrey.

Ordered: That a Messenger be sent to the House of Representatives informing that Branch of the Legislature, that the Senate is duly organized by the election of the Honorable Samuel H. Blake, as President, and Isaac Haskell Esquire, as Secretary: Which Message was conveyed by Mr. Humphrey.

On motion of Mr. Bennett.

Ordered: That the Secretary of State be requested to deposit with the Senate the Journals of the past Session.

The Secretary of State came in, and laid, upon the table, a list of votes given in the several Cities, Towns and Plantations, in the State, for Senators; and the same.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin,

was referred to a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Goodwin, Hanson, Kavanagh, Burleigh, Barnard, of Bedford, Leavitt, Bridgman, Elliott, Smith and Lomet.

On motion of Mr. Lane:

Ordered: That the Messenger be authorized to employ an Assistant; and he accordingly employed John McLaughlin.

On motion

On motion of Mr. Page: 7

Ordered: That Messrs. Ayer, Fairfield, Hutton, Eastman, and Brown be a Committee to invite the several officiating Clergymen, in Augusta and Hallowell, to perform, in rotation, according to seniority, the duties of Chaplain in the Senate during the session of the Legislature. —

On motion of Mr. Eastman:

Ordered: That the Secretary of this 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 tickets, and occupy the same during the session, unless otherwise agreed to by the President.

On motion of Mr. Bidghead:

Ordered: That the Rules and Orders of the last Senate be adopted as the Rules and Orders of this Senate, unless otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Smith:

Ordered: That when the Senate adjourns, it shall adjourn until three of the clock in the afternoon.

Adjourned:

AfternoonNot according to adjournment

The Secretary of State came in and laid upon the table the returns of votes given in the several Cities, Towns and Plantations, in this State, for Governor for the current political year, and the same.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, were referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs. Bennett, Olds, Sage, Humphrey and Bodwell, with such as the House may join: Read and passed: Laid down for concurrence; came up, and Messrs. Green, Goff, Caldwell, Smith, Thorp, Eastman, Swan, Cane, Mayny, White, Barton, Crocker and Stone were joined, in concurrence.

A Message was received from the House, by Mr. Gunn, informing the Senate, that Body, was duly organized, by the election of Charles Andrus, Esq. as Speaker, and William T. Johnston, as Clerk.

A Message was received from the Governor, by the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual Reports of the Land Agents and Adjutant General; also a Message relating to the printing of certain Documents for the use of the Legislature, which were laid upon the table; Also a Message from the Governor, communicating a Report of the Council, in relation to the vote on the proposed amendments to the Constitution; and on the question, whether the number of Representatives shall be increased or diminished, and the same was laid upon the table; and five hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

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On motion of Mr. Lane. 9

Ordered: That Messrs. Lane, Ellis and Bledsoe, be a Committee, with such as the House may join, to contract for the job printing for the current political year: Read and passed; Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. Stevens, Pike, Loring, Allard and Garcelon were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Eastman.

Ordered: That when the Senate adjourns it shall adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at half past ten of the clock.

On motion of Mr. Bennett,

the Senate

Adjourned.

Attest Core Haskell, Secretary.

Thursday January 6. 1842.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Bennett, from the Committee, to which was referred the return of votes for Governor, the current political year, in the several Cities, Towns, and Plantations in the State, made the following

Report.

That the whole number of votes, allowed by the Committee to have been duly returned from the several Cities, Towns and Plantations in this State, is eighty six thousand, one hundred and fifty one:

Sheepscot to a choice . . . 43,876;

John Fairfield, had . . . 47,354.

Edward Kent . . . 36,790.

Other persons, have . . . 2,007.

and that John Fairfield, having received eight thousand, five hundred and fifty seven, more than all other persons voted for, is constitutionally elected Governor of Maine for the current political year.

In the return from the town of Cornish, it was stated that a Warrant for the foregoing meeting was left at the house of the constable, September 4. 1841, but that a notice for said meeting was not made and held up till Tuesday, September 7. 1841. 4. Cook, S. M., and the constable made the following return on his Warrant, to wit: "York 2d. September 7. 1841. Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified the legal voters of said town to meet as within directed," signed "Jacob Ayer, constable of Cornish."

The votes in this town were for John Fairfield one hundred and fifty one: Edward Kent
ninety

1842 Ninety one: Lemuel Curtis five, and Nathan Clifford 11
three; These votes were counted.

In Elliot, three votes for John Fairfield and
one for Edward Kent were received after the votes were
counted and declared; These votes were not counted.

In Somerset, one vote was received for Edward
Kent after the votes were counted and declared; this vote
was not counted.

From Andover North Surplus Twelve votes were
returned; but the return did not state for whom they
were given; These votes were not counted.

In the return from Belgrade it was stated
that "one hundred, seven - six votes" were received for John
Fairfield. The Committee, deeming it a clerical error,
and intended to have been one hundred and seventy six, allowed
and counted them accordingly. One vote was received for John
Fairfield after the vote was declared; This was not counted.

In Winston two votes for John Fairfield
were put in the box for Representative and counted by
the Selectmen; These votes were not counted.

The return from Dearborn was not
sealed, when received at the Secretary's Office, September
16, 1841; These votes were nineteen for John Fairfield
and for Edward Kent, seven; and were counted.

From Camden return it appeared that
two hundred and eighty seven votes were received for
John Fairfield; two hundred and fifty for Edward Kent, and
Lemuel Curtis; and were counted accordingly.

The return from Salsdamkeag was not sealed, when received at the Secretary's Office, September 15. 1841; These votes were for John Fairfield forty two; Edward Kent thirty seven; and were counted.

A Certificate was received from the town of Patten stating that two votes for John Fairfield, and two for Edward Kent, were received from township N^o 3. range 6; and two votes for Edward Kent from township N^o 3. range 7; and that the inhabitants of these plantations had not given in their names as required by law; - These votes were not counted.

The returns from Buckfield, Belgrade, Webster, Patten, N^o 5. Penobscot County, Kilmarnock, Presart, Swanville and Marsabit were not received at the Secretary's Office within thirty days after the second Monday of September, but more than thirty days before the first Wednesday of January; - These votes were counted.

Your Committee, in examining the returns, found several minor informalities which they did not deem of sufficient importance to cause their rejection, or to require a particular notice in this report. All which is respectfully submitted: Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Concurred.

On motion of Mr. Selesdornier,
Ordered: That Messrs. Selesdornier, Atty. Wernett, Bridgeham and Lane be a Committee, with such as the House may join, to wait upon John Fairfield, and inform him that he has been constitutionally elected by the People, Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year; - and that the
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1842. Two Houses are ready to convene in the Representatives Hall, for the purpose of administering the necessary oaths to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties: Read and passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up; and Messrs Sewall, Bartlett, Old, Coff, Parker, Thompson and Jones were joined in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eastman. Ordered: That a Message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives Hall, forthwith, for the purpose of qualifying the Governor elect according to the Constitution: Which message was conveyed by the Secretary.

A Message was received from the House, by the Clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurred in the foregoing proposition.

Mr. Petersdornier, from the Committee appointed to wait on John Fairfield, and inform him that he had been constitutionally elected, by the People, Governor of the State of Maine, for the current political year; and that the two Houses were ready to convene for the purpose of administering the necessary oaths to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, Reported, that they had attended to the duty assigned them; and that the Governor elect was pleased to say that he accepted the office, and was ready to take and subscribe the necessary oaths required by the Constitution.

In Convention

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Agreeably to appointment the two Houses met, in Convention in the Representatives' Hall for the purpose of qualifying the Governor elect.

Mr. Kavanagh, of the Senate 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 qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties:

After which John Fairfield came in, attended by the Council, Secretary of State and Sheriff of Kennebec County, and before the President, and in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature he took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of the duties devolving upon 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 to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature, it appeared therefrom that John Fairfield 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

known to all persons in this State, who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as to all the good citizens thereof, that John Fairfield 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. 15.

Let) Save the State of Maine:"

After which the Convention separated.

On Motion of Mr. Delesdernier:
Ordered: That, when the Senate adjourn, it shall adjourn until tomorrow at ten of the Clock.

Adjourned

Miss. Jere Haskell, Secretary

Friday January 7th 1842.

On motion of Mr. Kavanagh,
Ordered: That Messrs Kavanagh, Humphrey, and Bennett
be a Committee to prepare Rules and Orders for the
present Session of the Senate.

Mr. Goodwin, from the Committee,
to which had been referred the votes given for Senators,
in the several Cities, Towns and Plantations, for the current
political year, made the following

Report:

That in the First Senatorial District, of York,
the whole number of votes, returned and allowed
is 25,427.

Necessary to a choice . . . 4,238.

Thomas C. Lane, has . . . 4,998.

Thomas Goodwin, (2^d) . . . 4,998.

Elisha Rodwell, . . . 4,995.

And are elected.

In the Second Senatorial District,
of Cumberland, the whole number of votes returned and
allowed is 45,245.

Necessary to a choice . . . 5,669.

Jonathan Smith, has . . . 6,064.

Joseph Brown . . . 6,032.

Messiah Humphrey . . . 6,112.

Philip Eastman . . . 6,113.

And are elected.

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In the Third Senatorial District, of Lincoln, the whole number of votes returned and allowed, is 40,911.

Necessary to a choice . . . 5,114.
 Edward Kavanagh had . 5,178.
 Joshua Patterson 5,185.
 Smith Springfield 5,186.
 Williams R. Page 5,116.

And are elected.

In the Fourth Senatorial District, of Hennepin, the whole number of votes returned and allowed is 45,602.

Necessary to a choice . . . 5,701.
 John Otis, had 5,963
 Timothy J. Hanson 5,993
 Merritt Blough 5,786
 William Aapt 6,020.

And are elected.

In the Fifth Senatorial District, of Waldo, the whole number of votes returned and allowed is 9,714.

Necessary to a choice . . . 2,429
 Ephraim H. Smart, had 3,291
 Joshua H. Elliot, 3,195.

And are elected.

In the Sixth Senatorial District, of Bancroft, the whole number of votes returned and allowed is 2,400

Necessary to a choice . . . 1,281
 Rowland St. Milgham, had 1,326

and is elected.

In

In the Seventh Senatorial District
 of Newrock and Washington, the whole number of votes
 returned and allowed is 3,271.
 Necessary to a choice . . . 1,636
Wm. L. Lums, has 1,800,
 and is elected.

In the Eighth Senatorial District,
 of Washington, the whole number of votes
 returned and allowed is 2,358.
 Necessary to a choice . . . 1,130
Benjamin P. Leavitt, has 1,160,
 and is elected.

In the Ninth Senatorial District,
 of Acworth, the whole number of votes returned,
 and allowed is 1,207.
 Necessary to a choice, 604.
William C. Eldernick, has . 822,
 and is elected.

In the Tenth Senatorial District of
Acworth, the whole number of votes returned and
 allowed, is 25,736
 Necessary to a choice . . . 4,288
Samuel H. Blake has 4,749
Amasa Nelson 4,758
Thomas W. Purleigh . . . 4,755
 and are elected.

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In the Eleventh Senatorial 19

District of Piscataquis, the whole number of votes returned and allowed is 2,422

Necessary to a choice 1,212

Thomas Laves had 1,231

And was elected; but, by the recent death of that gentleman, there remains a vacancy in this District to be filled;— and the Constitutional candidates to fill said vacancy are

Thomas L. Patten,

and

David Shepherd.

In the Twelfth Senatorial

District of Somerset, the whole number of votes returned and allowed is 11,782

Necessary to a choice 2,945

Joseph Spaulding had 2,890

Enoch E. Brown 2,929

Franklin Smith 2,756

Sammond Farnsworth 2,763

All other persons voted for, have 4441

And none of the Candidates voted for, having received the requisite number of votes to constitute an election, there remain two vacancies to be filled by the Legislature, and the Constitutional candidates to fill said vacancies are—

Joseph Spaulding,

Enoch E. Brown,

Franklin Smith,

and

Sammond Farnsworth.

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In the Thirteenth Senatorial District,
of Franklin, the whole number of votes returned
and allowed is 3,362.

Stephens to a chair 1,682.

John A. Barnard, has 1,345.

And is elected.

In the Fourteenth Senatorial District,
of Orford, the whole number of votes returned
and allowed is 28,052.

Stephens to a chair 14,676.

Virgil D. Parrot, has 5,900.

Gilman S. Bennett 5,976.

Wm Barnard 6,065.

and are elected.

The Committee further Report,
That, in the First Senatorial District, from the Town
of Riddeford, two hundred and fifteen votes were
returned for Thomas Goodwin Jr, which were counted
for Thomas Goodwin Sr by the Committee.

In the Third Senatorial District, forty
five votes were returned from the Town of Alma
for Joseph Patterson, and sixty five votes from the
Town of Barnum for William Ayre; and although the
Committee had reason to believe that these votes were
intended for Isbua Patterson and William H. Ayre,
respectively, they were not counted for either of these
gentlemen.

The votes from the Plantation of Martinus
Island were rejected because no list of voters was
returned.

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In Lincolnville, Waldo Contra, Ephraim, 21.

W. Smart, and Joshua H. Elliot, each received two hundred and seven votes, - which were rejected, on account of a deficiency in the return. The name of the Town and the day on which the election was held, and the date of the return being omitted.

There was a deficiency in the return from Menace, whereby, for Joshua H. Elliot, there was counted but eighty seven votes, although the Committee had reason to believe Mr. Elliot received one hundred and eighty seven votes.

In the Seventh Senatorial District, the votes returned from N^o 21. N^o 2. N^o 7. and N^o 33. were rejected by the Committee because no lists of votes were returned.

Four votes from Key Island, belonging to the Sixth Senatorial District, were returned on a blank return for the Seventh District, and were for Rowland H. Bridgman; which were counted for that gentleman.

In the Eighth Senatorial District the votes returned from N^o 14. and N^o 18. were not allowed by the Committee because no lists of votes were returned.

The Town of Pembroke returned one vote as received after the Tell was closed, but before the Meeting adjourned: This vote was also rejected.

In the Ninth Senatorial District, the votes returned from Monticello, Big Lake, N^o 9. Range 4. Peepack Academy Grant, Benedicta, William's College Grant, and Lackson Brook were rejected by
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the Committee, because no lists of votes were returned).

In the Tenth Senatorial District, the votes returned from Plantations No. 5 and No. 7, and Township No. 7, were rejected by the Committee because no lists of votes were returned.

In the Fourteenth Senatorial District, the votes returned from the Town of Berlin were fifty three for Gilman Bennett, and from the Town of Giload thirty five votes were returned for Gilman Bennett. Although your Committee had reason to believe that these votes were intended for Gilman L. Bennett, they were not counted for that gentleman.

The Committee further state, that, in the examination of the several Returns of the votes, they have found that, in many of them there has not been a compliance with that part of the twenty-seventh Section of Chapter Sixty in the volume of Revised Statutes, which requires that, "in all returns of elections the whole number of 'votes' given in shall be distinctly stated". The error was found to be so general, that the Committee decided to overlook it in the discharge of the duty assigned them, and report the facts to the Senate that such order may be taken thereon as may be deemed expedient and proper. Read and accepted.

Order from the House:

That Messrs. Allard, of Frankfurt, Arnold, of Augusta, Warner, of Durham, Merce, of Hillsburg, and Wheeler, of Bloomfield, with such as the Senate may join, be a Committee to contract with some suitable person to

1892 to watch the public buildings in the night time, during the present Session of the Legislature, at a compensation not exceeding one dollar per night.

Read and passed in concurrence: And Messrs Elliot, Hanscomb and Partridge were joined.

Mr. Barnard of Asford, announced that the Honorable Virgil O. Smith, a Senator, elect from Asford District, was at the Senate board, and ready to take and subscribe the oaths of Office: Whereupon he was accompanied by Mr. Barnard to the presence of the Governor and Council, before whom he took and subscribed the oaths of Office, after which he took his seat at the Senate board.

On motion of Mr. Smith.

Ordered: That a Message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that body that there is a vacancy in the Eleventh Senatorial District; and that Thomas S. Pullen and David Shepherd are the Constitutional candidates; and that there is also a vacancy in the Tenth Senatorial District; and that Franklin Smith, Emmerson Mansworth, Joseph Spaulding and Enoch E. Plow are the Constitutional candidates: And that the Senate propose a Convention of the two Houses, forthwith, in the Representatives Hall for the purpose of filling the same, and ask the concurrence of the House.

Which Message was conveyed by the Secretary.

A Message was received from the House by the Clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurred in its proposition to hold a Convention, forthwith, for the above purposes: —

In Convention

In Convention.

Agreeably to assignment the two Houses met in Convention for the purpose of electing Senators to fill the vacancies in the Eleventh and Twelfth Districts: —

Messrs. Eastman, Clough, Gunn, Morse and Pike of Eastport, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Senator in the Eleventh District: Which Committee, having attended to the duties assigned it, Reported That the whole number of votes is 200.

Necessary to a choice, 101.

Thomas S. Pullen, has 134.

David Shepherd, 36.

Ex. Gov. Nor, 2.

David Pullen, 1.

Blank, 27.

Which Report, having been accepted, Thomas S. Pullen was declared duly elected Senator for that District, —

On motion of Mr. DeLidornier, Messrs. DeLidornier, Barnard of Frankling, Sherburne, Reed and Drake were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Senators to fill the vacancies in the Twelfth Senatorial District:

Which Committee having attended to the duties assigned it Reported: That the whole number of votes is, 211.

Necessary to a choice, 106.

Franklin Smith, . . has 151.

Drummond Farnsworth 151.

Enoch E.

Enoch E. Brewster, 52.
 Joseph Spaulding, 59.
 Nehemiah Leavitt, 1.

Which Report having been accepted, Messrs Franklin Smith and Gerrard Farnsworth were accordingly declared duly elected Senators for said District. —

The Convention then separated. —

On motion of Mr. Eastman
Ordered: That the Secretary be directed to notify Messrs Franklin Smith and Gerrard Farnsworth that they had been duly elected Senators to fill the vacancies in the Twelfth Senatorial District; and also Thomas S. Follen that he had been duly elected a Senator to fill the vacancy in the Eleventh Senatorial District; — and request their attendance at the Senate board. —

On motion of Mr. Smith
Ordered: That daily hereafter, when the Senate adjourns, it shall adjourn to meet at ten of the clock in the forenoon, until otherwise ordered. —

Adjourned:

Wm. Vere Haskell, Secretary.

Saturday, January 8th 1842.

The Secretary of State came in and laid upon the table the votes given in the County of Piscataquis on the question of Thurstown for said County:

Mr. Eastman informed the Senate that the Honorable Sumner Harnsworth and the Honorable Franklin Smith are in attendance, and are ready to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

A Message was received from the House, by the Clerk, informing the Senate, that branch prepared a Convention of the two Houses in the Representatives Hall, this day at eleven of the clock, for the purpose of electing Seven Counsellors 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 regarding the concurrence of the Senate.

A Message was then conveyed to the House of Representatives, by the Secretary, informing that branch of the Legislature that the Senate concurred in the foregoing proposition.

Mr. Eastman informed the Senate that he had accompanied the Honorable Sumner Harnsworth, and the Honorable Franklin Smith, Senators elect to the Governor and Council, before whom they took and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. They then took their seats at the Senate table.

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On motion of Mr. Humphrey 27.

Ordered: That a Committee be raised to wait on the Governor and inform him that this body is ready to receive any communication which he may be pleased to make: And Messrs. Humphrey, Elliot, and Agot, were appointed said Committee: Which Committee having attended to the duty assigned it, Reported: That the Governor was pleased to say, that he would, forthwith, communicate to the Senate, in writing, by the hand of the Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State then came in and laid upon the table a written Message from the Governor, addressed to both branches of the Legislature. Which Message was read by the President.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Cumberland.
Ordered: That the Governor's Message be laid on the table, and five hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate.

— (See appendix) —

— In Convention —

Agreeably to assignment, the two Houses met in Convention for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State and Seven Counsellors:

On motion of Mr. Harris;
Ordered: That Messrs. Harris, Hanscom, Stevens, Cunningham, and Lee be appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Secretary of State; Which Committee having attended to the duties assigned it,

it Reported: That the whole number of votes is 212.

Necessary to a choice 107.

Philip C. Johnson has 154.

Samuel P. Benson 55

Ev. Lev. Van 2

Blank 1.

Which Report having been accepted, Philip C. Johnson was declared duly elected Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. Sewall,
Ordered: That Messrs Sewall, Bennett, Frye, Holby and Sage be appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Seven Counsellors; Which Committee having attended to the duties assigned it, Reported: That the whole number of votes is. 212.

Necessary to a choice 107.

Leven Wilton, has 156.

Dominicus Jordan, 156

Abner Levensaler, 155.

Jonas Parlin, 156.

John Burnham, 136

Greenleaf White 157

John Stickney 156

Increase S. Kimball, 56

David Cuntap, 56

William Singer, 56

Thomas Marshall, 56

Elias Juday, 56

Joseph H. Underwood, 56

Benjamin Bradford, 56

Levi S. Ham, 1

Robert P. Cuntap, 1

Joseph Sewall, 1.

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James Bates, 1.
 Charles Jarvis, 1.
 William D. Williamson, . . . 1.
 Ex Governor Vose, 1.

Which Report was accepted; and Messrs Gevon Wilson,
Dominicus Jordan, Atwood Licensaler, Jonas Parlin,
John Burnham, Greenleaf White and John Stickney were,
 accordingly declared duly elected. —

After which the Convention separated: —

On motion of Mr. Eastman:

Ordered: That the Secretary be directed to notify Gevon
 Wilson, Dominicus Jordan, Atwood Licensaler, Jonas
 Parlin, John Burnham, Greenleaf White, and John
 Stickney, that they have been duly elected Counsellors,
 to advise the Governor in the Executive Department,
 of the Government for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Bennett

Ordered: That the Secretary be directed to notify Philip
 G. Johnson that he has been duly elected Secretary
of State for the current political year.

Order from the House: appointing Messrs Pinbury, McDonald,
 Kid, Partridge, Hodgdon, Warren, Hersey, Smart,
 Dickey, Lovins, Holmes and Kellock, with such as
 the Senate may join, a Committee to inquire into the expediency
 of suspending the present Militia Law of this State, or
 any part thereof for forty days; and of receiving the late
 Militia Law of this State, or any part thereof, for
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the same period:

Read and passed, and

Miss. Leavitt,

Agst. and

Smith,

were joined in concurrence. —

Adjourned:

Miss. Vere Haskell, Secretary.