

Monday, January 30, 1848.

Met according to adjournment.

Reports, of the committee on the Judiciary, declaring legislation inexpedient on

Order, relative to amending the Poor Debtor Laws, in relation to citations to creditors;

Order, relative to empowering deputy sheriffs, to act as auctioneers,

Order, relative to taxing goods, wares, and merchandize; severally were received from the Senate, and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the committee on Agriculture, granting leave to withdraw, on petition of Ammi Bining and others, was received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Report, of the select committee on Treasurer's Bond, declaring the same good and sufficient, was received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Mr. Isaac Fairfield, Representative elect from Cassaborough, appeared, was qualified, and took his seat.

Mr. Mass, of Georgetown, was excused 287
from serving on the joint select committee
on Penobscot Boom, and Mr. Reed, of Hal-
dorough, was appointed instead.

Petition of Samuel Weston, and others,
that certain parts of Keellervell, Thintrop,
Augusta, Readfield and Litchfield may
be incorporated into a town by the name
of Kennebec, was received from the Senate,
and referred to the committee on Division
of Towns, in concurrence.

Mr. Thurston, of Charleston, presented
the petition of John Druning and others,
that the salaries, of State and County of-
ficers, be reduced, and that members of
the Legislature may receive pay only when
in actual service, which was referred
to a joint select committee, consisting of
Messrs. Otis of St. George, Jones of Jefferson,
Hilson of East Machias, Boyd of Harmony,
Lee of Bucksport, Rine of Bangor, and
Raynes of New Gloucester, on the part of
the House, with such as the Senate may
join. Sent up for concurrence.

The Secretary of the Senate informed
the Clerk that that body had joined Messrs.
Koussard, Bridgham, and Millett to the
select committee on the subject of the pe-
tition of John E. Godfrey and others re-

238 alive to the detention of fugitive slaves, &c.

The Secretary, of the Senate, informed the Clerk, that that body had joined Messrs. Frey, Hubbard, Sawtelle, Strout, and Mitchell to the select committee on the subject of the Pinckney V. Broom.

Petition of Charles Williard of township No. 11 Washington County, and others, relative to bounty on wolves;

Petition of Francis D. S. Smith, and others of the Cumberland County Agricultural Society, for a grant of land to the several agricultural societies in the State; were severally presented and referred to the committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Royal Day, and others, that fugitive slaves may not be detained;

Petition of Asahel Herson and others in relation to same subjects, were severally presented and referred to the committee having under consideration the petition of John E. Godfrey, and others. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elisha Clark and others for ²³⁹
repeal of pedler law;

Petition of S. C. Grant and others,
for same;

Petition of C. M. Cobb and others for
same; were severally presented and re-
ferred to the committee on Pedler Laws.
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of town of Milford to be author-
ized to raise money to be expended on a
road out of town; was presented and refer-
red to the committee on the Judiciary.
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Peol Pomer and others, that
representation of Penobscot Indians may
be restricted; was presented and referred
to the committee on Indian Affairs. Sent
up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Marshall for power
to levy and collect wharfage upon the
Belfast Steamboat Wharf; was presented
and referred to the committee on Interior
Affairs. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Albert Hanson for compen-
sation for injuries received in the Frostbrook
war, was presented and referred to the

240 committee on military pensions.
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Gordon to be relieved from a penalty incurred by not procuring the requisite number of settlers on lands purchased of the State, was presented and referred to the committee on State Lands. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles S. Norris, and others to be incorporated, as the East Monmouth Meadow Dam Company was presented and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Maria C. Dalton, and others, of First Parish in Acton, against petition of Horace Bodwell and others, was presented and referred to the committee on Parishes. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Machias, Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so altering or amending the 8th. Section, of the 15th. chapter of the revised statutes as to provide a fair and reasonable compensation for the support of criminals in our jails. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mildram of Wells, 241

Ordered, That the committee on Literature and Literary Institutions inquire into the expediency of causing the Secretary of State to furnish certain blank returns for votes, to the clerks of the several cities, towns, and plantations, instead of to the several counties, as now provided. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Perry of Oxford.

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Portland Brass Band, this evening, for the purpose of giving a public concert.

Mr. Hickborn, of Prospect, presented the petition of Miles Fowler, for divorce from the bonds of matrimony, which was referred to a joint select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickborn of Prospect, Paine of Bangor, Bradbury of Kennebunkport, Chadwick of Portland, and Abbot of Belfast, with such as the Senate may join. Sent up for concurrence.

Bills, an act to promote agriculture and diminish pauperism, was taken up, read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill, an act to set off a part of the town of Penobscot to the town of Surry, was passed to be enacted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve, in favor of certain Indians of the Penobscot Tribe:

Resolve, in relation to the public lands: were severally finally passed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves, relating to the Bankrupt Act, were returned from the Senate, further amended, as on sheet marked B, and passed to be engrossed. The House adopted the amendment and passed the resolves to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolves, in relation to the Post Office Department:

Resolve, in relation to State valuation of towns of Minot and Auburn having had two several readings was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act authorizing the assessment of a state tax, on the town of Auburn;

Bill, an act, for the relief of the town of Minot, having had three several readings were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolve, equalizing the valuation of Boothbay and Townsend;

Resolve, fixing a valuation to the town of Masardis, and correcting the valuation of the county of Hoostock, having had two several readings were passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

William T. Johnson, Clerk.

Tuesday, January 31, 1843.

Met according to adjournment.

The following communication, and the documents therein named, were received from the Senate:

To the Senate and

House of Representatives:

I herewith lay before you a copy of Resolutions adopted by the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, in favor of a restoration to General Andrew Jackson, of the fine imposed upon him by the late Judge Hoall. Also a communication from C. Campbell, of St. Louis, Missouri, in relation to the establishment of Marine Hospitals, on the Mississippi River, and its tributaries.

Council Chamber,

January 30, 1843. John Fairfield.

Resolve, authorizing the State Treasurer to credit the county of Piscataquis, with a certain part of their county tax for the year 1842, and for other purposes, was received from the Senate passed to be engrossed. It was read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the committee on Privileges, declaring legislation inexpedient on pe

petition of Trustees and owners of the Baptist 245
Meeting house in Trenton, asking for an act
of incorporation, was received from the
Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

An order was received from the Sen-
ate appointing Messrs. Frye, Ingalls and
Eastman a committee, with such as the
House might join, to take into consideration
so much of the Governor's message, as relates
to the expediency of appropriating a portion
of the school fund for the benefit of those
who have just become subject to our ju-
risdiction and laws, and to various
other matters pertaining to said settlers.
The order was passed in concurrence,
and Messrs. Mears of Georgetown, White
of Whitefield, Frye of Bethel, Brown of
Winchham, Abbot of Belfast, Higgins
of Porter, and Fairfield of Bassalborough
joined.

Order, from the Senate directing the
committee on the Judiciary to inquire
into the expediency of increasing the
number of the Justices of Supreme Ju-
dicial Court, was received from the
Senate, and passed in concurrence.

Order appointing a committee
to consider so much of the Governor's
message, as relates to the proceeds of the

246 sales of the public lands was returned from the Senate, that body adhering to its former vote, referring the same to the committee on the Judiciary. The House receded and concurred.

Mr. Rome, of Norwich, by leave, laid on the table a bill, entitled an act, concerning Fishways, which was referred to the committee on Interior Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Williamson of Pittston, Ordered, That the committee on Interior Waters inquire into the law, establishing the Kennebec Ferry Company, passed in 1829, and all subsequent acts, relative to said corporation — that the clerk of said corporation be required to exhibit, on oath, the amount of all moneys, received at said ferry, for yearly and all other ferriages — the amount received by the corporation for the use of the ferry boat at the Bath ferry — the amount received by said corporation, for the use of said boat, in the towing of vessels, and all other purposes; beside ferrying between Pittston and Gardiner, — the time or number of days in each year, that there has been passing, at said ferry, by water; also the number of days, in each year during the season of fer

riking, that said boat has not been used, or employed at said ferry; according to the conditions of the charter; also the amount received by said corporation, for leveling the ice, or otherwise preparing the same for winter passage, in each separate year, from the first day of January 1833, to the last day of December 1842, inclusive; — also, the amount expended, in labor, and number of men employed, in carrying on said ferry in each year, as aforesaid, the amount of fuel used, and cost of the same — also what sum, or sums, (if any) are paid for landings, by said corporation, and to whom paid. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick,

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the order directing them to take into consideration so much of the revised statutes as relates to the pay of County Officers, and legislators, also inquire into the expediency of amending the 15th chapter of the revised statutes, regulating fees in certain cases. Also, that they inquire into the expediency of establishing by law, some uniform system of obtaining lands from certain individuals for the location of railways within this State, without infringing

248 upon the rights of the people. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hood, of Winthrop.
Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of defining the limits of Agricultural societies, where there is more than one society in a county. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Goff of Auburn, from the committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of G. G. Hoyt and others, reported a bill entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hanover, which was read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill, an act, to promote agriculture and diminish pauperism was amended as on sheets marked O and P and indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance, of John Glidden and others, against reduction of tolls on Damariscotta Bridge, was presented and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of La Fayette Bank for ²⁴⁹
three time to close its concerns, was pre-
sented and referred to the committee
on Banks and Banking. Sent up
for concurrence.

Petition of William Currier, and
others, that County Commissioners
license auctioneers, was presented
and referred to the committee on the
Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of C. S. Thingate, and others,
for repeal of pedler law, was presented
and referred to the committee on Ped-
ler Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. A. Hadleigh, that the
Land Agent be directed to give up cer-
tain notes given for land which has
since been conveyed to others, was pre-
sented and referred to the committee on
State Lands. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Archibald Chisam and
others to be set off from Alexander to
Lorainford was presented and referred
to the committee on Division of Towns.
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of town of Maxfield for abate-
ment of State Tax was presented and re-

250 joined to the committee on State valuation. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Sylvester Snowman and others for an alteration of the fish law, as applying to Penobscot River, was presented and referred to the committee on Interior Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Prince of Buckfield,
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary take into consideration the necessity of all lawyers presenting their accounts of costs charged clients, under oaths, to the county commissioners for examination, and if found not to conform with the laws of the State, to report the same to the court next sitting, and that twenty-five per cent of the amount collected, be converted to the support of the paupers in the town where said cost may be collected. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from Philip C. Johnson, Secretary of State, transmitting in obedience to an order of the House of 27th. instant,) an abstract of the amount of costs in criminal prosecutions, allowed to the several counties respectively, during the years 1846, 1847, and 1848. It was laid on the table.

Bill, an act, to provide, in part, for 251
the expenditures of government was taken
up, read twice, and Tuesday next as
signed for a third reading.

Memorial, of the Tennessee County
Agricultural Society for a grant of land,
was taken up, and referred to the com-
mittee on Agriculture. Sent up for
concurrence.

Bill, an act, to reduce the tolls on
Dunsmuir's Bridge, was read a third
time; amended as on sheet marked
A, and laid on the table.

Petition, of William Hastings, and
others, in relation to the arrest of fugitive
slaves and other matters connected
herewith, was presented and referred
to the committee having that subject
under consideration. Sent up for con-
currence.

Resolves, in relation to the Bank-
rupt Act, were finally passed. Sent
up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to authorize the County
Commissioners of the Counties of Cush-
land and Lincoln, to lay out a road
over the bridge on New-Meadow's river

252 at a place called Little Bull Rock, was read a third time, and the yeas and nays having been ordered, passed &c. engrossed in concurrence, yeas ninety, nays sixteen.

Those who voted in the affirmative are
yeas.

Charles G. Bellamy,
Charles Bradbury,
Wm. Bragdon,
Abel M. Bryant,
Humphrey Tall,
Jedediah Goodwin,
Samuel Wildman,
Theodore Wilson
Frederic A. Wood

Cumberland.

Simmon Bailey,
Joshua Chalkbourn,
Daniel C. Emery,
James Goff, Jr.,
Henry B. Hart,
Alfred Goule,
Stephen L. Waterhouse.

Lincoln.

Algernon S. Austin,
William Carlisle,
Beverly Bates,
Philip M. Garcelon,
Thomas C. Greenlow,
Phillips C. Hoarding,
Amos H. Hoagman,

Randel Jones,
 Thomas Mart,
 Freeman H. Morse,
 Ebenezer Otis,
 Gideon Perkins,
 Isaac Reed,
 Thomas White,
 Joshua Young.

Hancock.

John Bridges,
 Byron W. Darling,
 John Lee,
 Henry Partridge,
 Calvin Peck,
 Asa Turner.

Washington.

William Morn,
 David Davis,
 Putnam Rolf,
 Ebenezer Watson.

Kennebec.

Israel Chase,
 Isaac Fairfield,
 William C. Grant,
 Philip C. Holmes,
 George W. Perkins, Jr.,
 Henry Perkins,
 Luther Severance,
 George Williamson,
 Samuel Wood, Jr.,
 Reuben H. Yeaton.

254 Oxford.

Isaac S. Daly,
Amos Driscoll,
William Frye,
Richard Hutchinson,
John S. Perry,
Elijah Powers,
Noah Prince,
John Walker, Jr.

Somerset.

James Bailey,
Hadsnath Bolton,
Cleopas Boyd,
Gurges Nye,
David Richardson,
Edward Bond.

Pennescot.

Joseph Baker, Jr.,
William T. Fordan,
John Lord,
Asa Smith,
Ira Hadleigh.

Waldo.

Achemiah Abbot,
John Clements,
James Crockett, Jr.,
Henry Davidson,
Thomas Elliot,
Asa C. Emery,
Henry Hickman,
Nathan Knight,
Joseph Muzzey,

Leese Page,
Sathau Withing.

Franklin.

Homer C. Roman,
John Sewell,
Charles Morse.

Piscataquis.

Samuel Coburn,
Thomas B. Spaulding,
Leonard Stoddard.

Acworth.

Dennis Fairbanks,
Leonard Pierce,
John Rollins.

Those who voted in the negative are:
Cumberland.

Henry C. Babb,
Erza Brown, Jr.,
Thomas Chadwick,
David Dunn,
Alpheus S. Holden,
Benjamin H. Meder,
Daniel Merrill,
Daniel C. Pooler,
Joseph Raynes,
Theophilus Stimson.

Lincoln.

Isaac Ames,
Hiram Chapman,
Aaron Hinkley,

Washington.

Goven Wilson.

256 Penobscot.

Benjamin B. Thomas.

Hallo.

James H. Reaume.

Adjourned.

William T. Johnson, Clerk.

Wednesday, February 6, 1843.

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Met according to adjournment.

Resolve, in favor of Charles W. Buckman, was received from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, accompanied by a report of the Committee on military pensions, setting forth a statement of facts. The Report was accepted. The Resolve was read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolve, in favor of Ephraim L. Crockett, was received from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, accompanied by a report of the committee on military pensions, setting forth a statement of facts. The report was accepted. The Resolve was read once, and tomorrow, assigned for a second reading.

Bill, an act, to incorporate the Bartlett Cemetery, was received from the Senate, passed to be engrossed. It was read twice, and tomorrow, assigned for a third reading.

Petition of Asa Kersom, and others, that Sharon Plantation, be annexed to Waterville:

Petition of Isiah James and others for same, were severally received from

258 the Senate, and referred to the committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Remonstrance, of members of the Cumberland Bar, against the petition of Charles Sager and others, was received from the Senate, and referred to the committee on Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the joint select committee having under consideration so much of the Governor's Message, as relates to the West Point Academy, asking to be discharged, was received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Order, from the Senate, relative to increase of Bank Commissioners, was received from the Senate, and passed, in concurrence.

Order, relative to publishing returns of the products of industry, taken in 1846, was received from the Senate, and passed, in concurrence.

Resolves, to legalise the acts of Justices of the Peace, and ministers of the gospel, in the solemnization of marriages, was received from the Senate, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Resolve, authorizing the State Treas.²⁵⁹
urer to credit the County of Piscataquis
with a certain part of their county tax
for the year 1842, and for other purposes,
was read a second time, and passed
to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Communication, from the Secretary of
State, transmitting an abstract of amount
of costs in criminal prosecutions of 1840,
1841, and 1842, was taken up, and re-
ferred to the committee having that sub-
ject under consideration. Sent up
for concurrence.

Petition of John Dillingham, and others,
for a bounty on mulberry trees, and in-
crease of the bounty on silk, was present-
ed, and referred to the committee on
Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Bowrie and others,
of Wells, for the repeal of the pedler law,
was presented and referred to the com-
mittee on Pedler Law. Sent up for
concurrence.

Mr. Little, of Portland, presented the
following order, which was laid on the table.

Ordered. That the Governor be requested
to transmit, to this Legislature, a full and de-
tailed statement of the expenditure of the

260 contingent fund of the Governor and Council, for the last year.

On motion of Mr. Lyman, of Litchfield,
Ordered, That the Messenger of the House be directed to apply to the Messenger of the Senate for 250 copies of the Bank Commissioners' Report, printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Perry, of Oxford,
Ordered, That five hundred additional copies of the Report of the Bank Commissioners be printed for the use of the Legislature, and that the Messenger, of the House, be directed to take charge of, and distribute the same to the members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Otis, of St. George,
Ordered, That the messenger deposit it with the Secretary of State, for the use of the House of Representatives of 1846, one hundred and sixty copies of the Rules and Orders, and ten copies, for the use of the Library.

On motion of Mr. Pinner, of Buckfield,
Ordered, That the Superintendent of the Public Buildings be instructed and authorized to purchase a Dictionary, for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Otis, of St. George,

Ordered, That the hour, to which the House shall adjourn, be ten o'clock A.M. till otherwise ordered.

Mr. Brown, of Machias, presented an order, in relation to compelling attendance of members to the business of the Legislature, which was laid on the table.

Petition, of Daniel Mighel, and others, that a bond given by them to the Steward of the Hospital for the Insane, may be given up, was presented and referred to the committee on Hospital for the Insane. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hart of Portland.

Ordered, That the Messenger, of the House, be directed to apply to the Messenger of the Senate, for such a proportion of the Report of the Inspectors of the State Prison, as belongs to this House, agreeably to the order of the Senate of January 11, directing 300 copies to be printed, for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Hood, of Hinthrop,

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Constitution of this State, as to provide for

262 the election of the Register of Probate in the several counties, by the people.
Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Machias,
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the 46th section of the 118th chapter of the Revised Statutes, as to protect the Poor Debtor, from any advantage being taken of him, by his creditor, attorney, or agent. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Paine, of Bangor,
Ordered, That the papers on file in the office of the Secretary of State, in relation to the claim of George H. Maxium, petitioner, for the continuation of a military pension, be taken from said files and referred to the committee on military pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Elliot, of Frankfort
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Constitution of this State, as to make the Sheriffs of the several counties, elective by the people. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act, to reduce the tolls on Damariscotta Bridge, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Hodgman of Warren, recommitted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Goff, of Auburn, from the committee on the Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Francis Radoux, and others, for the annexation of part of Standish to Essex.

On motion of Mr. Poole, of Standish, the report was recommitted with instructions to report order of notice to this Legislature. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Goff, of Auburn, from the committee on Division of Towns, reported a bill, entitled an act, to set off part of the town of Hope, in the County of Waldo, and annex the same to the town of Appleton. The bill was read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bray, of Turner,
Ordered, That the Messenger inform the Chaplain of the House, that the standing hour of adjournment has been changed to ten o'clock A.M. of each day.

Bills, an act to incorporate the town of Hanover, was read a third time.

Mr. Trigg, of Bethel, moved to amend, as on sheet marked A. The bill was then laid on the table.

Resolves, in relation to the State Valuation, of the towns of Minot and Auburn;

Resolves, in relation to the Post-Office Department;

Resolves in relation to the Military Academy, at West Point, in the State of New York, were severally finally passed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bills, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bethel Academy;

Bills, an act to incorporate the town of Mason, were severally passed to be enacted. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

William T. Johnson, Clerk.

Thursday, February 2, 1843.

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Met according to adjournment.

The Secretary of the Senate informed the Clerk, that that body had joined Messrs. Bridgham, Ingalls and Sawtelle, to the select committee on petition of Miles Fowler, for divorce.

The Secretary of the Senate informed the Clerk, that that body had joined Messrs. Bridgham, Sawtelle and Millett to the select committee, on petition of John Dunning and others in relation to the reduction of salaries of officers.

Petition, of Nathan D. Pearce, for change of names, was presented and referred to the committee on change of names.

Petitions, of James C. Rice, and others, for repeal of license laws,

Petition, of George Bangs, and others, on the subject of Usury Laws;

Petition, of Seth Delano, and others on the subject of Usury Laws; were severally presented and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of Solomon Skinner and others, for an alteration of the law regulating the fishery in Penobscot river, was presented and referred to the committee on Interior Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of Samuel Moody, and others, for repeal of the pedler law;

Petition of William Smith, and others, for same;

Petition, of Isaac Furbish, and others, for same; were severally presented and referred to the committee on pedler law. Sent up for concurrence.

Report, of the committee on Division and Alteration of Counties, on order relative to setting off Fish river settlement, from Penobscot to Arrostook County, on giving notice, was received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Mr. Fales, of Thomaston, from the committee on State Lands, reported

Resolve, in favor of the town of Greenbush, and

Resolve, in favor of the town of Castaldunkong. The Resolves were severally read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolves, in favor of certain Passam-
quoddy Indians, was received from the
Senate, passed to be engrossed. On mo-
tion of Mr. Chadbourne, of Baldwin, the
rules were suspended, and the resolve
read twice, and passed to be engross-
ed, in concurrence.

Resolve, in favor of Charles W. Buck-
mar, was read a second time, on motion
of Mr. Abbot of Belfast, amended, as on
sheet marked A., and as amended
passed to be engrossed. Sent up for
concurrence.

Resolve, in favor of Ephraim S. Crost-
ett, was read a second time, and pass-
ed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Bart-
lett Cemetery, was read a third time,
and passed to be engrossed, in concu-
rence.

Report of the committee on Division
of Towns, ordering notice on petition of
Francis Radoux, and others, was received
from the Senate, and accepted, in concu-
rence.

Report, of the committee, which had
under consideration so much of the Gov-

268 *unvo's Message*, as relates to a change in the time of meeting of the Legislature, from winter to summer, declaring legislation inexpedient, was received from the Senate, recommitted, with instructions to bring in a resolve.

Mr. Otis, of St. George, moved to nonconcur.
The report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Otis, of St. George,
Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be requested to inquire into the expediency of changing sections 9, 10, and 11 of Chapter 51 of Revised Statute.
Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

William T. Johnson, Clerk.

Friday, February 3, 1843.

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Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Boyd of Harmony, from the committee on Interior Waters, reported order of notice to the present Legislature, on
Petition of William Burnham and others,

" " Thomas Marshall " " ;

" " Charles Cox " " ;

and on order relative to the Kennebec Ferry Company. The Reports were severally accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Report, of the committee on Roads and Bridges, ordering notice on petition of Samuel Cony, and others, was received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Report, of the committee on Roads and Bridges, ordering notice on petition of Nicholas S. Thomas, and others, was received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Communication, from Philip C. Johnson, transmitting returns from the "Kennebec County", "Washington County", "Somerset Central", "East Somerset", and "Kiscataquis" Agricultural Societies, being all that had been received at his office prior to Feb. 1,

270 was received from the Senate, and referred to the committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Order, relative to allowing Sheriffs to administer oaths to appraisers, was received from the Senate, and passed, in concurrence.

Petition, of town of St. Albans, for a reduction of their State valuation, was received from the Senate, and referred to the committee on State valuation, in concurrence.

Petition, of Samuel Cooper, and others, for remuneration for services rendered the State in 1839, was received from the Senate, and referred to the committee on claims, in concurrence.

Petition, of Simeon Pease, and others, for repeal of license laws;

Petition, of Rufus McIntire, and others, to be incorporated into Mutual Fire Insurance Company; were severally presented and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of town of Elliot; and

" of inhabitants of town of Elliot;

for legislative relief, as respecting the Portsmouth Bridge, and railways, were severally presented and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Order, relative to the expenditure of the contingent Fund, of the Governor and Council, (laid on the table February 1), was taken up and passed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mildman, of Hells,

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be requested to examine chapter 42, of the Revised Statutes, and report whether, when bears or wolves are imported into this State, and here become thoroughly domesticated, and when accidentally or intentionally killed, the owners thereof are entitled to receive the bounty provided by said chapter. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bellamy, of Hittery,

Ordered, That the committee on State Valuation, inquire into the expediency of making a reduction in the valuation of the town of Hittery, for lands returned in the last valuation, which have since been taken by an act of the Legislature, for the benefit of Rail Road Corporations. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick.

Ordered, That the committee on State Valuation inquire into the expediency of making a reduction in the valuation of the towns of Elliot, and South Berwick, for lands returned in the last valuation, which have been since taken from them by an act of the Legislature for the benefit of a railroad corporation. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fall of North Berwick.

Ordered, That the committee on State Valuation inquire into the expediency of making a reduction in the valuation of the towns of North Berwick and Berwick, for lands returned in the last valuation, which have since been taken by an act of the Legislature, for the benefit of rail road corporations. And also, into the expediency of making such reduction in the valuation of all other towns similarly situated. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pales, of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to provide, by law, that in all cases where suits are brought on bonds, for the recovery of the penalty or forfeiture incurred in such bonds, that but one bill of costs shall be taxed.

Mr. Morse, of Bath, by leave, laid on the table a resolve, repealing in part a resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State, approved March 11, 1841.

Bill, an act, to set off a part of the town of Hope, in the County of Waldo, and annex the same to the town of Appleton, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve, in favor of the town of Greenbush; and

Resolve, in favor of the town of Passadumkeag; were severally read a second time and laid on the table.

Bill, an act authorizing the assessment of a state tax on the town of Auburn;

Bill, an act for the relief of the town of Minot; were severally passed to be enacted. Sent up for concurrence.

Reports, of the committee on Division of Towns, ordering notice to the present Legislature, on

Petition of Nathan Freeman and others;

" " Samuel Weston " " ;

" " Isaiah James " " ;

274 and on petition, of Archibald Chisam, and others, severally were received from the Senate, and accepted, in concurrence.

Report, of the joint select committee on order, relative to the herring fishery, declaring legislation inexpedient, was received from the Senate accepted.

On motion of Mr. Abbot, of Belfast, the House nonconcurred, and recommitted, with instructions to bring in a bill, repealing the act, additional to an act, regulating the herring fishery. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Land Agent, transmitting an account of the receipts and expenditures of the Land Department from 1820 to 1842, inclusive, which was laid on the table, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Meder, of Brunswick, presented an order directing an examination of the affairs of the State Prison, which was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Petition, of Edwin Wilson, and others, for the repeal of the license law; was presented, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of John Warren and others, relative to taxing corporate property.

Petition, of Tappan Robie, and others, for alteration of law, relative to taxes on property of corporations; were severally presented, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of D. B. Hinkley, and others, for a bounty on manufactured slate;

Petition, of Charles Harrington, and others, of Thomaston, for an alteration of the lime law;

Petition, of William Hayden, and others, of Thomaston, for same;

Petition, of John Spofford, and others, of Thomaston, for same;

Petition, of Joseph Ulmer, and others

276 of Thomaston, for same, were severally presented and referred to the committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of Andrew Pease, for remuneration, for grass purchased of the State, was presented and referred to the committee on State Lands. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of town of Ripley, for an allowance of expenses incurred in 1839, for the benefit of the State; was presented and referred to the committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance, of Joseph R. Tolson, and others, against extension of Granite Wharf, in Bucksport, was presented and referred to the committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition, of Galen Marks, for change of names of himself and family, was presented and referred to the committee on Change of Names.

Mr. Meder, of Brunswick, by leave, laid on the table a bill, repealing "an act, authorizing the erection of a Bridge over New Meadows River".

Resolve, repealing, in part, a resolve 277
authorizing a loan, in behalf of the State, ap-
proved March 11, 1844, was taken up, read
once, and Monday next assigned for a
second reading.

Report, of the committee on Roads and
Bridges, granting leave to withdraw, in
petition of John Robinson, and others, was
received from the Senate, and accepted
in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hart, of Portland,
Ordered, That the Secretary of State be
directed, to prepare and report to this House,
a table showing the names of all the towns,
that have been incorporated, by the Legis-
lature, since the publication of Greenleaf's
Map, in 1828, exhibiting the several dates of
their incorporation, the counties in which
they are now situated, the names or des-
ignations, by which they were severally
known, and marked, on Greenleaf's Map;
also a statement of the present bound-
aries of those counties, that have been
formed since the publication of said
map, and any other changes, that have
been made in County lines, since that time.

The Clk, of St. George, moved to recon-
sider the vote passing this order. The mo-
tion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Darling, of Bluehill,

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the revised statutes, in relation to Sheriffs' fees, as to allow sheriffs a reasonable percentage, on the amount of debts secured by an attachment on personal property, and also of increasing the fees of said Sheriffs on Execution Bonds. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Prince, of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the committee on State Valuation be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the valuation of the town of Turner. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike, of Eastport,

Ordered, That the committee on Indian Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians to purchase two hundred acres of woodland, in the town of Penz, for the use of said tribe. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Symon, of Lubec, from the committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Columbus Brackett. The report was accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

An order was received from the Senate, proposing a joint rule relative to the distribution of printed documents. It was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gould, of Embden.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law, providing that all contracts under twenty dollars made after the 20th. of March next shall be debts of honor, and the making of all suits after the said 20th. of March next, for debts under twenty dollars be abolished. Shut up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to set off a part of the town of Hoke, in the County of Waldo, and annex the same to the town of Appleton, was received from the Senate, amended, and passed to be engrossed. The House adopted the amendment, and passed the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Ranover, was taken up. The amendment on sheet marked A, offered by Mr. Frye, of Bethel, was rejected. On motion of Mr. Frye, of Bethel, the bill was amended as on sheets annexed marked B. and C. It was then laid on the table.

Resolve, in favor of certain Passamaquoddy Indians;

Resolve, in favor of Ephraim S. Crockett; were severally finally passed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act, to authorize the County Commissioners of the Counties of Cumberland and Lincoln, to lay out a road over the bridge erected on New-Meadows river, at a place called Little Bull Rock, was passed to be enacted. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

William T. Johnson, Clerk.