

dred dollars ; for the use of the hospital department, the sum of eight thousand dollars ; and to pay arrearages, the sum of five thousand dollars ; making in the aggregate the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars, to be expended by the inspectors, warden, and physician of said prison, under the direction of the governor and council, and that warrants be drawn accordingly. [*Approved by the Governor, May 16, 1853.*]

Chap. 81

Controversies,
etc., to be decided
by umpires.

Resolves in favor of Peaceful Substitutes for War.

Resolved, That we deem it both proper and desirable for the government of the United States, whenever practicable, to secure, in its treaties with foreign powers, a provision for referring to the decision of umpires, all controversies that cannot be satisfactorily adjusted by negotiation.

To be transmitted
to senators and
representatives
in congress.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit these resolutions, and the accompanying report, to our senators and representatives in congress, with the expression of our desire that they will use their influence, in such way as they may deem best for the accomplishment of this object. [*Approved by the Governor, May 23, 1853.*]

Chap. 82

Commissioners to
digest insurance
laws of this
commonwealth
into one act.

Resolve for Revision of the Laws relating to Insurance.

Resolved, That the governor, with the advice of the council, be authorized to appoint two commissioners, whose duty it shall be to revise and digest into one act all the general statutes of this commonwealth, upon the subject of insurance, with power for that purpose to examine the books, and also the officers and agents, under oath, of any insurance company incorporated by this commonwealth, upon all matters relating to the practice of insurance under said statutes, and report their doings in the premises to the next general court ; and said commissioners shall keep an account of all their actual services and expenses in executing said commission, to be duly audited and allowed by the governor and council, and paid by warrants upon the treasury duly drawn for that purpose by the governor. [*Approved by the Governor, May 25, 1853.*]

Chap. 83

Act of Eunice B.
Hall, administra-
trix of estate of
Eunice Hall,
relating to sale
of real estate,
confirmed.

Resolve on the Petition of Eunice B. Hall.

Resolved, For reasons set forth in said petition, that Eunice B. Hall, of Medford, in the county of Middlesex, administratrix with the will annexed, of the estate of Eunice Hall, late of Medford, in the county of Middlesex, widow, deceased, be authorized and allowed to make, file, and have recorded in