Also, joint resolutions affecting the prospective relief of our volunteers;

Which was read the first time, and referred to the committee on Militia.

Also, a bill entitled, An act for the more certain and speedy apprehension of slaves who may runaway from Worcester county;

Which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Townsend, Sellman and Smith.

The Senate adjourned until  $10\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock to-morrow, A. M.

## SATURDAY, December 21st, 1861.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee on Militia, to which was referred the resolution of thanks to Lieut. Russell, Lieut. Sproston and Capt. Purviance;

Also, resolutions affecting the prospective relief of our volunteers, reported them without amendment, and

The resolutions were then severally read the second time.

Mr. Sellman, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill entitled, An act to amend the 107th section of the 81st article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the fixing of the commissions of Executors, and to taxing the same, reported it without amendment.

The bill was then read the second time.

Mr. Blackiston, from the select committee, to which was referred the bill entitled, An act to authorize and empower Joseph A. Harper and John Greenwood, of Wm., to execute a deed to Richard Smith, reported it without amendment.

The bill was then read the second time.