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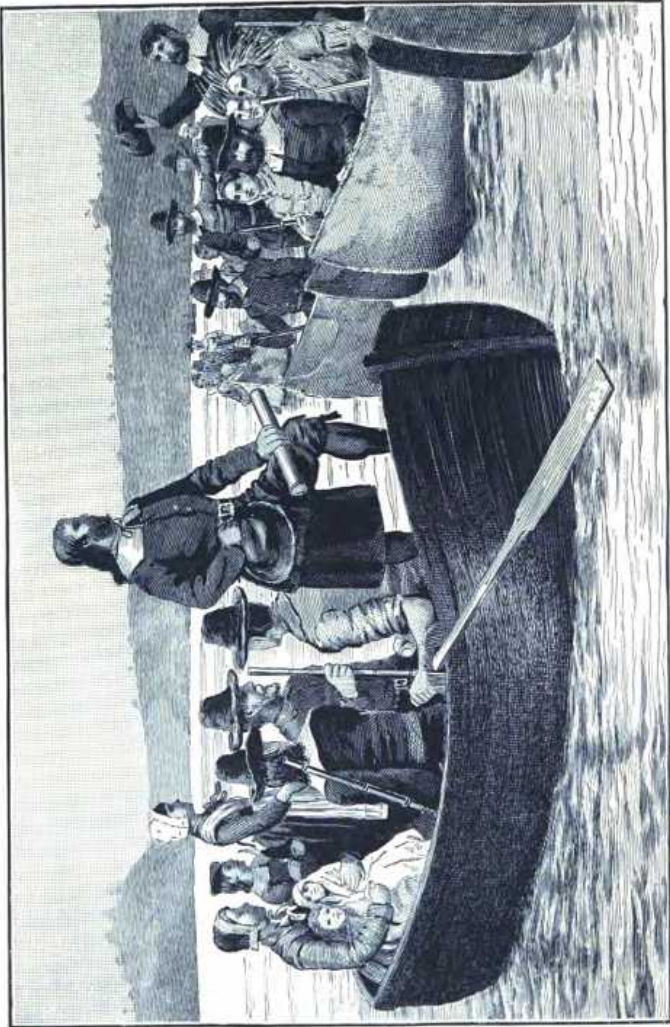
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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

JANUARY SESSION, A. D., 1885.

RESOLUTION to print two thousand copies of the report of the Commissioners to decorate the Providence County Court House, and of the addresses and poem delivered before the General Assembly relating thereto.

(Passed February 26, 1885.)

RESOLVED, That the report of the Commissioners to decorate the Providence County Court House, together with the addresses and poem delivered before the General Assembly relating thereto, be printed, and two thousand copies thereof be published for the use of the General Assembly.

A true copy. Attest:

JOSHUA M. ADDEMAN,
Secretary of State.



INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

THE Providence County Court House, erected under the supervision of a commission elected by the General Assembly, was dedicated December 18, 1877. The Commissioners deemed it judicious to postpone for a time the painting and decorating of the interior walls and ceilings, and they were accordingly left plain and rough. The General Assembly, at its January Session, 1884, authorized the Governor to appoint a commission for the purpose of contracting for and superintending the painting and improving the interior of the Providence County Court House, erecting a second tier of alcoves in the State Law Library, and making such other incidental improvements as they might deem necessary and proper, and appropriated the sum of \$10,000 for the expense thereof. His Excellency Governor Bourn, on the 8th of April, 1884, appointed as Commissioners for the forego-

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ing purpose the Hon. John H. Stiness, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and one of the Commissioners for the erection of the building, Mr. Alfred Stone, the architect of the structure, and the Hon. Edward L. Freeman, of the House of Representatives.

The Commissioners proceeded at once to discharge the duty assigned them, and on the 25th of February, 1885, submitted the following report :