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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

S T A T E O F M A I N E ,

A. D. 1843.

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RESOLVES

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1843.

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**Chapter 172.**

Resolves relating to the imprisonment of citizens of this state in other states.

*Resolved*, That the imprisonment of any citizen of Maine, by the authority of any state in the Union, without the allegation of the commission of any crime, and solely on account of his color, is a gross violation of the federal constitution, as well as the principles of rational liberty.

Relating to the imprisonment of citizens of this state in other states, &c.

*Resolved*, That whenever the governor of this state, shall be applied to in behalf of any citizen imprisoned as aforesaid, and it shall appear to him, by a representation under oath, made by any creditable person, that such person so imprisoned, is held in prison on account of his color only, it shall be the duty of the governor, forthwith to take all suitable and proper measures, to cause such citizen to be discharged from his imprisonment; and the legality of such imprisonment to be tried and determined by the courts of the United States; and the governor may draw his warrant on the treasury of the state, to defray any reasonable and necessary expenses thereby incurred.

When a citizen of this state is imprisoned on account of color only, duty of the governor.

Expenses paid from the state treasury.

*Resolved*, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of these resolves, to the governors of the several states, to be communicated to the legislatures thereof.

[*Approved March 20, 1843.*]

**Chapter 173.**

Resolve confirming the title of Abijah Garland to a lot of land sold to him by the state.

*Resolved*, That the land agent be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to confirm to Abijah Garland, of Ellsworth, in the county of Hancock, his title deed to a lot of land in said Ellsworth, being lot number two hundred and forty two, which deed was given to said Garland by James Irish, in his capacity of land agent, and bears date the twenty fifth day of October, A. D. 1837, the acknowledgment of which was by mistake omitted.

Title of Abijah Garland to a lot of land, confirmed.

[*Approved March 20, 1843.*]