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REVISED STATUTES

OF THE

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CHAPTER 144.

THE STATE PENSION LAW.

- SEC. 1. Pensions, not exceeding eight dollars a month, to soldiers and seamen.
 - 2. Pensions to dependent widow, orphans and sisters. Proviso.
 - 3. The preceding sections do not include non-resident soldiers or seamen.
 - Governor and council shall regulate the proof required, and issue certificates to pensioners.
 - Town treasurers shall pay pensioners, quarterly; towns shall be reimbursed from the treasury of the State.
 - 6. Necessary blanks shall be issued to municipal officers at expense of State.
 - Municipal officers are not entitled to any fee or compensation from the State for services under this chapter.

Pensions to soldiers and seamen. 1871, c.179, § 1.

-proviso.

Pensions to dependent widow, orphans and sisters. 1874, c.203, § 2.

-proviso.

Benefits are limited to residents. 1871, c.179, § 3.

Certificates, by whom to be issued. 1871, c.179, § 4.

Pensioners, to be paid, quarterly, SEC. 1. Any person who has served by enlistment in the army or navy of the United States, in the war of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, on the quota of Maine, and who has been disabled by wounds or other injury received in said service, in the line of duty, is entitled to a pension from the State of Maine, not exceeding eight dollars a month; provided, that such soldier or seaman is unable from his own resources and the United States pension to obtain a livelihood.

SEC. 2. The widow during her widowhood, orphan children under twelve years of age, orphan minor children over twelve years of age who are partially or totally disabled by accident or chronic sickness, or the dependent parent or sister of any soldier or seaman, deceased from wounds or injury sustained in the service while in the line of duty, are entitled to the same pension as is provided in the preceding section, and under similar conditions; provided, that no more than eight dollars a month shall be paid to one family.

- SEC. 3. The two preceding sections do not include any soldier or seaman who was not a resident of this state at the time of entering the service, or who has not since become a resident thereof.
- SEC. 4. The execution of this chapter devolves upon the governor and council, who shall regulate the proof required to entitle applicants to the benefit thereof, and shall issue certificates therefor.
- SEC. 5. Upon the issue of such certificate, the treasurer of the city, town, or plantation where the pensioner resides shall be notified thereof,

and shall pay quarterly from the treasury of said city, town, or planta- Chap. 144. tion, to the pensioner, the amount specified and for the time specified by town in said certificate, and take vouchers therefor, and the same shall be 1871, c.179, § 5. re-imbursed to said treasurer from the treasury of the State.

The necessary blanks shall be issued to the mayors of cities, selectmen of towns and assessors of plantations, as the governor may direct, and the expense of printing and distribution shall be paid out of the treasury of the State.

Blanks shall town officers, at State's expense. 1871, c.179, § 6.

SEC. 7. No officer of any city, town, or plantation shall receive any fees or compensation from the State for services performed under this chapter, or in carrying its provisions into effect.

officers are not entitled to fees. 1872, c. 5, § 2.

The foregoing act, from chapter one to chapter one hundred and forty-four, both inclusive, shall take effect and become law on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, August 29, 1883. This bill, including chapters one to one hundred and forty-four, inclusive, having had three several readings, passed to be enacted.

J. MANCHESTER HAYNES, Speaker.

In Senate, August 29, 1883.

This bill, including chapters one to one hundred and forty-four, inclusive, having had two several readings, passed to be enacted.

JOHN L. CUTLER, President.

August 29, 1883. Approved.

FREDERICK ROBIE, Governor.