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STATE OF MAINE,

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STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, January 28, 1833.

The Joint Standing Committee on State Roads, to which was recommitted the report in favor of the Baring and Houlton Road, for a statement of facts, ask leave to

REPORT:

That, by the Resolve of March 30, 1831, there was appropriated, for the purpose of making the Baring and Houlton Road, through Orion and Townships No. Ten and Eleven, the sum of three thousand dollars. Out of this sum, there has been paid to Nathaniel Merrill, the Agent for that year, and others, the sum of four hundred and eleven dollars, ninety-eight cents, leaving an unexpended balance in the Treasury of two thousand five hundred and eighty-eight dollars, two cents. That, by the Resolve of March 5, 1832, there was a further appropriation, for the aforesaid purpose, of two thousand dollars, making, with the balance unexpended, of 1831, the sum of four thousand five hundred and eighty-eight dollars, two cents. By the same Resolve, it was made the duty of the Agent, who might be appointed to superintend the making the road through Orion and No. Ten and Eleven, to locate through that part of Township No. Eight, which belongs to the State, and through the Indian Township No. Two. And the Land Agent was authorized to sell all that part of Township No. Four, in the first Range north of Bingham Purchase, and a sum not exceeding the amount of the proceeds was appropriated for the purpose of opening and making the road through No. Eight and the Indian Township.

Israel Heald, of Lincoln, was appointed the Agent, under this Resolve, has attended to his duty, and located the road through both the aforesaid described sections.

After locating the Road, he advertised to receive proposals for the making that part of it which lies in No. Ten and Eleven, and Orion, in one mile contracts, beginning at the north line of No. Eleven.

He received proposals and made contracts for the construction of the first seven miles, which contracts amounted to the sum of four thousand one hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

The account of the said Agent for the location of the road through the two sections before described, and for the superintendence of the execution of the contracts for the first seven miles, amounted to four hundred and fourteen dollars, eighty-seven cents.

The Agent also received proposals for the making

of the 8th, 9th and 10th miles, which amounted to one thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight dollars, forty cents. He also received proposals for the making of the eleventh and twelfth miles, at the rate of twelve hundred and sixty-four dollars per mile; but, as the appropriation which had been made was required for the contracts for the first seven miles, these proposals were not accepted.

It was also the opinion of the Agent, that, even if the sum appropriated had been sufficient, the proposals for the eleventh and twelfth miles were too high, and should not, therefore, be accepted; and he had no doubt but that four thousand dollars would be adequate to the construction of the five miles of the section of this Road through Orion and No. Ten, which yet remain to be contracted for.

As the proceeds of the sales of Township No. Four, specifically appropriated for the construction of that part of the Road which runs through Township No. Eight and the Indian Township, greatly exceed the amount required for the construction of said part, your Committee have recommended and do recommend the transfer of four thousand dollars from the excess of said appropriation, in order to meet the deficiency of the appropriation for that part of the Road through Orion and Townships No. Ten and Eleven.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JABEZ BRADBURY, Chairman.

STATE OF MAINE.

AN ADDITIONAL RESOLVE for completing the Baring and Houlton Road.

Resolved, That the appropriation made by the Resolve for completing the Baring and Houlton Road, passed the fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, be extended to the making of all parts of said Road, passing through land belonging to the State; and the Agent, appointed to locate and make said Road, in virtue of said Resolve, is hereby authorized to apply such part of said appropriation, not exceeding the sum of four thousand dollars, as may be found necessary, towards making that part of said Road which lies north of Township numbered Eight; any thing in said Resolve to the contrary notwithstanding.

STATE OF MAINE.

In Senate, February 6, 1833.

Ordered, That two hundred and fifty copies of this Report and Resolve be printed for the use of the Legislature.

[Extract from the Journal.]

Attest,

T. J. CARTER, Secretary.