

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 21.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE relating to foreign immigration.

WHEREAS, the strength and prosperity of a state
2 depend immediately upon its population, and whereas
3 the present national conflict has diverted large num-
4 bers of the industrious and valuable men of Maine
5 from the peaceful pursuits of private life to the public
6 service, thereby materially diminishing activity in the
7 important departments of mechanical and agricultural
8 employments, the restoration of which would be of
9 incalculable profit to the state, and whereas this can
10 in no other way be so surely and advantageously
11 secured as by foreign immigration, therefore

Resolved, That this state will pay to the “Foreign
2 Emigrant Association of Maine,” for each able-bodied
3 foreign immigrant between the ages of fifteen and fifty

4 years whom they shall within the next five years
5 introduce into this state and cause to remain for the
6 period of one year after such introduction without
7 becoming chargeable to any town of this state as a
8 pauper, the sum of twenty-five dollars, to be paid by
9 the governor upon said association furnishing to the
10 governor and council satisfactory evidence that the
11 foregoing conditions have been complied with.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 5, 1864. }

Presented by Mr. LYNCH of Portland, and on his motion laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

HORACE STILSON, *Clerk.*