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THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM,

AT

BATH, ME.

1880.

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OFFICERS,

December 31, 1880.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN, President. GEORGE E. MORSE, Secretary. C. A. COOMBS, Treasurer.

TRUSTEES.

Appointed by the Governor. JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN, BRUNSWICK. SELDEN CONNOR, AUGUSTA. ALFRED D. STETSON, Bath. ISAAC S. BANGS, Waterville.

Appointed by the Association. CHARLES A. COOMBS, Bath. SETH T. WOODWARD, Bath. GEORGE E. MORSE, Bath.

LADY VISITORS.

MRS. NELSON DINGLEY, JR., Lewiston. MRS. C. A. L. SAMPSON, Bath. MRS. MERRILL, Portland.

MISS CLARA M. FARWELL, Rockland.

MRS. G. W. QUINBY, Augusta.

MRS. E. C. T. STURTEVANT, Richmond.

MRS. W. S. PERRY, Brunswick.

MRS. IRA P. BOOKER, Brunswick.

MRS. MOSES GIDDINGS, Bangor.

MRS. A. J. FULLER, Bath.

MRS. JAMES A. HALL, Damariscotta.

MRS. S. F. HAMILTON, Saco.

MISS HELENA T. PRESCOTT, Matron. Alpheus P. Simpson, Steward and Overseer. At a meeting of the Association holden at Bath, January 5, 1880, Messrs. Rogers, Coombs and Woodward were re-elected Trustees.

At a meeting of the Trustees on the same day, F. B. Torrey was elected President; Mr. Morse was re-elected Secretary, and Mr. Coombs as Treasurer.

Mr. Rogers resigned February 9, 1880, and George E. Morse was chosen in his place by the Trustees.

Mr. Torrey's term expired in May, and Alfred D. Stetson was appointed in his place, and J. L. Chamberlain elected President.

Mr. Spaulding's term expired in May, and Isaac S. Bangs was appointed in his place.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To the Honorable the Governor and Council:

The Trustees of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, respectfully submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1880.

The purposes for which this institution was established, appear still to warrant the continued care of the State, and to vindicate the wisdom of the bounty so directed.

There are so many soldiers enfeebled by the hardships of the field who have lingered along and are dying every year, really victims of the war, and leaving young families in a dependent condition, that this Home finds no lack of material for its benevolence.

The Trustees have endeavored to see to it that the interests of these children are promoted in accordance with the intentions of the founders, and the sentiments of philanthropy and patriotism which characterize our citizens. In doing this we fulfill the pledges made to the men and women who were called upon to surrender their own comfort to the well-being of the nation, that we would care for their families. And on general principles provision for the children of a country is a mark of civilization and Christianity.

The Trustees have been able to take some steps toward improvements this year, in the general economy and management of the Home. They are happy to report that the good judgment, capacity and disciplinary skill of Miss Prescott, the Matron, are still retained for the benefit of the institution. There are elements in the Home, however, which in the judgment of the Trustees require the presence of a competent and efficient man, who should have the general superintendence of what might be called the *material* part of the establishment, and educate and train the older boys to habits of industry and obedience, and teach them some useful works, and give them thus a start in life.

To this end they have secured the services of Mr. A. P. Simpson, who in addition to performing all the work and service hitherto rendered by male employes, has given efficient instruction to the boys; and the good results of his intelligent efforts and fidelity are already apparent in the improved economy and general management of the institution.

The kindness and generous interest of the people of Bath are sources of advantage. The privilege which the children have of attending the excellent schools of the city, is of the greatest value.

Cases sometimes arise which involve difficulty. Children are sent to the Home not properly entitled to its privileges, and once there, the Trustees do not like to send them away to depend upon luck and chance, or what is generally worse, to go to the poor house, which is a poor nursery of youth.

The Trustees also experience some difficulty in placing the grown-up children in proper situations. It appears that they have now no power to bind them out to such service or trade as they may deem fit, and it is the opinion of the present Board that the Trustees should be made full guardians, with powers to control the course of the children until their majority.

Further information is given in the detailed reports of the several officers and committees which follow.

In the judgment of the Trustees, an appropriation by the State of \$14,000 is required for the support of the institution for the two coming years.

Acknowledgments are due to Mrs. Sampson and other ladies of Bath for their continued interest, and to the pub-

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lishers of the Bath Daily Times, Rockland Gazette, Brunswick Telegraph, Lewiston Journal, Portland Transcript, Gospel Banner, Waterville Mail, Maine State Press, Arthur's Magazine, Newport Times, New Church Magazine and Home Farm, who have generously furnished these periodicals during the year, and to Mr. John O. Shaw, who in like manner has furnished the St. Nicholas, Wide-Awake and Babyland.

J. L. CHAMBERLAIN,

For the Trustees.

BATH, January 3, 1881.

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MATRON'S REPORT.

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NAMES OF CHILDREN AT THE HOME DURING ANY PART OF YEAR.

NAME.	Residence.	Age.	Remarks.
Ayer, Walter Bancroft, Augusta Blake, Jamos Brown, Edward Butters, Percy Butters, Frederick	Dixfieldl Augustal Pownall Lewistonl	17 13 9	Son of Llewellyn Ayer, 14th Me. Regiment. Child of Dan'l Bancroft, died in rebel prison. Child of James Blake, 5th Me. Child of Henry C. Brown, 8th Me. Children of Renaldo Butters, 15th Me.
Butler, Frederick F Cooledge, Albert	Forest City Chesterville	8	Child of J. S. Butler, 11th Me. Children of J. S. Cooledge, 17th Me.
Cooledge, Maria Connor, Charles Crocker, Effie Coughlin, Patsy Day, Caroline Day, Nellie	Lewiston Farmington	10 14 12	Child of E. Connor, 1st Me. Child of Abner Crocker, 16th Me. Child of Dennis Coughlin, 7th Me. Children of Wm. H. Day.
Day, Lucinda Davis, Charlotte Davis, Inez Davis, Addie	N. Monmouth. Howland Howland Howland	8 11 9 7	Children of Charles Davis, Co. I, 9th Me.
Davis, Freddie Douglass, William H. Douglass, Carrie M Douglass, Emily F	-	5 11 9 5	Children of George W. Douglass, Co. C, 20th Me. Vols.
Fletcher, Mabel Fletcher, John Forrest, Henry	Lewiston Lewiston Hallowell	12 13	Children of David Fletcher, 13th N. H. Child of Wm. Forrest, 19th Me.
Gilcrease, Frank Gilcrease, Guy Gilcrease, Walter	Dixfield Dixfield Dixfield	121	Children of B. T. Gilcrease, 1st Me. Cav.
George, Carrie George, John Ham, Charles E	Machias	12 9 15	Children of John George, 6th Me. Child of John H. Ham, 5th Me.
Hatch, Lewis Huxly, Hattie Johnson, Joseph	Mapleton	11	Son of Horace J. Hatch, 16th Me. Regt. Children of W. H. P. Johnson, 30th Me. Volunteers.
Johnson, Charles Maxwell, Frank M	Winthrop	14)
Maxwell, Angie C Maxwell, Myra T Maxwell, Charles H	Winthrop Winthrop Winthrop	12 9 5	Children of C. N. Maxwell, 3d and 17th Me.
Moore, Hattie A Motley, Hattie Motley, Rufus	Bath Bath Bath	10 4	Child of T. T. Moore, 1st Cav. Children of Charles Motley, 3d Vt. In- fantry.
McGowen, Willie McGowen, Cora McKay, Annie	Portland Bath		Children of James McGowen, 20th Me.
McKay, Katie McKay, Lizzie McKay, Hugh	Bath Bath Bath	12 7 7	Children of Hugh McKay, 32d Me.

MATRON'S REPORT.

NAME.	Residence.	Age.	Remarks.
Newton, Winfield P Page, Reuben T Page, Harry E Page, Melville Page, Melville Page, Mabel Page, David Page, David P	Chelsea. Chelsea. Gardiner. Gardiner. Dennysville. Dennysville. Liberty Liberty Southport Burnham Topsham. Bath Yarmouth Yarmouth Woolwich Woolwich Rockland Rockland Rockland	$\begin{array}{c} 10 \\ 7 \\ 11 \\ 8 \\ 3 \\ 12 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 9 \\ 11 \\ 14 \\ 17 \\ 11 \\ 8 \\ 14 \\ 10 \\ 17 \\ 11 \\ 10 \\ 17 \\ 15 \\ 12 \end{array}$	<pre>Children of David Page, 31st Me. Children of David Page, 1st Me. Children of A. W. Pullen, 9th Me. Child of Lyman W. Pinkham, 19th Me. Child of Joshua Reynolds. Children of Isaiah Simpson, 1st Me. H. A. Children of Wm. H. True, 5th Me. Children of James Trott, 3d Me. Children of J. Wakely, 4th M.</pre>

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NAMES OF CHILDREN—Concluded.

H. T. PRESCOTT, Matron.

RETURN OF CHILDREN RECEIVED, SENT FROM, AND RETURNED TO HOME DURING THE YEAR.

Admitted.

April 7, 1880, Cora Foss, Henry Foss, children of Samuel Foss, Co. H, 28th Regt. Maine Vols.

April 20, 1880, Charlotte Davis, Inez Davis, Addie Davis, Fred Davis, children of

April 21, 1880, Villiam H. Douglass, Carrie M. Douglass, Emma F. Douglass, children of George W. Douglass, Co. C, 20th Maine Vols. May 4, 1880, Hattio Motley, Rufus Motley, children of Charles Motley, 3d Maine

Vols.

July 30, 1880, Lewis Hatch, child of H. J. Hatch, 16th Maine Vols.

August 24, 1880, Walter L. Ayer, child of Llewellyn Ayer, 14th Regt. Maine Vols.

PLACED.

January 27, 1880, Emma Leathers, Mother, Southbrook, Me. January 28, 1880, James Blake, John G. Sanborn, Horn's Mills, N. H. January 28, 1880, Frank Gilcrease, J. G. Sanborn, Horn's Mills, N. H. February 17, 1880, Charles E. Han, Maxwell Powers, Bowdoinham, Me. March 15, 1880, Guy Gilcrease, S. W. Dutton, Riverside, Me. March 20, 1880, Mabel Page, J. F. Hall, Alfred, Me. March 20, 1880, David Page, J. F. Hall, Alfred, Me. March 20, 1880, David Page, J. F. Hall, Alfred, Me. March 20, 1880, Reubon Page, John Roberts, Alfred, Me. March 20, 1880, Percy Butters, Emulous Giles, Alfred, Me. March 28, 1880, Myra F. Maxwell, Mrs. Sampson, Bath Me. March 29, 1880, Frank M. Maxwell, Father, Alabama. April 7, 1880, Angie Maxwell, Elias Goff, No. Windham, Mo. April 7, 1880, Lena A. Trott, S. D. Fox, Wolfboro', N. H. April 21, 1880, James Wakely, Mrs. Ross, Gardiner, Me. May 27, 1880, Frederic Butters, J. G. Sanborn, Horn's Mills, N. H. June 25, 1880, Edward Ham, W. E. Douglass, Durham. July 1, 1880, Henry Foss, Daniel McKown, Southport. July 2, 1880, Albert Pinkham, F. Carleton, Woolwich. July 2, 1880, Winfield Newton, Mother, Peru. July 2, 1880, Hattie Motley, Mother, Bath. July 6, 1880, Rufus Motley, Mother, Bath. July 8, 1880, Cora Foss, Susan Philbrick, Bath. July 13, 1880, Hattie Moore, Sister, Salem, Mass. September 7, 1880, Walter L. Ayer, W. D. Hatch, Bowdoin. November 13, 1880, Lewis Hatch, E. N. Howe, Marlow, N. H. July 1, 1880, Henry Foss, Daniel McKown, Southport.

RETURNED TO HOME.

February 25, 1880, Mabel Page, from Mr. Coombs, Bowdoinham. March 22, 1880, Lavonia Reynolds, Mr. Wentworth, Vassalboro'. April 28, 1880, Hattie Huxford, Houlton. April 29, 1880, Herbert Page, Gardiner.

April 29, 1880, Melville Page, Gardiner.

April 29, 1880, Increace Page, Gardiner. May 17, 1880, Ida Pullen, Mrs. Beals, Georgetown. May 29, 1880, James Blake, J. G. Sanborn, Horn's Mills, N. H.

June 18, 1880, Edward Ham, M. Powers, Bowdoin.

July 27, 1880, Angeline Maxwell, Elias Goff, Gorham. September 7, 1880, Henry Forrest, W. D. Hatch. September 16, 1880, Harry True, Mother. November 18, 1880, Albert Brown, transferred from Mrs. Israel Simpson to Mrs. S. Frank Barker, Newton, Mass.

F. B. TORREY, A. D. STETSON, Committee.

Report of Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

To the President and Trustees of

Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum:

GENTLEMEN : — Your Committee on grounds and buildings and employes, beg leave to make the following report:

There has been little or no change among the employes. Miss Prescott, matron, and Mrs. Dyer, housekeeper, still retain those positions. Mrs. Sampson was employed last spring to take charge of the sewing room at \$4.00 per week, and Miss Auld as her assistant at \$2.50 per week.

Mr. A. P. Simpson was employed last April as steward and overseer of out-door affairs and work on and about the grounds and buildings.

All have attended to their duties faithfully. In accordance with Mr. Simpson's report to me, I would state there have been raised on the premises :

Vegetables	\$39	79
Fruit	66	59
Hay, 2 tons	28	00
Pork, 949 lbs		
Milk, 914 gallons	219	36
Veal		
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	\$430	90

These have been consumed at the Home, with the exception of fruit to the worth of \$10.20, which amount was handed to the Treasurer.

The buildings will need painting another season.

Your Committee would recommend that Mr. Simpson be retained, as we believe him to be a valuable man for the Home. We would further recommend that a suitable man and his wife be employed to manage the Home, under direction of the several committees; the man as Superintendent and his wife as Matron. Such course if practicable, would materially lessen the expense, which is especially desirable, now that the number of children is so much less than in former years.

To substantiate our recommendation in the latter particular, we annex the following :

Suggestions Annexed to Report of Committee on Grounds, Buildings and Employes.

The present weekly pay-roll is :

Matron	\$8.00 6.00	per week;	board at	$ \begin{array}{c} \$4\ldots \\ 4\ldots \end{array} $	$ \$12 \ 00 \\ 10 \ 00 $	
Housekeeper Sewing woman.	4.00	÷ •	<u> </u>	$4\ldots$		
Sewing woman. Cook	$2.50 \\ 3.50$	" "	۶ ((($4\ldots$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 6 & 50 \\ 7 & 50 \end{array}$	
2 Laun. women.	6.00	" "	" "	$\frac{1}{8}$	14 00	
Chambermaid	$\begin{array}{c} 2.50 \\ 8.00 \end{array}$	" "	6 6 6 6	4	6 50	
Man	0.00			4	12 00	
					\$76 50	
In comparison with this, the proposed pay-roll stands :						
Man and wife \$13.00 per week; board at \$8\$21 00 Assistant matron 4.00 " 4 8 00						
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Assistant matron	4.00		" "	4 8	00
1 Laundry woman.	3.50	66	" "	47	50
1 Sewing woman	4.00	66	" "	4 8	00
Cook	3.50	66	"	4 7	50
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\$52 00

Showing saving per week of \$24.50, or \$1,274 per annum. All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. T. WOODWARD,

Committee on G., B. and Employes.

January 3, 1881.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Classified Receipts and Expenditures for 1880.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year	\$416	85
Appropriation from State	7,000	00
Coupons from bonds, permanent fund	520	00
Cash for pears sold, \$2.00; calf's skin, \$1.00	3	00
Cash for old churn sold, \$1.00; grapes, 60c	1	60
Cash for rags sold, \$1.77; barrels, 24c	2	01
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EXPENDITURES.

Matron	\$416	00
Housekeeper	312	00
Sewing	321	06
Cooking	177	00
Washing and ironing	313	50
House cleaning	156	50
Steward and overseer of work	365	99
Medical attendance and medicine	128	05
Gas	60	90
Hay, feed, and pasturing cows	113	29
Trucking, hacking and express bills	8	00
Traveling expenses of children and attendant	79	60
Groceries and provisions	$2,\!126$	97
Repairing house, painting, carpet and furniture	440	07
Postage, stationery and books	106	93
Boots, shoes, and repairs	240	97
Clothing for boys	344	55
Dry goods	784	35
Girls' hats and millinery	83	85
Wood and coal	612	00

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Crockery, hardware and kitchen utensils	\$104	44
Repairs of furnace and pipes	170	76
Plumbing and material	81	75
Sewing machine	35	00
Ice	24	60
Clock and repairs	13	95
Printing and advertising	4	50
Hair cutting	7	00
Expenses of Trustees	8	00
Cleaning vault	36	00
Not classified	58	76
	\$7,736	34
Cash on hand to balance	207	12
	\$7,943	46

CHARLES A. COOMBS,

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Treasurer.

BATH, January, 1881.

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PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

Trustees Soldiers and Sailors Orphans' Home:

GENTLEMEN :---I have to report but three cases of sickness among the children of the Home for the month of December.

The number now under treatment is three, all chronic cases and all doing well.

There has been no accident or death among the inmates for the past year.

Strict attention has been given to the children's food, bathing, bedding, sleeping rooms and amusements.

The cooking and drainage have been frequently inspected, especially during the summer months, when neglect of them produces most danger. From these, added to the good care given the children, I attribute the fact that none of the fevers or diseases occurring outside the Home have found subjects within.

No child sent from the Home has been returned on account of disease or physical defect.

This institution is really what its name implies—a home; and to the economical yet liberal Trustees, and to Miss Prescott and her assistants, too much praise cannot be given for making and keeping it such.

Very respectfully,

EDWARD P. ROCHE, M. D. BATH, Maine, January 1, 1881.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

BATH MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

ART. 1. The Board of Trustees shall meet on the first Monday in January for the purpose of organization. Stated meetings of the Board shall occur monthly on the first Monday in each month at 9 o'clock A. M.

ART. 2. At each monthly meeting or oftener the Lady Visitors may make a report or statement to the Trustees in reference to the Asylum, and such action may be taken thereon as seems best.

ART. 3. The Treasurer shall have charge of all moneys collected for the Association, pay orders drawn upon him under a resolution of the Board, or by the Committee of Finance. He shall give a bond which shall be satisfactory to the Trustees; shall invest or hold all funds under their direction; shall keep an accurate account of his receipts and payments in a book for that purpose, which shall be open to the inspection of the Trustees; and shall make an annual report to them, and also the Association at their annual meeting.

ART. 4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board of Trustees, and report the same at its meetings. He shall give notice in writing of all stated and special meetings of the Board.

ART. 5. No alteration in these By-Laws shall be made, unless notice be given at a previous meeting of such alteration.

BY-LAWS.

BY-LAWS OF THE

BATH MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

ART. 1. This Association shall be called the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, the objects and designs of which are to afford a home, food, clothing and education for destitute orphan children of soldiers, sailors and marines in the late war of the rebellion, to put them in the way of learning some useful trade or occupation, or otherwise provide for them till they have attained a suitable age to take care of themselves.

ART. 2. Any person may become a member of this Association during its pleasure by a vote thereof, and on the payment of twenty-five dollars any one shall become a memberfor life.

ART. 3. This Association shall meet annually on the first Monday in January, public notice of which shall be given at least three days in one or more daily newspapers, at which meeting there shall be elected *three* gentlemen as Trustees and twelve Lady Visitors, not more than *three* (3) to be resident of the same town or city.

ART. 4. Special meetings of the Association shall be held at the request in writing of five members, to be called by the President, or in his absence by the Secretary, in the same manner as the annual meeting.

ART. 5. The Board of Trustees shall consist of seven gentlemen, four appointed by the Governor, and three to be chosen by the Association at their annual meeting in May. They shall choose their own officers, fill vacancies that occur in their Board, and also in Board of Lady Visitors, during the remainder of the year, and make all needful by-laws and regulations, and three members shall constitute a quorum. ART. 6. The Board of Trustees shall have the control and management of all real estate, investments, personal securities and other funds belonging to the Association, and shall exercise a general supervision over the Asylum, and do all which its best interests in their judgment require, and report their doings in detail to the Association at its annual meeting.

ART. 7. The Lady Visitors are expected to visit the Asylum from time to time, and carefully observe the condition and internal management thereof, reporting annually, in writing, to the Trustees, on or before the 15th of December, the result of their inspection, and at any other time when they shall deem it desirable for the interest of the Institution.

ART. 8. These by-laws shall not be altered or amended, except at an annual or special meeting of the Association, at which not less than ten members shall be present.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

An act to incorporate the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. John Patten, George F. Patten, Charles Davenport, Oliver Moses and J. P. Morse, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Trustees of Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, for the purpose of rearing and educating, gratuitously, in the common branches of learning and ordinary industrial pursuits, the orphans and half-orphans of officers, soldiers, seamen and marines who have entered the service of the government from Maine during the war for the suppression of the rebellion, and have died while in said service, or subsequently from wounds received, or injuries or disease contracted while in said service; and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the duties and liabilities of like corporations in this State.

SECT. 2. If the aforesaid corporators shall within two years raise the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and shall exhibit satisfactory evidence to the governor and council that the same is duly and permanently secured for the purposes named in this act, then the governor shall be authorized to draw his warrant on the state treasurer for the sum of six hundred dollars, annually, in favor of said corporation, to be by them applied in manner satisfactory to the executive, to carry out the objects herein named.

SECT. 3. Of the twenty thousand dollars to be raised by these corporators, not less than one-fourth part thereof shall be judiciously invested in productive and improved real estate, consisting of not less than twenty-five acres of land, with dwelling house and customary out-buildings, for the occupancy of said orphans and those having charge of them, and fifteen hundred dollars, at least, of said subscription shall be prudently invested in stock, farming utensils, and other personal property necessary for the profitable cultivation of said land, which investment shall be made prior to the reception of the donation from the State herein provided.

SECT. 4. There shall be chosen, annually, for the government of said asylum seven trustees from the members of said corporation, four of whom shall be selected by the governor and council.

SECT. 5. The trustees shall elect annually, one of their number to be president of the board. They shall appoint a clerk and treasurer, both of whom shall be sworn, and shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the trustees. The clerk shall record all proceedings of the board, and copies of their records certified by him shall be evidence in all cases in which the originals might be used. The treasurer shall be required to give suitable bond, and to renew the same whenever the trustees shall require.

SECT. 6. Upon the final execution of the purposes herein specified as the object of this incorporation, viz: the support and education of the orphans and half-orphans of persons engaged in the service of the United States during the recent rebellion, said asylum shall continue the exercise of its corporate powers as an institution for the education and support of such orphans and half-orphans of this State as the trustees under the direction of the legislature, may deem eligible to .admission therein.

[Approved February 23, 1866.]

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STATE OF MAINE.

IN COUNCIL. January 20, 1881.

Received and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed, for use of the Legislature and State Departments.

Attest:

JOSEPH O. SMITH, Secretary of State.