MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATEMENT OF FACTS.

It appeared in evidence before the committee that the petitioner, Romain Michaud, in 1842 took up lands in No. 17, Range 7, on and near Wallagrass stream, and settled thereon, before the Fish River road was made; that under the direction of Gen. Webber, agent for Maine and Massachusetts, he worked in opening and keeping passable said road one hundred and sixteen days, and that he entertained the troops sent through to Fort Kent in autumn of 1842, and also the civil posse in the following winter, for which he has never received any compensation. That those in charge of the State's interest in that territory told him to keep account of his services and supplies furnished as aforesaid and it should be paid; but being unable to read or write, and but little knowledge of the English language, he neglected making out his bill at the time, but has often since applied to the Land Office, supposing that to be the proper place, has been as often put off, with the assurance that the matter would be adjusted by the Legislature. Also that in the spring of 1849 he paid to the State the sum of four hundred and fifty-five dollars, and although he would have been entitled to his land under the treaty, the title is still in the State, and he is left without means of support, is old and infirm, and asks the State to do him justice.

Per order of Committee.

WILLIAM IRISH.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Romain Michaud.

Resolved, That there be paid out of the state treasury
2 to Romain Michaud of Wallagrass, the sum of one
3 dollar per week, to be paid semi-annually, from the
4 first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy,
5 during the pleasure of the legislature, it being for
6 money paid by him, and for services to the state.

STATE OF MAINE.