

FORTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 116.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY.

AN ACT to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. All that part of the town of Somerville, 2 in the county of Lincoln, which was set off from the 3 town of Washington, by the act of March fifth, eigh-4 teen hundred and fifty-five, the line to be as follows: 5 Beginning at the stone monument, thence running 6 south thirteen degrees west, to the hemlock tree men-7 tioned in the incorporation act of the town of Putnam, 8 it being at the angle of the Plymouth line, thence on 9 and according to said Plymouth line, and line of the 10 act of incorporation of the town of Putnam, to the 11 north line of Jefferson, is hereby set off from the town

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12 of Somerville aforesaid and annexed to the town of 13 Washington, in the county of Knox.

SECT. 2. All uncollected taxes legally assessed on 2 the inhabitants and estates herein set off shall be col-3 lected by the present collector of said town of Somer-4 ville or his successor, and he shall be held to collect, 5 pay over, and account for the same, as if this act had 6 not passed.

SECT. 3. No part of the present indebtedness of said 2 Washington shall be assessed upon said territory and 3 inhabitants set off from Somerville and annexed to 4 Washington by this act.

SECT. 4. The town of Washington shall support 2 William Jackson, a pauper, and all other paupers 3 whose legal residence is upon said territory set off by 4 this act to the town of Washington, until they shall 5 acquire a settlement elsewhere.

SECT. 5. Said territory by this act set off from 2 Somerville and annexed to Washington, and the in-3 habitants thereon, with their estates, shall pay to the 4 said Somerville the sum of three hundred dollars, and 5 interest thereon from the first day of March, eighteen 6 hundred and seventy, until paid; and said sum shall 7 be assessed by the assessors of Somerville, upon the 8 valuation of said polls and estates made by the asses-9 sors of Washington, each year, in annual assessments

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10 not exceeding one hundred dollars, till paid, and the11 same shall be collected by the collector of Somerville,12 from time to time, in the same manner as if this act13 had not passed.

The town of Washington is hereby author-SECT. 6. 2 ized and empowered to assume the whole or any part 3 of the liability of the territory, and the inhabitants 4 with estates set off by this act from Somerville and 5 annexed to Washington, to wit., three hundred dollars, 6 with interest from March first, eighteen hundred and 7 seventy, and assess in the usual manner, and pay over 8 the same to the treasurer of Somerville, within one 9 year from the date of the passage of this act; provided 10 that at a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Washing-11 ton, upon an article in the warrant calling said meet-12 ing, in which the purposes aforesaid are set forth, two-13 thirds of the legal voters present and voting, so vote 14 to assume and assess the whole, or any part of said 15 liability, and in case they so vote to assume the whole 16 of said liability, then sections three and five of this 17 act shall be void and of no effect, and if they so vote 18 to assume so much of said liability as may then be 19 due, then section three of this act shall be void and 20 of no effect.

SECT. 7. The valuation of the estates hereby set 2 off being eight per cent. of the valuation of the estates

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3 of said town of Somerville, a corresponding sum shall
4 be deducted from the valuation of Somerville and
5 added to the valuation of the town of Washington,
6 in the apportionment of state and county taxes, till a
7 new state valuation shall be made.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved 2 by the governor.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 2, 1870.

Reported from the Committee on Division of Towns, by Mr. SMITH, and laid on the table, ordered printed and assigned for Tuesday next.

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S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.