

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 20.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section eighteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads.

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

Section eighteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, is hereby amended, by striking out the word "railroad," in the second line, and inserting the word "way," and by striking out the words "crosses a way," in the third line, and inserting the words "is crossed by a railroad," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

8 *Sect. 18.* When the municipal officers of a town
9 deem it necessary for public safety, that gates should
10 be erected across a way where it is crossed by

11 a railroad, and that a person should be appointed to
12 open and close them, they may in writing request it to
13 be done, and in case of neglect or refusal, they may
14 apply to the commissioners to decide upon its reasona-
15 bleness, who, after notice and hearing, are to decide.
16 When they decide that such a request is reasonable,
17 the corporation is to comply with it and pay the costs.
18 When they decide otherwise, the costs are to be paid
19 by the applicants.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 2, 1874.

Reported by Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Legal
Affairs, and laid on the table to be printed under the Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*