# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 110.

## STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of the town of Sherman.

Resolved, That the state treasurer be authorized to

- 2 pay the town of Sherman, two hundred dollars, when
- 3 the county commissioners of Aroostook county shall
- 4 certify that a good and substantial bridge has been
- 5 built across the Molunkus stream in said town.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

To the Hon. Senate and House of Representatives:

We the undersigned, citizens of Sherman, respectfully petition and represent that the bridge across Molunkus river in Sherman is unsafe and unfit for travel, and must be rebuilt next season; that there are over forty miles of road in said town to be kept in repair, and about seven miles of road that will have to be built by said town, under a decision of the county commissioners, within two years; that for the last five years said town has expended from \$2,500 to \$3,000 annually for the building and repairing of roads; that the valuation of said town in 1870 was but \$109,240, and since that time the valuation has not increased; the number of polls has decreased some fifteen per cent.

Your petitioners further represent that they have been heavily taxed for the building and support of said roads, and that in the year 1867 a resolve was passed by the Legislature granting all the derelict and swamp lands belonging to the State of Maine, within the town of Sherman, or the proceeds thereof, to be applied for the benefit of the roads in Sherman; that the State of Maine during the past year has sold about one thousand acres of said land, and the proceeds have gone into the State treasury, and no portion of the same has been applied toward the building or repairing of roads in Sherman, and said town has derived no benefit whatever from said one thousand acres under said resolve; that under the circumstances we labor under an excessive burden in building and repairing roads and bridges.

We therefore pray your honorable body to grant an appropriation of \$500 to said town of Sherman to aid in building a substantial bridge over Molunkus river above mentioned.

And as in duty bound will ever pray.

John Burnham,

B. L. Whitehouse,

J. C. Merry,

J. W. Caldwell,

J. C. Steele.

George R. Blodgett,

Daniel Lewis,
L. H. Caldwell,
John Gosnell,
S. Robinson,
L. Clark,
J. Clark,
R. S. Hameton,
A T Robinson

A. T. Robinson, C. E. Robinson, A. P. Robinson, George W. Webber, Levi C. Caldwell, I. B. Gerry, James M. Emery, A. C. Verril.

E. A. Jackman, J. T. Perry,

W. G. Davidson, Milo J. Meriam, H. G. Sleeper, F. M. Caldwell, I. B. Foster, W. S. Leavitt, Oramel Leavitt, J. K. Kellogg, B. E. Reid, A. J. Parker, C. A. Sleeper, T. M. Bradbury, B. H. Towle,

J. P. Ingalls, John G. Dolley, J. H. Dolley, W. H. Webber.

### STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 11, 1876.

Reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, by Mr. ALEXANDER of Linneus, and ordered printed, with Statement of Facts, under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.