

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 37.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Frank Albert.

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars is
2 hereby appropriated, to be paid to Frank Albert,
3 in payment for injuries received while in the ser-
4 vice and in the line of duty, by order of his com-
5 manding officer.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

That on the 7th day of April, 1866, while firing a salute at Augusta, Me., by order of my commanding officer, having been detailed for that purpose, I, said Frank Albert, was injured by the premature discharge of a twelve pound field-piece while he was loading it, which has deprived him of the use of both hands. He has made application for a U. S. pension, but the commissioner of pensions has refused it on the ground that the salute was not ordered by an U. S. officer, but by order of the State authorities. He has a wife and eight children dependent upon him for support. He now draws a State pension of ten dollars per month.

While firing the salute he was as much in the line of duty as though he had been on the field of battle, having been ordered to do so by his commanding officer, whom he had no right to disobey.

STATE OF MAINE.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Augusta, January 24, 1879. }

It is hereby certified, that it appears from the records of this office, that Francis Albert, a private in Company D, Twenty-Ninth Regiment Infantry, Maine Volunteers, enlisted on the twenty-fifth day of September, 1861, and was mustered into the United States service as a private at Cape Elizabeth, on the fourth day of October, 1861, for three years, unless sooner discharged. Re-enlisted as a veteran per G. O. No. 191, S. of 1863, A. G. O., and mustered February 8, 1864, for the period of three years. Mustered out at Hilton Head, S. C., in accordance with telegram instructions from War Department, dated Washington, D. C., May 18, 1866, muster to take effect June 21, 1866.

S. D. LEAVITT,
Adjutant General of Maine.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 8, 1879.

Reported by Mr. ATWELL of Penobscot, from the Committee on Pensions, with Statement of Facts, and laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*