MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 55.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE making appropriation for the support of soldiers' orphans at the Bangor children's home, for the years eighteen hundred and eighty-one and eighteen hundred and eighty-two.

Resolved, that the sum of two thousand dollars

- 2 be, and hereby is appropriated for the support of
- 3 soldiers' orphans at the Bangor children's home, of
- 4 which there shall be paid the sum of one thousand
- 5 dollars in eighteen hundred and eighty-one, and
- 6 the sum of one thousand dollars in the year
- 7 eighteen hundred and eighty-two.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Bangor Children's Home is under the direction of a very able and competent board of managers. This institution, for a number of years, received from the State an annual appropriation of \$2000. In 1877, the appropriation was The managers are furnishing support and reduced to \$1000. the means of education to forty homeless ones, sixteen of whom are the destitute orphans of our dead soldiers, to whom the public faith was plighted, and who died with the State's promise ringing in their ears, to care for their helpless chil-It is the endeavor of the managers to carry into effect that solemn pledge, and they do not believe the State can afford, or will let such an institution languish or be crippled in its efforts or means to effectually fulfill its mission of mercy by withholding so small a pittance as is necessary for its suc-The sum asked of the State, by the mancessful workings. agers, towards the support of the children of soldiers is \$1000; and there is no good reason why the State should not continue to make an appropriation to defray at least a part of the expenses of such support.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 9, 1881.

Reported by Mr HATCH, from Committee on Financial Affairs, and ordered printed under Joint Rule.

ORAMÁNDAL SMITH, Clerk.