

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 107.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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RESOLVE in aid of a bridge in the town of Monticello.

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*Resolved,* That the sum of five hundred dollars  
2 be, and the same is hereby appropriated towards  
3 defraying the expenses of building a bridge across  
4 the north branch of the Meduxnekeag stream in  
5 the town of Monticello, on the road leading from  
6 Houlton to the northern part of the county of  
7 Aroostook. *Provided, however,* that the inhabi-  
8 tants of the town of Monticello shall first raise and  
9 expend for the purpose aforesaid, within two years  
10 from the passage of this resolve, not less than the  
11 sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

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The town of Monticello has a population of 965 by the census of 1880, and a valuation of \$149,273 by the valuation of 1881. They are almost wholly a farming community. The bridge required to be constructed is on the road and the only road leading to the north part of the county, which has a very great travel. The settlers on State land in that part of the county, and all others traveling in that direction by such conveyance, are obliged to pass over this road. The place of construction is quite difficult and expensive. The necessary length of this bridge is twenty-six rods, over a stream affected greatly by the rise of water, and occupied largely by lumbermen for driving purposes. The banks on either side are abrupt and high. The estimated cost of construction is the sum of \$2500 to \$3000. This town has a large number of roads to keep in repair, and several other smaller bridges, which in their sparsely settled district is a heavy burden to them already. The construction of this bridge is an immediate necessity. The inhabitants of the town, with their other burdens, are not fully able to bear the same, and hence ask this aid.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 24, 1881. }

Reported by Mr. NICKERSON, from Committee on Ways  
and Bridges, and ordered printed under Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*