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Sixty-Second Legislature.

SENATE. No. 71.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars 2 be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the 3 completion and furnishing of the new building of 4 the Maine Industrial School for Girls, at Hallowell, 5 now in process of erection, the same to be exfered by the trustees of said school, and all bills 7 and vouchers for such expenditures shall be subsmitted to the Governor and Council for auditing 9 and approval.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropri-2 ated the sum of four thousand dollars for the use 3 of the Maine Industrial School for Girls, at Hal-4 lowell, to meet the current expenses of the year 5 one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five; and 6 four thousand dollars for the same purpose, for 7 the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-8 six; provided, however, that if the building above 9 mentioned is finished and furnished by the first of 10 February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-11 six, and that the number of girls attending said 12 school shall average not less than seventy for the 13 said year, then the sum of two thousand dollars 14 additional is hereby appropriated to meet the cur-15 rent expenses for the year one thousand eight hun-16 dred and eighty-six, so that the sum appropriated 17 for that year shall be six thousand dollars.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Accompanying Resolve in aid of the Construction of a New Building for Maine Industrial School for Girls, in Hallowell.

This School has now been in operation for ten years, and its success may be considered an established fact. The first School building erected was intended to accommodate thirty inmates; but within the first two years there was a demand for more room, and that demand has been increasingly imperative with each succeeding year; so that instead of thirty the average number has increased to forty-seven, while scores have been unable to gain admittance who sadly needed the discipline and instruction here afforded.

Every year the Board of Managers have appealed to the State for aid in the erection of a new School building, and committees of the Legislature have several times reported favorably, and recommending the desired aid, and at the last session of the Legislature a resolve, as recommended by the committee, passed both branches, but was finally defeated during the closing days of the session, by a disagreement between the Senate and House.

As will be seen by the annual reports of the trustees and managers of the School, the sum of about seven thousand dollars has been raised by private subscription, and the walls of an edifice of granite and brick, of superior capacity and construction of the old building, has been erected and covered in, the bills for which have all been paid, to the exhaustion of available funds. The board of managers now appeal to the State to afford the aid required for finishing, furnishing and equipping this new school building at an early day, to meet the increasing demand pressing upon us for greater accommodations. The sum required, according to the careful estimate of the architect, E. E. Lewis, Esq., will not be less than ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500), and it is confidently believed by the friends of the school that the desired sum will be freely and magnanimously granted by the State.

STATE OF MAINE.

In Senate Chamber, February 12, 1885.

Reported by Mr. HEATH, from Committee on Education, and laid on table to be printed under joint rule, with statement of facts.

C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.