

Sixty-Third Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 164.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Thomas W. Porter.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of State be directed. 2 to pay Thomas W. Porter one hundred and fifty 3 dollars, the same being the amount paid out by him 4 for enlisting, subsistence and transportation of re-5 cruits in the war of the rebellion of eighteen hun-6 dred and sixty-one.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

I certify that Thomas W. Porter of Burlington, Maine, was lieutenant of Company H, Fourteenth Maine Volunteers, on recruiting services for quite a length of time near the close of the war, and expended quite a sum of money for the board and transportation of his recruits and himself.

The lapse of time from the performance of above duties, under due authority, for some years subsequent thereto rendered my duties in aiding him in securing compensation for his onerous expenses and services in that behalf, comparatively unsuccessful.

That there is due Mr. Porter quite a sum of money for expenses paid in the recruiting, transporting and rationing his recruits under due and competent authority, is undeniable. I remember well his application to me at or about the time of cessation of hostilities, for settlement of his accounts, but pressing official duties in my own department of Adjutant General, Acting Quartermaster General, Paymaster General, and Commissary General of Maine, with my last volume of annual official reports of 1866 only completed at date of my resignation, March 31, 1867, made it impossible for me to render to Mr. Porter the assistance in justice as well as legally due him.

Lieutenant Porter was and is a gentleman of truth and veracity, duly entitled to credit.

JOHN L. HODSDON,

Late Adjutant General, &c., &c., &c., of Maine.

BANGOR, February 14, 1887.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 23, 1887.

Reported from Committee on Claims by Mr. SAWYER of Lincoln; ordered printed under joint rule.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.