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Sixty-Fourth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 28.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Bridge in Macwahoc
Plantation.

Resolved, That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of five hundred dollars in aid of repairing the bridge across Molunkus stream, in Macwahoc Plantation, Aroostook county; the same to be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of said county.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The bridge across Molunkus river in Macwahoc plantation for which an appropriation is asked, is situated on the old Military road leading from Bangor to Houlton, ten miles from Mattawamkeag, and seven miles from Kingman, points furnishing markets, on the E. & N. A. R. R., to quite an extensive farming community back of this bridge, and there is a large public travel over said bridge on the Military road. The bridge was built by the State, and has been repaired at its expense.

It is a covered structure of one clear span of one hundred and fourteen feet, resting on stone abutments twelve feet high, and has had but slight repairs since it was built, some sixteen years ago. The repairs now required are the taking down and rebuilding of the abutments, which have become displaced by the ice, raising them two feet higher than they now are, so as to admit of the free passage of ice and logs at high water; new stringers at the end of the bridge to replace those now decayed, and projections built on the roof over the ends to protect the timbers from the rain and consequent decay, and a new planking or floor to the bridge.

Macwahoc plantation, in which said bridge is situated, is a small plantation organized for election purposes, with a population of about two hundred and a valuation of about \$29,000.

They have some miles of roads and several other bridges to keep in repair, schools to maintain and current town expenses to pay, for which purposes they raise \$5,75 each year. They are in nowise able to bear the expense of the repairs of this bridge, and as it is State property they have never been charged with its maintenance.

A. J. BERRY,

for the petitioners.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 24, 1889. }

Reported from Committee on Ways and Bridges by Mr. BERRY of
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NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*