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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 157.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Allagash Plantation.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of one thousand dollars in aid of building a bridge across Negro brook and making a road in said plantation. Said appropriation shall be expended under the direction of an agent appointed by the governor and council.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The original settlement in what is now Allagash Plantation, was made more than fifty years ago, the early settlers being all Americans. The present inhabitants are nearly all descendants of those early settlers. During all these years their only highway to other settlements has been the St. John river. Fifteen miles of this highway they have had to traverse in canoes to reach a travelled road, a store or a post office. During the spring and fall sometimes for weeks this highway is closed by running ice. They need the road, in aid of the building of which this resolve appropriates money, that they may have mail and post office accommodations as well as for other purposes. They are unable to build it alone. With this aid furnished them, they will be able to do so by their own labor and at their own expense. This road, with the mail and post office facilities which would result from it, would also accommodate nearly three hundred people settled along the river above Allagash Plantation, and further help to open up for settlement a considerable section of fertile country.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 26, 1891.

Reported by Mr. ROSS of Cumberland, from Committee on Ways and
Bridges, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*