# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 268.

### STATE OF MAINE.

#### RESOLVE in favor of the Erskine School.

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred dollars

- 2 be and hereby is appropriated annually, for the
- 3 term of ten years, to the Erskine School, an insti-
- 4 tution of learning situated in the town of China,
- 5 Kennebec county. This appropriation is made
- 6 upon the express condition that the trustees of said
- 7 institution shall enlarge the buildings to a capacity
- 8 of twenty-five additional scholars, within one year
- 9 from the passage of this resolve, and shall continue
- 10 to keep in operation a school equal in rank and
- 11 grade to the average standard of a high school.

12 And provided further, that the governor, council 13 and superintendent of common schools, shall have 14 a right at all times to visit said school, when the 15 same shall be in session; and if said school at any 16 time, fails to fulfil the conditions contained in this 17 resolve, the governor and council, at their dis-18 cretion, may withhold the appropriation herein 19 granted.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine:

Respectfully represent the undersigned, that the Erskine School, endowed by the late Mary T. Erskine, late of China, Maine, deceased, located at Chadwick's Corner in the town of China, Maine, has now accommodations for sixty scholars, has an endowment fund from the late Mary T. Erskine from which there is a yearly annuity realized of some \$300. is situated in the center of an intelligent, agricultural community, some fifteen miles distant from any other academy or seminary. That applicants for admission now exceed its accommodations by some twenty-five to thirty. That the object of the institution is the educating and completing of the education of youth in the higher English Branches. That being a public institution and the buildings needing enlargement to meet the public accommodation, which of necessity, if made, will require larger expenditures than the income, and to the end that the public needs and wants may be met, and that it may have the necessary means to satisfy the public want. fore petition the undersigned that the State pass an enabling act granting to this institution a three hundred dollar annuity, for the term of ten years. And, as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

JOHN K. ERSKINE,

Jan. 27, 1891.

Trustee of Erskine School.

### STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 14, 1891.

Reported by Mr. LITTLEFIELD of Penobscot, from Committee on Education, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.