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#### SENATE.

No. 192.

### STATE OF MAINE.

#### **RESOLVE**, in favor of Washington Academy.

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred dollars be 2 hereby appropriated annually for the term of ten years to 3 Washington Academy, an institution of learning located 4 in the town of East Machias in the county of Washington. 5 Provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon 6 the express condition that the trustees of said institution 7 shall maintain and keep in operation a school, equal in 8 rank and grade of teaching with a first-class academy, 9 of not less than three terms of ten weeks each during 10 each year, and provided further that the governor and 11 council and superintendent of common schools shall have 12 a right at all times to visit said school when the same 13 shall be in operation, and if in the opinion of the governor 14 and council said institution shall at any time hereafter fail

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15 to fulfil the conditions of this resolve they may in their16 discretion withold the appropriation herein granted.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Washington Academy located in East Machias, Washington county, is one of the oldest academies in the State, and has always preserved its character as an old-fashioned high grade academy.

It is centrally situated and is the only academy in that county. It is patronized by all the surrounding towns and is recognized as the best fitting school for college in the eastern part of the State. It is officially a fitting school for Bowdoin College. It furnishes a good course for those wishing to teach, and as there is no Normal School in that county, has always among its students those preparing themselves for that profession. It maintains three terms of thirteen weeks each.

We find together with help received from the town in which it is located, furnishes barely enough to pay its running expenses. The tuition is made very small as an incentive to poor boys and girls who live in that vicinity, and who are desirous of procuring a higher education than that furnished in our common and high schools. With the assistance now asked it hopes to largely increase its efficiency and be of still more help to those feeling the need and desire but not having the means to continue their studies beyond the limits usually prescribed for town schools.

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IN SENATE, March 12, 1891.

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Eep sted by Mr. GILES, from Committee on Education, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.