# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 293.

## STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Miss Fannie L Jenkins of Newport.

Resolved, That Miss Fannie L. Jenkins of Newport be

- 2 granted a State pension of eight dollars per month. Said
- 3 pension to commence on January 1, 1893, and continue
- 4 during the pleasure of the legislature.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Miss Fannie L. Jenkins is the daughter of Martin W. Jenkins, who was born in, and was, until his death, a resident of the State of Maine, and who enlisted on September 30th, 1860, in Company M, 1st U. S. Artillery; was promoted to lieutenant and transferred to the 2d Regiment U. S. Colored Troops on February 9th, 1865, and was discharged March 22d, 1866, having given nearly six years of service to his country; and never having received one cent in bounty or pension from any source. Said soldier died by accident in 1885, leaving his family very poor.

This daughter Fannie, has been a helpless invalid for several years from chronic articular rheumatism, her bones being so dislocated that she cannot well feed herself, and is utterly unable to perform any productive labor. She is now thirty-three years of age and is, as she has been for a number of years wholly dependent on the charity of her friends for her support. These friends are poor and unable to bear the tax thus imposed upon them, and the small State pension asked for is the only thing that can keep this poor and deserving woman from becoming a public charge in the near future, as her case does not come under any general pension law, either National or State.

Dr. Byron Porter of Newport, in an affidavit read to the pension committee, said, that during twenty years experience as a U. S. Examining Surgeon he had never known a more deserving case. A petition was also presented, signed by seventy-five of the leading citizens of the town, respectfully asking that this pension be granted.

J. W. WEBSTER.

### STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 9, 1893.

Reported by Mr. SAWYER of Portland, from Committee on Pensions, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.