

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 19.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Mrs. Dorothy Stevens.

Resolved, That there be paid out of the State treasury
2 to Mrs. Dorothy Stevens of Lee, a pension of ten dollars
3 per month beginning January first, eighteen hundred and
4 ninety-five.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Mrs. Stevens is now living in Lee, is eighty-eight years old and is supported by the town. Many years ago her daughter, Naomi, married one David B. Whitney. A son, Charles B. Whitney, was born to them. Mrs. Whitney did not recover but before her death she gave the infant to her mother. Mr. Whitney never contributed to the support of the child but left Lee soon after its birth and is probably dead as nothing has been heard from him for many years. Mrs. Stevens reared and cared for the child as her own and when he was about twenty years old he entered the army in Co. H, 19th Maine Infantry, was wounded at the battle of North Anna and died of his wound at Brattleboro, Vt., June 17, 1864. At the time of his enlistment he was contributing to the support of his grandmother, Mrs. Stevens, the same as if she had been his own mother as she was the only mother he ever knew. He gave her his advance bounty for her own use, and after his death she collected of the United States Government whatever bounty and wages was then due him. Now in her old age and feeble health she needs and deserves assistance from the State. Her claim for a pension is just as strong as that of any dependent mother only from the fact that she is the grandmother instead of the mother of the soldier.

MARY E. TILTON.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 23, 1895. }

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*