

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 169.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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RESOLVE in favor of Cherryfield Academy.

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*Resolved,* That the sum of eight hundred dollars be, and is  
2 hereby appropriated annually for the term of two years, to  
3 aid Cherryfield Academy, provided, however, that this  
4 appropriation is made upon the express condition that the  
5 trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in opera-  
6 tion for at least twenty-four weeks per year a school equal  
7 in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy; and  
8 that if in the opinion of the Governor and Council said  
9 institution shall fail to fulfill this condition they may, in their  
10 discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

The undersigned, the executive committee of the trustees of Cherryfield Academy in Cherryfield, Maine, respectfully petition that said academy be granted the sum of one thousand dollars a year for a term of eight years, for all the reasons in general which influenced former legislatures to grant like sums to similar academies, and the following reasons, in particular, which give this academy a special claim on your favorable consideration, viz.:

First.—Its situation being 60 miles east from Castine Normal School and 32 miles west from Washington Academy at East Machias, does not interfere with those schools already receiving State aid, and convenes, within a radius of 12 miles, 15,000 people in nine towns, viz.: Gouldsboro, Steuben, Milbridge, Deblois, Beddington, Harrington, Addison, Columbia and Columbia Falls.

Second.—The advantages of this academy are appreciated by the above towns, as seven of them have pupils in it.

Third.—The grade of the school is high. Pupils are prepared for all Maine colleges, and graduates are admitted to the Maine State College on certificate of the principal.

Fourth.—The academy is poor, its property consisting of the building given by the Union school district of Cherryfield in 1850. Its fund is \$4,000, realized from sale of the land originally granted to it in 1829, which income has barely sufficed to pay insurance and keep the building in repair. The aid granted by the State for the last two years, and the tuition received from scholars have enabled the trustees to maintain one of the best schools in the State. We, therefore, pray that this aid be increased to one thousand dollars a year, and be granted for a

term of years, as to other academies, in order that the benefits of Cherryfield Academy be increased and insured to the people of this section until we can place it on a firm and independent basis.

D. W. CAMPBELL,

C. J. MILLIKEN,

M. H. WILLEY,

Executive Committee of Trustees of Cherryfield Academy.

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

February 26, 1897.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*