

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 53.

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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  
2 hereby is appropriated, annually, for the term of two years,  
3 to 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 insti-  
9 tution shall fail to fulfill this condition they may, in their  
10 discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.



## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Cherryfield Academy was incorporated February 19, 1829. Until 1850 the school lead a sort of itinerant life, being held first in one place and then in another.

In 1850 the Union school district was formed in order to provide the academy with a suitable home and the present building was erected and deeded to the trustees.

In 1873, in order that the town might take advantage of the Free High school act, the academy building was leased to the town for a nominal sum and a school was carried on under said act until 1895.

The trustees applied to and received aid from the legislature of 1895, and the school has since been very successful.

The "Vox Academiae" published by the students, the programs of commencement exercises, prize declamations, receptions, etc., will show that the school is abreast of the best academies of the State in its literary, social and athletic life. Its popularity is attested by the increased attendance which is limited only by the size of the room.

The following statistics of the graduates of 1895 to 1898 will furnish the most conclusive evidence of the value of the school to this vicinity:

The class of 1895 graduated 13, of whom 5 are teaching, 2 are in the University of Maine, 1 in Radcliffe College, and 5 are in business positions.

The class of 1896 graduated 12, of whom 2 are teaching, 2 have taught, 2 are in Colby University, 1 in Coburn Classical Institute, and 2 are in business positions.

The class of 1897 graduated 15, of whom 4 are teaching, 2 have taught, 1 is in the University of Maine, 1 in Colby University, 1 in Coburn Classical Institute, 1 in a select school in Boston, and three in business positions.

The class of 1898 graduated 12, of whom 1 is in Philadelphia Medical College, 1 in the normal school at Salem, Mass., 2 are to enter college next year, and 4 are post graduates.

The total number of graduates for the four years was 52, of whom 13 are teaching, 4 have taught, 12 are pursuing higher courses of study, 10 are in business situations, 2 are to enter college next year, and 4 are post graduates.

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.  
Augusta, February 7, 1899.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*