

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 227

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of Ricker Classical Institute.

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars be, and the 2 same hereby is annually appropriated, for the term of two years, 3 to Ricker Classical Institute; an institution of learning located 4 in the town of Houlton, county of Aroostook, providing, that 5 the trustees of said institution, in consideration of the aid thus 6 rendered by the state, shall during said time maintain a first-7 class normal department for the preparation of teachers, for 8 which purpose said trustees shall employ at least one regular 9 normal teacher, who shall have the sole charge and management 10 of said department under the direction of said trustees, and 11 provided further, that the governor and council and superinten-12 dent of school, shall have a right at all times to visit said 13 school, when the same shall be in operation, and if in the 14 opinion of the superintendent of schools, said institution, at any

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15 time hereafter, shall use any part of the money hereby appro16 propriated for any other purpose except to pay for instruction,
17 or shall fail to fulfill the conditions contained in this resolve,
18 the governor and council shall withhold the appropriation herein
19 granted.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

In 1889 the trustees of Ricker Classical Institute established a normal department in connection with this institution and has for ten years been receiving from the state annually the sum of one thousand dollars to assist in defraying the expense of instruction in this department. There is no normal school now established in this state that can accommodate the students of this section. The normal department in this school has done good work for the last ten years, and there are now on the roll in the normal course fiftyfour students.

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House of Representatives, Augusta, March 2, 1899.

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

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W. S. COTTON, Clerk.