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Seventieth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 59

STATE OF MAINE.

To the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

In response to your order of February 12th calling for a statement of the printing done for and paid for by the state in the year 1899, the cause of the existing deficiency, and an estimate of printing for the year 1901, I herewith submit the following report:

Copies.		Pages.	
2,250, Railroad Commissioners' Report	680	\$2,382	26
4,000, Commissioner of Industrial and Labor Statistics	216	665	75
2,250, Bank Examiners' Report	570	1,817	18
4,500, State Assessors' Report.	258	1,294	84
4,000, Superintendent of Schools Report.	240	803	73
2,000, Maine Insane Hospital Report	104	204	76
1,500, State Reform School Report.....	76	147	07
2,400, Governor's Address for House	28	59	17
800, Governor's Address for Senate	28	32	55
5,000, Governor's Address for Executive Department.....	28	118	79
2,000, Sea and Shore Fisheries Report	40	113	73
6,600, Agricultural Bulletin No. 8, (series of 1898)	40	117	92
8,000, Agricultural Bulletin No. 9, (series of 1898).....	96	297	85
Miscellaneous small printing for State departments as per samples and vouchers audited by State Auditor..		2,938	00

Copies.	Pages.	
1,500, Register of Executive Department	36	\$97 11
800, Register of the Senate	26	97 89
2,500, Register of the House	26	121 19
3,000, State Treasurer's Report	96	386 32
1,200, School for Deaf	24	45 77
2,000, State Prison Report	72	158 02
5,000, Inland Fish and Game Report	40	320 71
1,500, Industrial School Report	36	73 79
125, List of Magistrates	16	28 80
300, List of Corporations	24	20 13
Miscellaneous small printing for State departments as per numbered vouchers audited by State Auditor		1,621 56
3,000, Dingley Memorial	40	162 68
8,500, Agricultural Bulletin No 1 (series of '99)	48	142 86
150, Public Laws	162	231 97
2,500, Preliminary Report Insurance Commissioner	32	116 25
2,000, Report of Commissioners on Contagious Diseases	98	149 05
500, Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum	34	65 33
550, State Tax Act for State Treasurer	68	252 77
2,000, Short Catalogue University of Maine	52	167 58
1,000, Report of State Librarian	118	204 68
3,000, Fish and Game Report for Legislature	40	217 20
10,000, Revision Fish and Game Laws	60	230 98
Engrossing 1,206 pages of Acts		2,823 48
Engrossing 160 pages of Resolves		338 04
500, House Documents	1,828	2,317 21
500, Senate Documents	616	649 94
500, File of Proceedings	480	849 38
500, House Calendars		200 11
500, Senate Calendars		144 22
Blanks, etc., for Department of Vital Statistics		187 00
2,000, Acts and Resolves of 1899	668	1,612 70
1,000, Farmington Normal School Catalogue	92	166 26
1,000, Castine Normal School Catalogue	52	98 55
1,000, Gorham Normal School Catalogue	24	46 87
2,500, University of Maine Catalogue	130	328 52
1,000, Attorney-General's Report	112	313 07
1,900, Insurance Commissioner's Report	652	1,675 45
Miscellaneous small printing for State Departments as per samples and vouchers audited by State Auditor		4,952 12
1,500, Annual Report University of Maine, Part I	184	332 44
500, Inland Fisheries and Game Report	40	67 18
7,800, Agricultural Bulletin, No. 2	40	132 76
7,700, Agricultural Bulletin, No. 3	32	105 18
7,700, Agricultural Bulletin, No. 4	32	93 86
100, Index to Senate Documents	8	9 38
100, Index to House Documents	16	18 12
Ballots for special election, Second District		487 19
500, Report Madawaska Training School	24	30 90
10,000, Board of Agriculture	636	3,676 64
7,700, Agricultural Bulletin, No. 5	32	100 23
7,750, Agricultural Bulletin, No. 6	36	118 40
2,000, Annual Report University of Maine, Part 2	242	776 96
2,000, Annual Report Vital Statistics	236	899 77
500, Maine State Pomological Report	90	94 81
Miscellaneous small printing for State Departments as per samples and vouchers audited by State Auditor ..		2,874 27

Copies.	Pages.	
Blanks, etc., for Department of Vital Statistics		\$50 35
Blanks, etc., for Board of Health		100 50
Blanks, etc., for Vital Statistics.....		459 17
Partial expense of Sanitary Inspector for Board of Health		103 07
Ballots for special election, First District		452 32
2,500, State Assessors' Report	272	1,199 11
1,000, House Journal	668	750 19
400, Senate Journal	600	567 61
500, Militia Laws	48	52 90
1,000, Industrial School Report	32	49 14
1,500, Directory of Insurance Companies	44	93 16
7,800, Agricultural Bulletin No. 7	32	103 76
7,850, Agricultural Bulletin No. 8	24	84 42
7,850, Agricultural Bulletin No. 9	32	103 47
2,000, Short Catalogue, University of Maine	42	174 45
		\$46,770 77

A statement of the cause of the present printing deficiency must start with the fact that within a comparatively few years some ten state departments and commissions have been created by the legislature in addition to a number of new duties imposed upon the old ones by statute law. As a result of this and the steady growth in the legislative printing, the deficiency in the printing appropriation for 1897, for ten months of 1898 and for a portion of 1896 which came over into 1897, amounted to \$9,140.00. The present deficiency which covers the months of November and December, 1898, the year 1899 and the work completed in 1900 is \$6,386.26 larger. About \$3,000 of this is printing which has usually been carried into the new year, but which was completed and returned by the auditor on December 30th in season to be included in the bill of the past year. The causes for the balance are as follows:

- 1st. The growth of business in the departments.
- 2d. Extra printing occasioned by the war with Spain, and the subsequent reorganization of the militia.
- 3rd. Extra reports and memorials ordered by the legislature.
- 4th. The marked advance in the price of paper stock, beginning in the fall of 1899.

Any estimate on printing for the year 1901 must necessarily be based upon the figures for 1899. A considerable portion of the work of any year is determined by the special conditions obtaining at the time, some of which may never occur again. There is no way to determine in advance the printing of a legislative session. The reports of the state departments vary constantly from year to year, both in their scope and character, and

the hundreds of small items of miscellaneous printing used in their daily work are constantly changing. A report which, in one year, consisted of plain composition, might in the next run largely to rule and figure work with a corresponding increase of cost per page. There has been a growing tendency both in our own and other states, in deference to the popular demand and on account of its greater convenience in reference, to present official information in tabular form.

From the foregoing facts it will be seen how impossible it is to make any definite estimate in detail for the coming year. If no new departments of state are created, and no extra additions of reports are ordered at the present session, I should estimate that the printing for 1901 will cost about \$45,000 and for 1902 about \$35,000.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. BURLEIGH.

State Printer.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 19, 1901.

On motion by Mr. VIRGIN of Cumberland, laid on table to be printed.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*