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SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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No. 190

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE to amend chapter one hundred ninety-four of the Resolves of eighteen hundred ninety-three, relating to industrial exhibits.

Resolved, That chapter one hundred ninety-four of the 2 Resolves of eighteen hundred ninety-three be and is hereby 3 amended by inserting in the first line the words 'five hundred' 4 between the word "thousand" and the word "dollars," so that 5 said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

'Resolved, That the sum of one thousand five hundred dol-7 lars be and hereby is appropriated to the Maine State Agri-8 cultural Society in addition to the sum heretofore appropri-9 ated for the purpose of encouraging the exhibition of the 10 industrial products of Maine, as well as increasing the pre-

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11 miums in stock and agricultural classes, and also to provide
12 further for pomological exhibits, apples, pears, plums, grapes
13 and canned goods; and said society may draw said appropri14 ation from the State treasury upon its voucher that such
15 amount has been paid out each year for said purposes.'

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Maine State Agricultural Society, after years of careful and conservative work by its trustees, finds itself embarrassed by a debt of about \$21,000. Feeling that the entry fee is about as high as the exhibitors can reasonably be expected to pay, and the premiums as low as it will do to place them and still be an inducement for the agricultural interests to exhibit, we can conceive of no way to relieve the situation except through the legislature, which we feel should hold out a reasonable inducement to the agricultural interests of the State.

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House of Representatives, Augusta, February 17, 1905.

Reported by Mr. PURINTON from Committee on Agriculture and ordered printed under joint rules.

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E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.