

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 72

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital,
Bangor.

Resolved, That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum
2 of five thousand dollars to be paid to the Eastern Maine
3 General Hospital for the use of said institution for the year
4 1905, and five thousand dollars for the use of the said insti-
5 tution for the year 1906.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Eastern Maine General Hospital was established June 7, 1892, and incorporated under the Revised Statutes of Maine, then chapter 55, now chapter 57, on December 16, 1892, "for the charitable and benevolent purposes of establishing and maintaining a hospital for the treatment of medical and surgical cases."

The hospital is located on State street in the city of Bangor, about two miles from the center of the city.

The officers of the corporation consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and a board of trustees of said officials and nine others elected by the corporation at its annual meeting, three being elected annually to serve three years, an auditor of the treasurer's accounts, board of directors, superintendent and staff.

President of the corporation, Charles Hamlin; vice-president, Edward Stetson; secretary, Charles H. Bartlett, Bangor, Maine; treasurer, Charles D. Crosby, Bangor, Maine; trustees, the above officers, ex officio, and Prescott H. Vose, Fred W. Ayer, Arthur Chapin; term expires in 1905. Hugh R. Chaplin, Hiram H. Fogg, Edward McSweeney; term expires in 1906. Isaiah K. Stetson, Benjamin B. Thatcher, John L. Crosby; term expires in 1907.

The following facts show the growth in size and usefulness of this institution: First year ending June 7, 1893—running expenses, \$5,818.79; number of patients admitted, 150. Last year ending June 7, 1904—running expenses, \$25,028.89; number of patients admitted, 936.

Of the whole number of patients admitted to the hospital during the first year of its existence, Bangor furnished 34%; other places in Penobscot county, 34%; places outside Penobscot county, 32%.

Taking the 936 patients admitted to the hospital during the last year, ending June 7, 1904, added to those remaining in the hospital at the end of the prior year, 38, gives a total of 974. Of these 974 patients Bangor furnished about 20%; other places in Penobscot county, 32%; places outside Penobscot county, 48%.

These figures show the increasing importance and benefit of this institution to the people of Eastern Maine in particular.

Summary of cost of plant, including furniture, equipment and permanent repairs, from and including 1893 to June 7, 1904.

Original lot and buildings donated to the corporation by private subscribers.....	\$8,000 00
The five acre lot purchased by the corporation in 1903 and now forming part of the corporation grounds	4,000 00
New buildings erected.....	53,467 66
Furniture, equipment and general supplies (not including groceries, provisions and medical or surgical supplies)	9,809 98
Improvements and permanent repairs.....	5,548 22
Improvements made by the Women's Hospital Aid Society, including steam heating plant, laundry, etc	5,909 78
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Making a total outlay up to June 7, 1904 of.....	\$86,735 64

Of this sum the State has paid twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), viz:

Seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500) in 1899; seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500) in 1900; five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in 1901, and five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in 1904.

There is a constant pressure of patients upon the resources of the institution and a new ward building to increase the capacity of the institution has become almost a necessity, but even a more pressing necessity is that for a children's ward building so that children patients may be removed from the other hospital patients and better taken care of separately and with beneficial results to the other patients.

The corporation asks the State for its usual appropriation and the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in addition for building purposes, in accordance with the annexed resolves.

CHARLES H. BARTLETT,

Secretary Eastern Maine General Hospital.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 9, 1905.

Reported by Mr. PIKE from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL, M. DUNBAR, *Secretary*.