

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

214

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE, in favor of Martha Burrill of Limington.

Resolved: That there be paid out of the Treasury of the
2 State to Martha Burrill of Limington, a pension of eight
3 dollars a month, commencing the first day of January, 1909,
4 and to continue during the pleasure of the Legislature.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Martha Burrill of Limington, who will be eighty-seven years of age in March next, is the widow of Alden Burrill. Her husband and son, Alden S. Burrill, both enlisted at the same time early in the war in the twenty-second Massachusetts Sharpshooters; another son, Edward Burrill, enlisted a little later in a Massachusetts Infantry regiment; both of these sons died in the service and their bodies were brought home to Lynn, Massachusetts, where the family lived, and were buried there. The husband, Alden Burrill, died soon after his return from the war. She now draws a pension from the United States government of twelve dollars per month as the dependent mother of Alden S. Burrill. After her husband's death she returned to Cornish, Maine, their former home; later she moved to the town of Limington, where she now lives. When she returned to Maine she had a younger son who has now grown up and married and has a wife and eight children. He is a poor man and is not able to support his mother who lives with him, without assistance. She is now very feeble and is only able to sit up a very little and stays in bed nearly all the time, requiring a great deal of care and attention. It takes about all of her United States pension for medical attendance and medicines, and it would seem as though this mother in her old age who gave a husband and two sons in the country's service should receive such assistance from the State as will render her comfortable in her old age and in feeble condition.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, Feb. 17, 1909.

Reported by Mr. MILLER from Committee on Pensions and
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*