

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 503

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE, in favor of the town of Sebec.

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand seven hundred
2 and fifty dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the year
3 nineteen hundred and nine to aid in the construction of a
4 steel bridge across the Sebec river in the town of Sebec, in
5 the county of Piscataquis:

Provided, an equal amount be furnished and expended by
7 said town of Sebec for the same purpose.

Said bridge shall be erected on plans approved by the State
9 commissioner of highways and the selectmen of the town:
10 it shall be built of steel or iron, not less than eighteen feet
11 wide, set on substantial abutments and piers of masonry.

Provided, also that said bridge shall be built on the basis of
13 a cost of seven thousand five hundred dollars and that the

14 amount paid by the State under this resolve shall not exceed
15 one-half of the cost.

Said amount shall be paid from the State treasury upon
17 certificate of the State commissioner of highways to the State
18 auditor, and any part of said amount not expended as pro-
19 vided above shall revert to the State treasury.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The town of Sebec is in great need of a steel bridge to take place of the old wooden one now in use across the Sebec river in Sebec village—foot of Sebec lake. The old bridge is not safe for public use. The two abutments are in bad condition and are of common field stone. This old bridge has three piers under it made of logs cobbled up and filled with rocks. We think when the bridge is taken off the piers they will fall down. The bridge is on the State road and on the main thoroughfare between Brownville Village and Dover and Foxcroft. Length of bridge 182 feet. Sebec is a farming town, no manufacturing except one saw mill. We propose to take down the old abutments and replace with two of granite. Also will discard the three old piers and build one only which shall be of granite. Estimated cost of such as we need will be \$7500.00. If the State will appropriate one-half Sebec will do the same. We have more than twenty bridges besides this one, some of which will need to be rebuilt this season. Our valuation, year 1908, \$194,305.00. Tax rate, .023. Annual appropriation for highways and bridges, \$1500, besides State road appropriation.

C. J. CHASE,

Chairman Selectmen.

Sebec, Feb. 15, 1909.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Augusta, March 6, 1909.

Reported by Mr. ROBBINS from Committee on Ways and
Bridges and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*