

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 319

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINE.

AN ACT to provide for the preservation of the records and history of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Maine.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. That there shall be set apart a suitable place 2 or places in the State House whenever an enlargement may 3 permit of the same being done, which place or places shall 4 be under the charge of the Adjutant General of the State 5 and his successors in office, subject to such orders of the 6 Governor and Commander-in-Chief as may be made from 7 time to time under the militia law of Maine; and said place 8 or places shall be used by the Adjutant General of the State 9 for the purpose of storing the supplies and property of the

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10 department, relics and mementoes of the war, arranging and 11 preserving the history of individuals who served in the army, 12 navy or marine corps of the United States during the war 13 of the rebellion, who belonged to organizations of this State; 14 or citizens of this State who served in the regular army, 15 navy, or marine corps of the United States, which said 16 Grand Army of the Republic may collect and desire to pre-17 serve as a part of the history of this State, and such records 18 shall be accessible at all times, under suitable rules and reg-19 ulations, to members of the Grand Army of the Republic 20 and others engaged in the pursuit of historical information.

Sect. 2. The books of record, papers, relics, mementoes 2 and other effects of whatever nature, belonging to the said 3 Department of Maine of the Grand Army of the Republic, 4 shall, whenever said department ceases to exist as a depart-5 mental organization, become the property of the State of 6 Maine.

Until the State shall have provided a building of suitable 8 dimensions for providing the place or places contemplated 9 by this act, such records, papers and property of the Grand 10 Army of the Republic of the Department of Maine, shall 11 be stored in some place in the present State House most 12 convenient for that purpose, under the charge of the Adju-13 tant General, whenever they may be delivered to him by 14 the Department Commander of this State, of the Grand 15 Army of the Republic.

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IN SENATE,

March 3, 1909.

Reported by Mr. SHAW from Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON, Secretary.