

SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 203

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C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of Lettie Whittier, of Mount Vernon.

Resolved: That there be paid to Lettie Whittier, widow 2 of Howard Whittier, late of Mount Vernon, in the Coun-3 ty of Kennebec and State of Maine, the sum of six dollars 4 per month, payable quarterly, from the fund appropriated 5 for military pensions, and to begin January 1st, 1911, in 6 addition to the amount already being paid to her, as pro-7 vided by a resolve passed by the Legislature of 1907.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Lettie Whittier is the widow of Howard Whittier, late of Mount Vernon, in the County of Kennebec and State of Maine.

Under a special act of 1901 Howard Whittier was granted a State pension of six dollars per month. He died in December, 1905, at the age of seventy-seven years.

Lettie Whittier, had, by taking care of an old lady during her life, and taking in different kinds of work, laid by something for her old age, but owing to the failing health of her husband and a lingering sickness, her husband having died with consumption, he being sick and unable to work for some eight years previous to his death, all of her financial means were exhausted and she was obliged to spend her last dollar for medical aid and medicines for his proper care during his last days. Mrs. Whittier is now seventy years of age; the hardships through which she passed, the sacrifices which she made and the work which she was obliged to do in providing for her husband as above stated, have seriously affected her health. She has no relatives to aid her and is living alone in the town of Mount Vernon. She now is very much broken in health, has a cancerous affection of the right ankle and her condition is such as to warrant the pension asked for in this resolve.