

SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 450

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STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of the Hospital of the Daughters of Wisdom of St. Agatha, in the County of Aroostook.

Resolved: That there be and hereby is appropriated the 2 sum of five hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred 3 eleven and the sum of five hundred dollars for the year nine-4 teen hundred twelve, to be paid the Hospital of the Daugh-5 ters of Wisdom of St. Agatha, in the county of Aroostook 6 for the maintenance of said institution.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Hospital of the Daughters of Wisdom of St. Agatha is situated in the northern part of Maine and the only one for several miles around. It was started and partly finished in nineteen hundred six by the Daughters of Wisdom, and received an appropriation from the state in nineteen hundred nine of two thousand dollars which has helped much the construction of the building. There was also five hundred dollars appropriated for the year nineteen hundred nine and five hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred ten for the maintenance of said istitution.

While these sums greatly helped the institution much remains to be done to have the Hospital completed in good running order and the poor of this region helped, when sick.

The number of patients paying full board at \$1.00, .\$75 or \$50 per day does not, or at least has not to the present time, covered any considerable portion of the expenses.

Besides nurses have to be paid and were it not for the cheap living country life affords and especially the Sisters free work and management, the Hospital would have certainly been closed.

For the good of the people, only, the Sisters have struggled to keep it open.

The purposes of this appropriation are to continue as in the last two years to take poor and needy patients who otherwise would not be able to go to any Hospital, thereby losing the advantage of the care of trained nurses and physicians, also the laying of hard wood floors and general maintenance.