

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 747

House of Representatives, March 24, 1911.

*Bill substituted for report of committee and ordered printed
under joint rules.*

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of C. M. Wescott of Patten, Constable
of said town.

Resolved, That the sum of twenty dollars and seventy-four
2 cents be and hereby is appropriated to be paid to C. M.
3 Wescott of Patten, Maine, constable, for his services and
4 fees in serving warrant and precepts in matter of coroner's
5 inquest over dead body of Joseph Cyr.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

On November 29th, 1909, Coroner Jas. L. Martin of Milo, Piscataquis county, was notified that the dead body of a man had been found in an unorganized township in the northern part of that county, and under circumstances indicating foul play. Coroner Martin at once notified Medical Examiner Ford of Milo, who in turn notified Dr. W. R. L. Hathaway of Milo to accompany him as assistant medical examiner, and the three proceeded to Patten, Penobscot county, by train and from thence by team to the place where the body was found; investigation was had and the identity of the deceased established as being Joseph Cyr, with no residence in this State. The remains were then removed to the town of Patten, Penobscot county, a warrant issued by Coroner Martin, and a coroner's jury impanelled; an autopsy was then held over the remains and developing the fact that deceased met death by a gunshot wound.

The inquest was then adjourned to December third, 1909, and for the purpose of permitting further investigation of the facts surrounding the death. On December third, Drs. Ford and Hathaway were again summoned to appear before the coroner's jury at Patten and give further evidence touching the same. Coroner Martin employed a stenographer as authorized under the law, and the parties now all of them seek payment for services rendered, and which has been denied them to date.