

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 127

In Senate Feb. 23, 1911.

Reported by Mr. Hill from Committee on Agriculture and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. C. HANSON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, to accept the James J. H. Gregory gift, to be known as the Carleton Fund, in memory of Marcus M. Carleton, for the promotion of scientific orcharding in Maine.

Resolved, Whereas, on November 1, 1909, James J. H. 2 Gregory, late of Marblehead, Massachusetts, gave to the 3 State of Maine, an interest bearing, first mortgage bond for 4 one thousand dollars, to perpetuate the memory of his col- 5 lege friend, Marcus Manard Carleton, the interest whereof 6 to be used for the promotion of scientific orcharding in 7 Maine, according to the conditions accompanying the gift;

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the State of Maine and 9 his successor in office be and he hereby is constituted sole 10 trustee to receive and hold said gift, reinvesting same at ma- 11 turity forever, and collecting and depositing in some ap- 12 proved savings bank in Maine, the interest on said gift, un- 13 til the year 1914, in which year, and on every fifth year

14 thereafterward, said treasurer shall pay as directed by the
15 Governor and Council from the interest at that time accrued
16 the sum of two hundred dollars as a premium to the farm-
17 er, in Maine, who shall be named by the committee herein-
18 after provided, as a premium for the most thrifty and well
19 kept orchard of one acre or more of apple trees five years
20 from planting, on his own land, and shall so pay to said com-
21 mittee from the balance of such interest their necessary dis-
22 bursements for travel in inspecting such orchards and award-
23 ing said prize.

And be it further resolved: That a committee consisting
25 of three men, versed in the science and art of orcharding,
26 shall in July 1914 be appointed as follows: Two members
27 to be appointed by the Governor, and one, who shall be the
28 chairman, to be appointed by the Commissioner of Agricul-
29 ture, who shall serve without pay in inspecting the compet-
30 ing orchards and awarding the premium. At the expira-
31 tion of five years from 1914, and at five-year intervals there-
32 after, a like committee shall be appointed to serve as above.
33 Said committee shall visit the orchards entered in the con-
34 test for the Carleton prize and report in the month of Octo-
35 ber to the Governor the name of the winner of said prize
36 and other prizes that may be awarded in this contest, and
37 shall be allowed by the Governor and Council their necessary
38 disbursements as above, provided that, in no year of award
39 shall a greater sum be allowed for disbursements, from this

40 source, than the interest accrued on said gift over and above
41 the sum of two hundred dollars.

And be it further resolved; that before the month of Jan-
43 uary next following the season upon which an award is
44 made, the department of agriculture shall mail to the post-
45 master of each town in the state, to be posted in the post
46 office, a circular giving the conditions of the award, which,
47 in addition to those already prescribed, shall provide that
48 the trees planted may be from any one or more of four
49 standard varieties of trees, the Ben Davis alone excluded.

And be it further resolved; that, if in the future, it shall
51 be deemed by the department of agriculture inexpedient to
52 continue offering the premiums, the entire amount of in-
53 terest, as it falls due shall be collected by said treasurer and
54 forthwith paid to the University of Maine to be devoted to
55 the aid of poor and deserving students therein.