

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 160

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*In Senate March 2, 1911.*

*Reported by Mr. Foss from Committee on Appropriations and  
Financial Affairs and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*W. C. HANSON, Secretary.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVE in favor of the Girls' Orphanage of Lewiston.

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*Resolved:* That there be and hereby is appropriated the  
2 sum of two thousand five hundred dollars to be paid to the  
3 Girls' Orphanage of Lewiston for use of said Orphanage  
4 for the year of nineteen hundred and eleven and the fur-  
5 ther sum of two thousand five hundred dollars to be paid  
6 said Orphanage in the year of nineteen hundred and twelve  
7 for use of said orphanage, both of said sums for main-  
8 tenance.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

From its very humble origin in 1878, this institution has grown until today it accommodates 114 orphan girls gathered from 15 cities and towns in the state. These girls are received from the age of 3 to 15 years and are charged, from \$2.50 to \$6.25 per month for board, clothing and instruction. They are instructed in the elementary branches the same as in the lower grades of our public schools in both English and French. Invariably these girls are in command of a dual tongue, a liberal education in itself. They are taught the duties of house keeping, cooking and sewing. At the age of 15 they are placed in suitable homes or occupations where they are expected to be self sustaining, under the supervision of the Sisters as far as possible.

The expenditures for 1910 were \$7613.06, while the sum received for children's board was \$3391.72. Of the 114 orphans, 54 have been kept gratis, and 37 have paid but part board.

The expense of keeping the gratis orphans was \$4050.00 and the part board \$985.00. Every year this item weighs heavily on the institution which has no invested funds.

The orphanage has been filled to its utmost capacity with orphan girls for the past year. The number that has been refused admission owing to lack of accommodation has been over 150—in one day the Directress refused five little girls, from different places.