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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 208

House of Representatives, Feb. 12, 1913.

*Reported by Mr. Gordon from Committee on Claims, and
ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of the Town of Newport.

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars and eighty-one cents
2 be and hereby is appropriated to reimburse the town of
3 Newport on account of error in certificate for state stipend
4 for Free Public Library in said town for the year 1910-1911.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

OFFICE OF SELECTMEN,
ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.
Newport, Maine, January.

At the annual town meeting held in Newport on the first Monday in March, 1910, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars was raised in aid of the Newport Free Public Library, and said sum was paid over to the treasurer of said Free Public Library in payments as follows, viz:—the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars on August 15th, 1910, and the further sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars on January 3rd, 1911; making the full sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, as appropriated and raised by the said town of Newport, paid to the treasurer of said Free Public Library.

When the treasurer of said Library made up her annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1910, she reported the sum of one hundred and forty-one dollars and ninety-two cents expended at that time. In making up the certificate for stipend for Free Public Library for the Governor and Council of the State of Maine, which certificate was duly executed by a majority of the municipal officers of the said town of Newport on May 1st, 1911, the figures as furnished by the treasurer of said Library, as above set forth, were set forth in said certificate as the sum appropriated and expended by said town, and claim was therein made for a sum equal to ten per cent. of the said appropriation and expenditure, to be paid by the state; this amount, as exhibited in said certificate, was in error, and in consequence thereof the sum of but fourteen dollars and nineteen cents was paid to said town of Newport by the state for the year ending May 1st, 1911.

The town of Newport claims that the said certificate should have read in the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, as appropriated by said town and which sum had actually been paid over to the Library Treasurer prior to the closing of the books of said town in the month of February, 1911: That the stipend paid by the state for the year ending May 1st, 1911, should have been in the sum of twenty-five dollars, instead of the sum of fourteen dollars and nineteen cents, as paid by the state upon

presentation of the municipal officers' certificate, executed in error, as aforesaid.

Therefore, the said town of Newport, through its municipal officers for the current municipal year, respectfully asks that the difference between said sum of twenty-five dollars, which would have been paid by the state had the said certificate been correctly executed, and the sum of fourteen dollars and nineteen cents, as paid on the certificate that was erroneously issued, should be paid to the said town as the balance due on the 1911 stipend, and that this sum claimed due is ten dollars and eighty-one cents.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. LEACH,
D. W. WHEELER,
*Municipal Officers of the Town of
Newport, Maine.*

State of Maine,
Penobscot, ss.

Subscribed and sworn to by the above named officers,
Before me,

WM. H. MITCHELL,
Justice of the Peace.