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### HOUSE

## NO. 621

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#### STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of Temporary Home for Women and Children, Portland.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the 2 sum of two thousand five hundred dollars to be paid to the 3 Temporary Home for Women and Children, Portland, for 4 the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and two thousand 5 five hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred and four-6 teen, for maintenance.

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#### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Temporary Home for Women and Children, incorporated in April, 1882, was organized to provide temporary shelter and assistance to those, who, but for its existence, might become objects of public charity. It is not an orphan asylum, a lyingin hospital, a reformatory for wayward girls, or an industrial training school, but it is obliged to serve each of these purposes. The inmates come from all parts of the State, mainly from the smaller towns, the number at any one time averaging from forty to fifty. More than half of these are babies and children under four years of age.

The Home is entirely unsectarian, and the women composing its Board of Managers, who look after its affairs to the smallest detail, perform their duties without compensation.

The institution has an endowment of \$23,410. The running expenses are met by the income from this fund, by private subscriptions, mainly from residents of Portland, and by the amounts which the inmates pay when possible, together with an appropriation which the State has annually paid for a number of years.

At the present time, the buildings are in excellent condition and well equipped, but without assistance from the State, the work of the institution cannot be carried on.

Its usefulness in the community has been established, and it is hoped that the appropriation asked for can be allowed.