

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 626

House of Representatives, March 21, 1913.

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

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine,
Belfast.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated the
2 sum of fifteen hundred dollars to be paid to the Children's
3 Aid Society of Maine, Belfast, for the year nineteen hun-
4 dred and thirteen and fifteen hundred dollars for the year
5 nineteen hundred and fourteen, for maintenance.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Children's Aid Society of Maine was incorporated under a special act of the legislature in 1893, as "an association for charitable and benevolent purposes with full power to establish and maintain a home or homes in Maine for friendless, destitute and needy children and for furnishing them with relief and assistance, together with suitable mental and moral training."

In 1895 this society established in Belfast a home for destitute and friendless girls. This is a state institution. Girls from all parts of the State are received and cared for. The State purchased four acres of land, with buildings thereon, at an expense of three thousand dollars (\$3000) and the society purchased thirty-six acres of land adjoining for which it paid one thousand dollars (\$1000).

In 1909 the State made a special appropriation of three thousand dollars (\$3000) for the purpose of remodeling, repairing and enlarging the buildings. These improvements were completed in 1909 at an expense of six thousand sixty-six dollars and fifty-one cents (\$6066.51) showing a deficit of three thousand sixty-six dollars and fifty-one cents (\$3066.51). All of this has since been paid by the society except five hundred dollars (\$500) which is now due.

The society now has six thousand dollars (\$6000) in bonds and the income of three thousand dollars (\$3000) held in perpetual trust.

The home has good accommodations for twenty girls. The average number has been about fifteen. The expense of maintaining the home in 1911 was three thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$3296.68) and in 1912 three thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars and eighty-four cents (\$3213.84). These expenses have been paid by yearly appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) by the State, and the income from bonds and trust fund above mentioned, and by voluntary contributions.