

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 115

In Senate, Jan. 29, 1913.

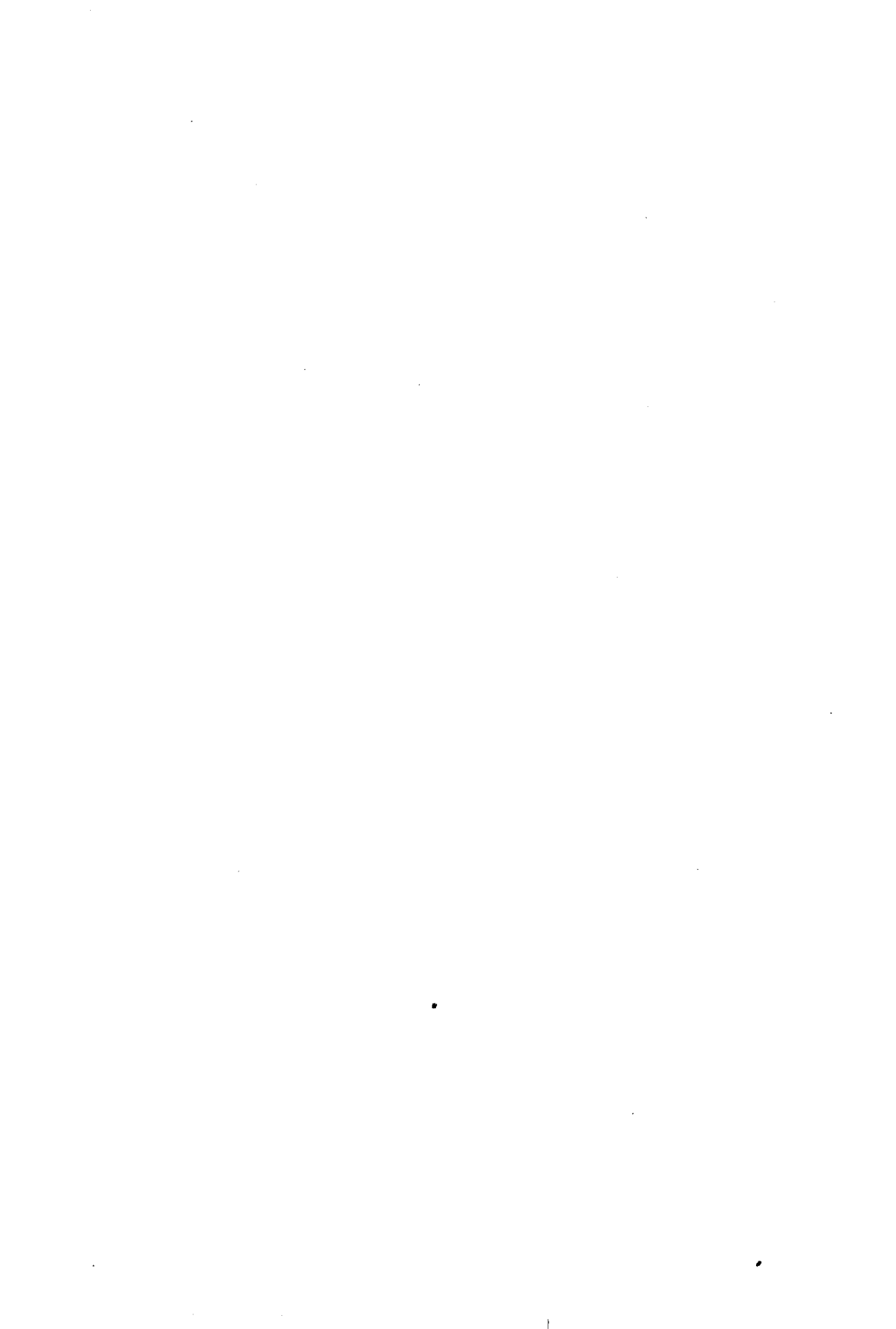
*Reported by Senator Hagerthy from Committee on Pensions,
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of Maella L. Gordon.

Resolved, That there be paid to Maella L. Gordon, di-
2 vorced wife of Charles Horace Gordon, late of Mount Ver-
3 non, county of Kennebec and State of Maine, the sum of
4 ten doilars per month, payable quarterly from the fund
5 appropriated for military pensions, to begin January first,
6 nineteen hundred and thirteen.



STATEMENT OF FACTS IN CONNECTION WITH
MAELLA L. GORDON.

Mrs. Maella L. Gordon married Charles Horace Gordon soon after the close of the Civil War in which Mr. Gordon served from August 16th, 1864, until the close.

They raised a family of eight children, the first being born in 1867, and the last in 1882.

Mr. Gordon for many years received a United States pension, but used very little of it for the support of this large family, leaving Mrs. Gordon to get along the best she could, which for years meant a good deal of suffering, hardship and deprivation.

Finally some ten years ago, on account of gross intoxication, cruel and abusive treatment, Mrs. Gordon was obliged to get a divorce. A few years later Mr. Gordon married again, and on account of this fact, the second wife still living, Mrs. Maella is unable to procure a United States pension.

She has for years been a subject of pity, and depends wholly on some of her relatives for a home. She is sixty-seven years of age, and greatly broken down from the great amount of hardship she has been obliged to endure.