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## SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

## HOUSE NO. 570

House of Representatives, March 6, 1915.

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

FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Clerk Pro Tem.

#### STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum of Bath, Maine.

Resolved, That there be and is hereby appropriated the 2 sum of nine thousand five hundred dollars for the year one 3 thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and the same sum for 4 the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, for the 5 maintenance of said Bath Military and Naval Orphan 6 Asylum.

Also that there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of 8 five hundred dollars for the year one thousand nine hung dred and fifteen and the same sum for the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen for special repairs upon the 11 said Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

At first the Bath Military and Naval Asylum was a local institution with a small income. It was merged into the present asylum and incorporated as a state institution Feb. 23, 1866, for the benefit of orphans, and half orphans, of soldiers and sailors of Maine who served in the Civil War, and eventually to be made a general state orphanage. Its charter was amended Feb. 17, 1893, so as to include the descendants of veterans of the Civil War.

March 26, 1903, section 7 was added to the charter applying to deserted children of veterans, Spanish War orphans, and citizen orphans, when there is room for them.

The average number of inmates has been about seventy.

Jan. 1, 1915, there were fifty-nine inmates, twenty-nine girls and thirty boys, of which number forty-nine are descendants of Civil War veterans and ten are children of the soldiers of the Spanish War. Since Jan. 1, there has been three girls and one boy added, and one girl has gone out, making a present total of sixty-two inmates.

Its income from the small invested fund of the local institution is about \$750.00 each year.

Its appropriations from the State for the years of 1913 and 1914 was \$9,000.00 for each year.

Its income for 1913 was \$9,746.17 and cost of maintenance was \$9,736.97.

Its income for 1914 was \$9,750.00 and cost of maintenance was \$9,758.51.

We are asking for an appropriation of \$9,500.00 for each of the years of 1915 and 1916 because of the higher prices of supplies, which goes to make an increased cost of maintenance.