

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 780

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*House of Representatives, March 16, 1915.*

*Reported by Mr. Cobb from Committee on Ways and Bridges  
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVE in favor of aid in repairing the highway over  
Hardscrabble Hill in the town of Orland.

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*Resolved*, that there be and hereby is appropriated the sum  
2 of seven hundred dollars (\$700) for the purpose of aiding  
3 in the repair of the highway over Hardscrabble Hill, so  
4 called, in the town of Orland, county of Hancock; provided  
5 that there be appropriated by said town of Orland the sum  
6 of three hundred dollars (\$300) for the same purpose; both  
7 sums to be expended under the supervision of the State  
8 Highway Commission; and further provided that this re-  
9 solve shall be void and of no effect unless said town in ac-  
10 cepting this appropriation thereby and in consideration  
11 thereof, shall undertake that all road material, including  
12 clay, gravel, sand and rock, necessary for the improvement

13 contemplated by this resolve shall be furnished without ex-  
14 pense to the State, and that said town shall assume and pay  
15 all damages whatsoever arising from the taking of land or  
16 from the change of grade, drainage or alignment deemed by  
17 the State Highway Commission as necessary for said im-  
18 provement. Said way when so improved shall be thereafter  
19 continually maintained under the direction and control of  
20 said Commission at the joint expense of the State and said  
21 town; the charge against said town for maintenance of said  
22 way shall not exceed fifty percentum of the actual cost of  
23 such maintenance nor an average of thirty dollars per mile  
24 per annum, and the payment by said town of its said share  
25 of said maintenance shall be enforced in the same manner as  
26 provided in sections ten and twenty-five of chapter one hun-  
27 dred thirty of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and  
28 Thirteen. The share of the State in said maintenance shall  
29 be paid out of the fund for administration and maintenance  
30 created by virtue of section thirty-three of said chapter one  
31 hundred and thirty.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Hardscrabble Hill is on the main highway from Bucksport and Orland to the towns in the Penobscot Bay section of Hancock county. The top is an immense ledge, of which a part might be removed possibly, but it is thought a cheaper way would be to build around it for a short distance and join the main road about half way down, which would lower the grade and dispose of the ledge problem.

The northerly approach to the hill which is really the back side of it would also require some work in order to get the necessary grade.

Orland has about 90 miles of road; it already has a high tax rate, and an additional appropriation for the hill would be a burden. Furthermore this road is of more use to other towns than it is to the town of Orland.

This work should be surveyed and the money spent under the direction of the State Highway Department.