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HOUSE

NO. 330

House of Representatives, Feb. 20, 1917.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Emerson of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN

RESOLVE Providing a State Pension for Dorcas M. Watkins, of Lewiston.

Resolved, That the sum of eight dollars per month, be 2 paid to Dorcas M. Watkins, widow of Chas. A. Watkins, 3 a veteran of the Civil War, payable quarterly from the 4 fund appropriated for military pensions, beginning January 5 first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and continuing dur-6 ing the pleasure of the Legislature, and until otherwise 7 ordered.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Dorcas M. Watkins of 60 Park Street, Lewiston, County of Androscoggin, State of Maine, widow of Chas. A. Watkins, who served as a private in Co. F, 25th Maine Regt., Infty. Vols., under Capt. Thomas W. Harris. He was enrolled Sept. 10th, 1862, for nine months' service, was honorably discharged July 11, 1863, expiration of term of service. Said Watkins died Oct. 19th, 1881. The said Dorcas M. Watkins has not married since the death of her husband as stated above. She worked in the mill and faithfully cared for him in his long sickness and gave him a Christian burial without any aid. Her health failed about five years ago and she has not been able to do any work since. She is suffering from an attack of chronic bronchitis and is confined to her small tenement, for which she pays \$10.00 per month, and needs the care of an attendant. She is 73 years old, has exhausted the small accumulation she had saved when able to work. She is a woman of excellent character, a member of the Eastern Star Masons. Her U. S. pension has just recently been advanced to \$20.00 per month. She is owing some bills for coal and groceries, doctor and nursing, which she has been unable to pay. She has never called on the city for aid.

Lewiston, Maine, Jan. 27th, 1917.

Approved by

LOUIS J. BRANN, Mayor. CHAS. P. LEMAIRE, City Clerk. P. J. GAINEY,

President Board of Aldermen. ERNEST SAUNDERS,

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Aldermen of Lewiston.