

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 487

House of Representatives, March 24, 1919.

On motion of Mr. Barnes of Houlton House Amendment "A" to House Document No. 449 and the accompanying statement of facts ordered printed.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AMENDMENT "A" TO HOUSE DOCUMENT NO. 449.

Amend House Document No. 449 by inserting after the
2 words "(1250)" in the seventh line thereof the following:
3 'The above amount shall be paid out of any moneys in the
4 State Treasury not otherwise appropriated.'

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Nicola DiNora on October 11th, 1915, was in the employ of A. Williams, of Revere, Mass., a contractor who was building state highways and bridges in the town of Whiting, Washington County, Maine, and while at work a short distance from the center of the village on the road leading from that town to the town of Edmunds he was killed.

At the time of the accident which caused the death of said Nicola DiNora, workmen for the town of Whiting and said deceased were hoisting granite from the flats to the road by means of a derrick which was supported or held in position by several wire cables. Each cable in turn was made up of many pieces of wire of small calibre. The work of the deceased at that time was to handle the guy of the boom of said derrick. Without the slightest warning one of the wire cables broke and the whole derrick collapsed, DiNora being struck by the boom itself or the block on the end of it and instantly killed. His skull was fractured on the right side and he also sustained fractures of right humerus, scapula and clavicle. Upon examination of the broken cable by the medical examiner of Washington county, he found the small wires of which it was made rusty and brittle. The job, or work on which the deceased was killed, was being constructed by the town of Whiting under the direction and control of the State Highway Commission. The deceased had been sent from the work of A. Williams & Company by the State Highway Civil Engineer to the job of the town of Whiting to remove certain granite blocks which had been left there by a man working for the Highway Commission who misunderstood his orders and instead of leaving the granite on the job of A. Williams & Company dropped it at the place where the town of Whiting crew were working.

Nicola DiNora had been employed before his death for several years on highway construction in Maine, and was receiving at the time of his death \$24 a week in wages, and was sending to his aged father and mother between \$25 and \$30 a month for their **support**.