

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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Senate Document

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S. P. 273

In Senate, Apr. 8, 1927.

Reported by Senator Spear from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Buzzell of Oxford.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN

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RESOLVE, to Celebrate the Two Hundredth Anniversary of  
the Battle of Lovewell's Pond.

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Resolved: That there be, and is hereby appropriated the  
2 sum of five hundred dollars to celebrate the two hundredth  
3 anniversary of the battle of Lovewell's Pond. The sum  
4 to be spent under the direction of the governor and council  
5 in connection with the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary  
6 of the incorporation of Fryeburg. The governor is hereby  
7 authorized and requested to communicate with the governor  
8 of Massachusetts for a joint celebration of this event so  
9 important in the historical annals of both states.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

May 8th, 1925, was the 200th anniversary of the battle of Lovewell's Pond. The historian Parkman thus describes the effect of this battle.

"The Pequawkets were cowed by the rough handling they had met when they plainly expected a victory. Some of them joined their Abenaki kinsman in Canada and remained there, while others returned after the peace to their old haunts by the Saco; but they never again raised the hatchet against the English. Lovewell's Pond, with its sandy beach, its two green islands, and its environment of lonely forests, reverted for a while to its original owners,—the wolf, bear, lynx, and moose. In our day all is changed. Farms and dwellings possess those peaceful shores, and hard by, where, at the bend of the Saco, once stood, in picturesque squalor, the wigwams of the vanished Pequawkets, the village of Fryeburg preserves the name of the brave young chaplain, whose memory is still cherished, in spite of his uncanonical turn for scalping."