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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Senator Mitchell of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

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

RESOLVE, to Reimburse the Town of Shirley for Support of the Family of Angus A. Green.

Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated to 2 be paid to the town of Shirley, the sum of one thousand 3 nine hundred fifty-nine dollars and twenty-five cents, to 4 reimburse said town for money expended for support of 5 the family of Angus A. Green.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Early in the year 1927, Angus A. Green and family fell into distress in the town of Shirley. Mr. Green is a Canadian, and has no pauper settlement in this State. His wife is the daughter of Moses York, who is now living in Aroostook County. At the time of her marriage to Mr. Green, she was too young to have acquired a pauper settlement. If she had any settlement, she derived it from her father, or from her mother if her father was without settlement in the State.

The case is complicated and it would be difficult, if not impossible, to determine the liability for support of this family. If Mr. York, the father of Mrs. Green, has any settlement it would undoubtedly be in the town of Merrill or in the town of Ashland. Merrill is a very small town, and Ashland is in bad financial condition on account of loss of its only industry of importance. It would be a great hardship for either of these towns to be burdened with the support of this family, if a suit should result in the liability being fixed upon either of them.

The town of Shirley is very unfortunate in being obliged to support this family without means of recovering their money from some source. The bills now amount to \$1,959.25, as shown above. The case appears to be one which should have the careful consideration of the legislature, as any one of these towns needs any relief that can properly be given by the State.