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Reported by Mr. Wright from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and laid on Table to be printed under Joint Rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

RESOLVE, Appropriating Money to Restore the Early Records in the Office of the Register of Deeds for York County.

Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the sum of nine hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred and thirty-one and nineteen hundred and thirty-two for repairing and rebinding the early records of the office of Register of Deeds for the County of York, and nine hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred and thirty-two and nineteen hundred and thirty-three for continuance of the same work.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The early records of the County of York date from 1636 and are among the very oldest in the United States. Until the year 1730 York County was the only county in the Province of Maine, and these records are the basic records of all the counties in the State.

The earliest volumes in the Registry of Deeds are in need of restoration and preservation if they are to continue accessible to the public for the purpose of research, and it is for the purpose of restoring these records that this appropriation is sought.

The State of Maine has already restored the early volumes in the office of the Clerk of Courts by legislative appropriation, and this resolve is a continuance of the money granted for this work under the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Resolves of the Maine Legislature approved March 23rd, 1929.