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In Senate, March 14, 1939.

Reported by Senator Graves of Hancock from Committee on Claims and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

RESOLVE, in Favor of Harry F. Ward, of Baldwin.

Harry F. Ward; compensated. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, in favor of Harry F. Ward, of Baldwin, the sum of \$50 as a full and final settlement against the state, for damage to his car by Charles Bishop, an inmate of the State School for Boys in South Portland; said sum to be paid from the general funds of the state.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

On Oct. 20, 1937 Harry F. Ward was the operator of a small garage in Baldwin, his residence being close by. On that day while at home for his noon-day meal, he heard a sound indicating the starting of an automobile. On looking out, he saw his own automobile, a Whippet two door coach, which he left inside the garage, being rapidly backed out into the street. Once in the street, the car was driven rapidly over the road in a northerly direction and out of sight. By the use of telephone, he procured a pursuit to be made which he followed up himself and his car was overtaken at a point in the town of Sebago some 5 or 6 miles from his home. Just as it was to be overhauled, the occupant turned the car into the ditch, causing it to be overturned and completely wrecked. This operator who, strangely enough suffered very slightly from the overturn made a prompt escape across an adjacent lot and when finally overtaken by officers on the following day, he was identified as Charles Bishop, an escaped inmate from the State School for Boys at South Portland, this being the second escape that he had made within a month.