

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# RESOLVES

OF THE

TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT THE SESSION

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE FOURTH DAY OF JANUARY, AND ENDED ON  
THE NINTH DAY OF MARCH, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT  
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO.

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PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF JUNE 28, 1820.

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AUGUSTA:

I. BERRY & CO., PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1832.

**ERROR.**

In the paging of this pamphlet will be found the following error, viz: the page succeeding 372 is marked 383, instead of 373—making an error of ten pages. The erroneous paging is thus continued through the work.

**I. BERRY:**

ture; and the Governor, with advice of Council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the same.

The Joint Standing Committee on State Roads, to whom was referred an order inquiring into the expediency of making further appropriations to finish the Baring and Houlton road, having had the same under consideration, ask leave to report;

That it has been shown to them that appropriations have heretofore been made and expended by the Legislature of this State between Baring and Orient; That the townships of Orient, No. 10 and 11 belong to the State of Maine; that some parts of these townships are well timbered; that the soil on nearly the whole of the contemplated road is fertile, and well adapted to agriculture; that it is necessary to open this road to give the inhabitants of Houlton and its vicinity a thoroughfare to market, and to the shire town of their County; who for twenty two years past, till within a short time, have had no communication with the United States, except by passing through the Province of New Brunswick; that in attending their County Courts in any kind of carriages, they are obliged to travel two hundred miles and through the County of Penobscot; that their nearest market is Frederickton in the Province of New Brunswick, which receives from this State, for the want of the road prayed for, a considerable trade; that the opening of this road will give the inhabitants of Houlton, and all the northerly part of the County of Washington, and a part of the County of Penobscot, a direct communication to, and a good market in, Calais; a road laid out and opened on the most practicable route will make the distance between Houlton and Calais about seventy five miles; that by opening this road, the inhabitants of Houlton and its vicinity will be able to attend their County Courts by travelling a little more than one hundred miles; and they are informed that the expense of committing convicts arrested upon the military road in the County of Washington has exceeded the sum of one hundred dollars each.

Your committee believing, from these considerations, that it is for the interest of this State, and greatly for the benefit of a considerable population in the County of Washington, that the Baring and Houlton road be opened, recommend the passage of the accompanying Resolves.

J. S. KEITH, *Chairman.*

**Chapter 58.**

Resolve for completing the Baring and Houlton Road.

Approved March 5, 1832.

*Resolved*, That the Governor be and he hereby is authorized, with advice of the Council, to appoint an Agent, whose duty it shall be to locate a road from the north line of township numbered eleven in the County of Washington, which township is north of and adjacent to the Monument line, so called, thence running southwardly through said township and through township numbered ten and a place called Orion, and define the limits and boundaries of said road, and return a report of his doings as soon as may be to the office of the Secretary of the State.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars to be paid out of the Treasury of the State and expended by said Agent in opening and making said road. And said sum, together with any other sums already appropriated to the same object and not yet expended, shall be paid to said agent for said purpose, in such several sums and at such times as the Governor and Council may direct. And said agent shall be obliged to give a satisfactory bond to the State, approved by the Governor and Council, for the faithful expenditure of said money.

*Resolved*, That said road shall be constructed as follows. The trees, stumps and bushes, and all the roots which appear on the surface of the ground, shall be removed entirely from a space eighteen feet wide. This space shall be ploughed, thrown up and made smooth and sufficiently crowning to turn all the water from the face or surface thereof. Ditches shall be made on each side of said space, sufficiently wide and deep to discharge with readiness all the water which they may collect. Bridges and culverts to be made, wherever necessary across streams, gullies and water-courses; and under drains with sufficient frequency to convey the water from one side of the road to the other. And wherever streams or water-courses cross the route, they shall be freed from obstructions to such distance as may be needful for a full and free discharge of the water from and around the road. And all trees and bushes shall be felled and removed to the distance of twenty four feet on each side from the outer margin of said ditches.

*Resolved*, That it shall also be the duty of said Agent to locate a road from the northern line of No. 8, in the Coun-

ty of Washington thence running southerly through that part of the township owned by this State, and from the northerly line of Indian township No. 2 to the southerly line of said township, through the most expedient and practicable route for a road between Baring and Houlton, and define the limits and boundaries of said road, and return a report of his doings, as soon as may be to the office of the Secretary of State.

*Resolved*, That the Land Agent of the State be and hereby is authorized to sell upon credit or otherwise, as he shall deem most for the interest of the State, all that part of township No. 4 in the first range North of Bingham's Purchase which is owned by the State, and deposit the proceeds of the sale in the office of the Treasurer of the State.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated a sum not exceeding the amount of proceeds of said sale to be paid out of the Treasury of the State, and expended by said Agent in opening and making said road through that part of township No. 8, owned as aforesaid, and Indian township No. 2, to be constructed in the manner as the road mentioned in the third resolve: And said sum shall be paid by the Governor and Council, to said agent for said purpose, in such several sums, and at such times as they may direct.

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## Chapter 59.

Resolve in favor of the County of Kennebec.

Approved March 5, 1832.

*Resolved*, That for reasons set forth in the Petition of the County Commissioners of the County of Kennebec: There be paid to the Treasurer of said County, the sum of one hundred and seven dollars, and thirty nine cents. That sum having been paid into the Treasury of this State, some years since, by mistake, by the County Treasurer of said County.