# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

A.D.1847.

Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820, February 26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

Augusta:

WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, PRINTER TO THE STATE.

1847.

### Governor Anderson's Message.

To the members of the senate:

I herewith return to the senate, being the body in which it originated, a resolve passed by the last legislature, entitled "a resolve in favor of James Gould."

The resolve provides for the payment to said Gould of the sum of two hundred and eighty-eight dollars and fifty-nine cents, alleged to have arisen for defendant's costs, in a suit commenced in the state of Massachusetts against a debtor to the Maine State Prison, and was presented for my consideration upon the day preceding that of the final adjournment of the legislature.

Having reason to believe that the state was not properly chargeable with these costs, and if so, the claim would be more understandingly adjusted by the warden of the prison, through whose agency the suit was instituted, I advised the legislature that I had withheld my approval of the resolve until I could be better satisfied that it ought to pass.

I have since been informed by the warden of the prison, that the matter in dispute has been settled by him, and any claim which the said Gould may have had upon the state, fully discharged.

For these reasons the resolve has not been signed, and in accordance with a provision of the constitution, the same is returned to the senate.

H. J. ANDERSON.

Council Chamber, May 12, 1847.