

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1855.

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Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820, February  
26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.  
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CHAP. 245. rendering such aid, (which the law required him to render,) malicious suits were prosecuted against him, whereby he was subjected to much trouble, expense and pecuniary loss in defending himself."

"Law," said an ancient jurist, "is justice enacted into a statute ;" thus defined, how sacred is law ; and with what vigilance and bulwark of moral power should its outposts and citadel be guarded.

"Your committee have, therefore, after a careful consideration of the facts in the case, and of the principles applicable to the facts, come to the conclusion that claims of the character of the one here presented," should be allowed. And adopting the sentiment so beautifully expressed by the venerated father of our country, that "on future emergencies the government would be amply repaid by the influence of an example, that he who incurs a loss in its defense, should find a recompense in its liberality," we offer a resolve which is herewith submitted.

T. CUSHING, }  
A. CURRIER, } *Committee of the Senate.*

CHARLES DURELL, }  
EBEN. WOODBURY, }  
ANSEL MERRILL, } *Committee of the House.*  
SETH PATTERSON, }  
JOSIAH HOBBS, }  
A. K. WALKER, }  
WM. S. PEAVEY, }

### Chapter 245.

Resolve in favor of Valentine Ripley.

Valentine Ripley,  
in favor of.

*Resolved,* That there be paid from the state treasury to Valentine Ripley, the sum of three hundred and sixty-six dollars and eleven cents, for losses incurred in defending malicious prosecutions brought against him for aid rendered an officer in serving a criminal process, against a violator of the liquor law of eighteen hundred and forty-six.

[Approved March 15, 1855.]

### Chapter 246.

Resolves making appropriations to be expended on roads in Kingsbury, Blanchard, and Shirley.

Certain roads in  
Kingsbury,  
Blanchard and  
Shirley, in aid of.

*Resolved,* That the land agent be authorized to expend the sum of two hundred dollars on the road leading from Kingsbury to Blanchard ; two hundred dollars on the same road in Blanchard leading

to Shirley; and one hundred dollars in the town of Shirley, on a new road to be laid out in continuation of said road from Blanchard mills to Shirley mills, on the river; *provided*, in each case, the said towns raise and expend in each town the same amount, in a manner to be approved by the land agent.

CHAP. 247.

Proviso.

[Approved March 16, 1855.]

**Chapter 247.**

Resolve making an appropriation for the road across the Indian township in Washington county.

*Resolved*, That there be appropriated the sum of three hundred dollars, to be expended under the direction of the land agent, on the road across the Indian township, in Washington county.

Road across  
Indian township,  
Washington Co.,  
in aid of.

[Approved March 16, 1855.]

## STATE OF MAINE.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, February 9, 1855.

*To the Senate and House of Representatives :*

I herewith lay before the legislature the report of Seth W. Smith, Esq., Passamaquoddy Indian agent, made in compliance with a resolve of the legislature of 1854.

ANSON P. MORRILL.

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*To the Honorable Governor and Council :*

In accordance with a "Resolve in relation to Passamaquoddy Indian lands," passed at the last session of the legislature, and approved April 17, 1854; having carefully examined the matter, I now submit the following

## REPORT :

I can find no other conveyance of lands from Massachusetts to the Indians, except the original treaty, dated September 29, 1794, (a copy