

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1856.

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Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1830, February 26, 1840,  
and March 16, 1842.  
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RESOLVES

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1856.

CHAP. 386.

Through No. 9,
R. 6, and No. 9,
R. 5, §209.

No. 11, R. 5, to
Fort Kent, §700

Military road
and bridges on
same, §1,500.

Bridge over little
Madawaska
stream, in letter
I, R. 9, §209.

Mouth of the
Allegash to
terminus of the
east Aroostook
road, §700.

For repairing road through number nine, range six, and number nine, range five, as laid out by David Haynes, the sum of two hundred dollars.

For repairing road leading from number eleven range five, to Fort Kent, the sum of seven hundred dollars.

For repairing the military road, and the bridges on the same, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

For building bridge over the little Madawaska stream, in letter I, range two, the sum of two hundred dollars.

For repairing road from the mouth of the 'Allegash to the terminus of the east Aroostook road, the sum of seven hundred dollars.

[Approved April 10, 1856.]

Chapter 386.

Resolve in favor of Simeon S. Hasty.

Simeon S. Hasty,
in favor of.

Resolved, That there be paid from the treasury to Simeon S. Hasty, the sum of seven dollars, to defray the expense of sickness, while a member of the legislature.

[Approved April 10, 1856.]

Chapter 387.

Resolve in favor of William H. Lunt and another.

William H.
Lunt and
Thomas Marr,
Jr., in favor of.

Resolved, That there be paid out of the treasury to William H. Lunt twenty dollars, and to Thomas Marr, junior, twenty-two dollars; it being for expenses incurred by them on account of sickness, while attending as members of the house of representatives, during the present session.

[Approved April 10, 1856.]

Chapter 388.

Resolves relating to the extension of slavery, the territory of Kansas, and secret political associations.

Extension of
slavery over the
territories of the
United States.

Resolved, That in the judgment of this legislature the settled convictions of the people of Maine, are adverse to the extension of slavery over the territories of the United States;

but that the "resolves relating to slavery" approved March seventeenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, set forth doctrines which are not satisfactory to the people of this state, and are calculated to increase sectional agitation, without accomplishing any good result, and to place the state in an attitude of apparent hostility to the union and the constitution.

CHAP. 388.

Resolves of March 17, 1855, not satisfactory to the people of this state.

Resolved, That the people of Kansas territory under the constitution of the United States, and the provisions of the Nebraska Kansas act; the true intent and meaning of which by its very terms are declared to be, "to leave the people thereof perfectly free to form and regulate their domestic institutions in their own way, subject only to the constitution," are entitled to protection against interference from any quarter, intended to thwart or prevent the actual settlers in said territory, from the full and complete exercise of the right of suffrage and the enjoyment of all civil and political rights and privileges incident to their position and necessary to secure the just regulation of their domestic institutions.

The people of Kansas territory entitled to protection against interference from any quarter.

Resolved, That the territory of Kansas should be admitted as a state into the Union whenever it shall have a sufficient population, and the people thereof have adopted a constitution republican in its character, and have conformed to the usages which have heretofore been considered necessary and proper in similar cases.

Admission of Kansas, as a state, into the Union.

Resolved, That secret oath bound political associations are hostile to a republican form of government; destroy the rights of minorities and the independence of the citizens; corrupt the purity of the ballot box, and become "potent engines, by which cunning, ambitious and unprincipled men are enabled to subvert the power of the people, and usurp for themselves the reins of government."

Secret political associations.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to forward a copy of these resolves to each of our senators and representatives in congress to be presented to that body, and to the governor of each state, with a request that the same be laid before the legislature thereof.

Copies to be forwarded to senators, representatives in congress, and governors of other states.

[Approved April 10, 1856.]