

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1858.

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Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820, February  
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CHAP. 135. sons, proprietors of newspapers, cities, towns and plantations, respectively named in roll of accounts numbered thirty-eight, the sum set against the names of such persons, newspapers, cities, towns and plantations amounting in the aggregate to the sum of three thousand seven hundred and eighty-two dollars, sixty-six cents, in full discharge of all the claims to which they severally refer.

[Approved March 2, 1858.]

### Chapter 135.

Resolves relative to bounty on cod fisheries.

Preamble.

*Whereas*, A bill has been proposed in congress to repeal the act allowing bounties to vessels employed in the cod fisheries, the passage of which will greatly injure, if not destroy one of the most important interests of this state, and one which affords employment to thousands of our hardy citizens; and

*Whereas*, the passage of such a bill will have the effect to render almost, if not entirely useless, a large class of vessels which from their peculiar build and model, cannot be successfully employed in other business, and which have been built under what was supposed to be a well founded reliance upon the continuance of a policy, which places us more nearly upon a level with those of other nations engaged in the same business whose governments bestow a more liberal bounty thereon than our own, and

*Whereas*, Our past history abundantly proves that the cod fisheries afford the cheapest, best and most efficient school for manning our navy in time of war, therefore

Bounty on cod fisheries, in relation to.

*Resolved*, That the repeal of the law granting bounties to vessels employed in the fishing business will be unjust and oppressive to those induced by the existence of the law to embark a large amount of capital therein; and at the same time will, in a national point of view, be impolitic and unwise, inasmuch as we shall thereby be deprived in case of war, of the most reliable source for a supply of American seamen.

*Resolved*, That our senators and representatives in congress be requested to exert their influence to prevent the repeal of the law allowing bounties to vessels engaged in said business.

*Resolved*, That the governor be requested to transmit to our senators and representatives in congress a copy of these resolutions to be laid before congress.

[Approved March 5, 1858.]