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REPORT
OF
THE COMMISSIONER
ON THE
REVISION AND CONSOLIDATION
OF THE
PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
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CHAPTER 143.

THE STATE PENSION LAW.

SEC. 1. Any person who has served by enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in the war of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, on the quota of Maine, and any person not on the quota of Maine, who has served in the army or navy of the United States in said war, and who was a resident of this state at date of enlistment, and at time of making application for pension shall have been a resident of the state at least five years, also any person who has served by enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in the war with Spain, on the quota of Maine, and who has been disabled by disease, wounds or other injuries contracted or received in said service, and who is unable from his own resources and the United States pension to obtain a livelihood for himself and those dependent upon him, shall be entitled to a pension from the state of Maine, not exceeding eight dollars a month, *provided*, he has been honorably discharged from said service. No such pension shall be paid by this state to persons residing in other states.

Pensions to soldiers and sailors.
R. S., c. 144, § 1.
1899, c. 10,
92 Me., 443.

SEC. 2. The widow during her widowhood, orphan children under twelve years of age, orphan minor children over twelve years of age who are partially or totally disabled by accident or chronic sickness or the dependent child, parent or sister of any soldier or seaman deceased, are entitled to the same pension as is provided in the preceding section and under similar conditions; *provided*, that not more than eight dollars a month shall be paid one family.

Pensions to widow, orphan children and dependent relatives.
R. S., c. 144, § 2.
1889, c. 243.

SEC. 3. The two preceding sections do not include any soldier or seaman who was not a resident of this state at the time of entering the service, or who has not since become a resident thereof.

Benefits are limited to residents.
R. S. c., 144, § 3.

SEC. 4. The execution of this chapter devolves upon the governor and council, who shall regulate the proof required to entitle applicants to the benefit thereof, and shall issue certificates therefor.

Certificates, by whom to be issued.
R. S. c., 144, § 4.

SEC. 5. Upon the issue of such certificate, the treasurer of the city, town, or plantation where the pensioner resides shall be notified thereof, and shall pay quarterly from the treasury of said city, town, or plantation, to the pensioner, the amount specified and for the time specified in said certificate, and take vouchers therefor, and the same shall be reimbursed to said treasurer from the treasury of the State.

Pensioners, to be paid, quarterly, by town treasurers.
R. S. c., 144, § 5.

SEC. 6. The necessary blanks shall be issued to the mayors of cities, selectmen of towns and assessors of plantations, as the governor may direct, and the expense of printing and distribution shall be paid out of the treasury of the State.

Blanks shall be issued to town officers, at State's expense.
R. S. c., 144, § 6.

SEC. 7. No officer of any city, town, or plantation shall receive any fees or compensation from the State for services performed under this chapter, or in carrying its provisions into effect.

Municipal officers are not entitled to fees.
R. S. c., 144, § 7.