

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.]

[No. 32.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES to facilitate emigration to Aroostook County.

RESOLVED, That the Governor and Council, are here-
2 by authorized and requested to contract for the term
3 of five years, with any persons or corporations to con-
4 vey emigrants to Aroostook, inhabitants of this State,
5 by a good and safe steamboat from Rockland, touch-
6 ing at Camden, Belfast, Searsport, Castine, Deer Isle,
7 Sedgwick, Mt. Desert, Millbridge, Jonesport, Eastport,
8 St. Andrews, and at any other places designated by
9 the Governor and Council, to Calais once a week dur-
10 ing the ordinary boating seasons, without change of
11 boat for the route, at half the usual fare for such emi-
12 grants and their household furniture, to be paid by
13 them, provided such a contract can be made for a sum
14 to be paid by the State not exceeding five thousand
15 dollars a year as a compensation for the half fare, not
16 paid by said emigrants.

EMIGRATION TO AROOSTOOK.

RESOLVED, That the Governor and Council are also
2 authorized and requested to make a contract for the
3 term of five years with the railroad corporations from
4 the west line of the State to Portland, and if deemed
5 expedient with all other railroad corporations termi-
6 nating at said Portland, with owners of some steam-
7 boat running from Portland to Rockland, and with
8 the St. Andrews and Quebec Railroad, to carry such
9 emigrants and their household furniture at the lowest
10 practicable rates, over their respective routes to Houl-
11 ton, to be paid by said emigrants; each route afore-
12 said connecting with the other, so that there may be
13 a continuous cheap line of coastwise communication
14 by steam, touching at all the principal places and
15 parts from the west line of the State to Aroostook
16 county. It is provided however, that if the Governor
17 and Council are unable to make such contracts on
18 the terms aforesaid, or if they shall deem the terms of
19 said railroads, or said steamboat from Portland to
20 Rockland unsatisfactory, instead of making the con-
21 tracts herein authorized and requested, they shall re-
22 port to the next Legislature, the terms on which such
23 contracts can be made.

RESOLVED, That if the Governor and Council are
2 successful in making such contracts on the terms
:3 aforesaid, they are hereby authorized and requested

4 to give suitable notice in the public newspapers of
5 this State, of the days of passage by said coastwise
6 route from the west line of the State to Houlton, and
7 the rate of fare for emigrants and their household
8 furniture from each principal place and port upon
9 said route.

RESOLVED, That the foregoing Resolves shall take
2 effect and be in force from and after their approval by
3 the Governor.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 21, 1859.

On motion of Mr. SMART of Camden, laid on the table and 350 copies of the same, ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

GEO. W. WILCOX, *Clerk.*