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BATH MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

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OF THE

Military and Naval Orphan Asylum

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BATH, MAINE

FOR THE YEAR

1901~1902

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OFFICERS FOR 1903.

SETH 1. SNIPE, President.

JOHN O. SHAW, Secretary.

HORATIO A. DUNCAN, Treasurer.

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Seth T. Snipe, Wm. H. Watson, Horatio A. Duncan, David R. Wylie, John O. Shaw of Bath, John M. S. Hunter of Farmington, James L. Merrick of Waterville.

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S. T. Snipe, Wm. H. Watston, John O. Shaw.

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Wm. H. Watson, S. T. Snipe, David R. Wylie.

COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

John O. Shaw, D. R. Wylie, J. M. S. Hunter.

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Miss E. F. Brown.

PHYSICIAN.

Dr. Chas. A. Packard.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To His Excellency, the Governor of Maine and the Honorable Council:

The trustees of the military and Naval Orphan Asylum at Bath respectfully submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1902.

One year ago there were 62 children in the home. During the year 18 have been admitted making the total number of children who have been inmates 80 of which total number 11 have left, thus making the number at present in the institution 69. Of its total number above mentioned 37 were the children of soldiers and sailors and 43 were grandchildren. Of those in the home at the present time 38 are girls and 31 boys with an average age of 9 57-100 years.

We have received an application for the admission of a child of a soldier who served in the Spanish-American war. It would have been impossible to grant this request if he had not been a grandchild of a soldier of the Civil War, as the act of incorporation in its present form does not include such children. It seems to the trustees that a change in the charter should therefore be made in order that such children may be admitted if any apply for the State owes a debt to the soldiers of that war which while less in degree is still similar in kind to that which it owes to the soldiers and sailors of our Civil War. The trustees therefore make a recommendation that such a change in the charter be made.

In many previous annual reports we have taken occasion to mention the excellent care and intelligent training which the children receive in their home life, which really more nearly resembles "home" than "institutional" life as these words are generally used. This care and training they still receive under the skillful management of our efficient matron, Miss Brown, who is most ably assisted by the housekeeper, Miss Nathalie Brown.

We are glad also to once more call your attention to the remarkably good health which the children have enjoyed, which we are sure is far better than most other institutions can show. In this connection the valuable services of the home physician, Dr. Charles A. Packard, should be most highly commended.

The commendation of one's neighbors is the highest test of value. It is therefore with especial pride that we note that those who see the most of the asylum are of the greatest eagerness to show their appreciation.

We therefore desire especially to thank the Eastern Steamboat Company, the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Electric Railroad Company, Bosworth Circle of Portland and Sedgwick Relief Corps and Sedgwick Post, G. A. R., of Bath, and also to Mrs. T. W. Hyde, A. M. Waterman and F. C. Scribner of this city for their kind favors.

We respectfully ask this year that our appropriation be \$8,500 a year for running expenses and \$500 a year for repairs, as we find these sums are the smallest amounts which can be sufficient.

In behalf of the trustees,

SETH T. SNIPE, President.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. A. Duncan, Treasurer, in Account with the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

1901. Dr. January, To balance from last year	\$2,500 00 3,000 00 3,000 00	\$97	45
December 24, received from State Treasurer	3,000 00	8,500	00
1902. Cr.	j	\$8,597	45
January 6, By paid bills for maintenance of Home as follows: Pay roll Medical attendance and medicine Freight and trucking Provisions and groceries. Milk and country produce Boots, shoes and repairs on same Books and stationery. Dry goods and clothing. Traveling expenses children, trustees and lady visitors. Water Lights. Fuel Kitchen utensils and hardware Furniture and repairs on same Ordinary repairs Miscellaneous Balance to new account	\$2,594 35 177 19 8 75 1,829 37 713 22 359 39 147 93 1,072 82 39 30 75 00 132 60 63 93 37 461 161 09 99 98	\$8,324 273 \$8,597	42

Special Repairs.

1901.	DR.			
May 9, to eash from	State Treasurer	\$500 00		
December 24, to cas	h from State Treasurer	500 00		
			\$1,000	0
1901.	CR.	1	ĺ	
May 22, paid bill W	H. Watson, plumber			
May 22, paid bill W.	H. Watson, plumber	51 46		
Bath Iron Works, r	epairing boiler	111 06		
C. L. Farnham, join	er and material	356 49		
Read, Nichols Comp	oany, mason work	24 62	i	
	•		\$730	8
Balance to	new account		269	16
			\$1,000	0

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF CHILDREN.

Names of Children that have been in the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum at any time during the Year 1901. Those having a star prefixed have been provided with homes or taken by relatives.

Names.	Age.	Admitted.	Residence.	Father or Grandfather.	Service.
Alexander, Wm. F	7	1898	Togus	William Alexander	12th Massachusetts Infantry.
Alexander, John J		1899		Hugh A. Ward, grandfather	
Alexander, Andrew	8	1899	Brunswick	Hugh A. Ward, grandfather	15th Maine Infantry.
Allen, Mertie M	8	1901	Litchfield	Elijah Allen, grandfather	3rd Maine and 1st Cavalry.
Allen, Hattie Ann		1901	Litchfield	Elijah Allen, grandfather	3d Maine and 1st Cavalry.
Black, Annie E		1897	Richmond	Daniel Black, grandfather	21st Maine and 2d Cavalry.
Black, Flora B		1897	Richmond	Daniel Black, grandfather	21st Maine and 2d Cavalry.
*Bennett, Clara Bell		1900		Philemon Bennett, grandfather	
*Bennett, Bertha	11	1900		Philemon Bennett, grandfather	
*Bennett, Arnold E	9	1900		Philemon Bennett, grandfather	
*Brawn, Vallie	10	1900	Farmington	Jos. W. Welch, grandfather	31st and 32nd Maine Infantry.
Brown, Jas. F	12	1900	Camden	U. S. Brown	19th Maine Infantry.
Brown, Clara M	9	1900		U. S. Brown	
Brown, Effie	7			U. S. Brown	
Brown, Alva	5	1901		U. S. Brown	
*Coffren, Laura G		1896	Phillips	Wm. Coffren	11th Maine Infantry.
*Connell, Harris D	14	1897		Jas. G. Connell	
Crooker, Ralph E	8	1899	Bath	Melville C. Crooker, grandfather	lst Maine Cavalry.
Crooker, Florence M	7	1899	Bath	Melville C. Crooker, grandfather	1st Maine Cavalry.
Coleman, Rosetta M	13	1900	Bowdoinham	Marcellus M. Shepard, grandfather	17th Me. Inf. and 1st Heavy Ar
Coleman, Sarah M	12	1900		Marcellus M. Shepard, grandfather	
Coleman, Joseph A	6	1900	Bowdoinham	Marcellus M. Shepard, grandfather	17th Me. Inf. and 1st Heavy Ar
Coffin, Bessie Louisa	11	1901		Wm. Henry Coffin, grandfather	1st and 10th Maine Infantry.
Coffin, Nina Martin	9	1901	Brunswick		1st and 10th Maine Infantry.
Coffin, Percy Warren	6	1901	Brunswick	Wm. Henry Coffin, grandfather	1st and 10th Maine Infantry.
Dugan, Jas. Wm	8	1897	Richmond	Jas. Dugan, grandfather	Navy.
*Dunbar, Minnie S	15	1897		Jas. Dunbar	
Davis, Michel D	8	1898		John Davis	
*Davis, Monfort S		1899	Searsmont	Leroy S. Davis	9th Maine Infantry.
Dunn, Jenny Lind	12	1899	Augusta	John A. Dunn	1st Sharpshooters.
Dunn, Bessie A	10	1899	Augusta	John A. Dunn	1st Sharpshooters.
Dunn, Minnie F	8	1899	Augusta	John A. Dunn	1st Sharpshooters.
Dunn, Eben P		1899	Augusta	John A. Dunn	lst Sharpshooters.
Doughty, Edward J	5	1900	Dresden	Florena Densmore, grandfather	30th Maine Infantry.
Follett, Mary E		1897	Portland	Wm. E. Follett	lst and 29th Maine Infantry.
Follett, Helen F		1897	Portland	Wm. E. Follett	lst and 29th Maine Infantry.
*Flye, John Albert	13	1901	Exeter	Wm. J. Flye	9th Maine Infantry.

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Flye, Leon M	8	1901	Exeter9th Maine Infantry.
*Gibbs, Walter H	14	1893	Bath Jesse Mitchell, grandfather 19th Maine Infantry.
Gould, Harold	10	1901	Augusta Daniel Meguire, grandfather 2d Maine Cavalry.
* Hutchinson, Maud	17	1891	Gardiner
Harper, Chas. R	14	1895	PortlandAlonzo Bonney, grandfatherlst and 12th Maine Infantry.
Harper, Geo. Wm	9	1895	Portland Alongo Bonney grandfather let and 12th Maine Infantry.
Hooker, Fred H	10	1897	Portland
* Hall, George.	16	1897	Windsor
Honor Armos			Richmond Richard W. Hall 2nd Maine Cavalry.
Hasey, Agnes	11	1898	Westbrook Washburn Hurd, grandfather 13th Maine Infantry.
Hasey, Alice	11	1898	Westbrook Washburn Hurd, grandfather 13th Maine Infantry.
Hasey, Lillian	9	1899	Westbrook
Jordan, Herbert R	13	1900	Waterville
* Kneeley, Ivan F	10	1899	Lincoln
* Kneeley, Lewis C	7	1899	Lincoln
Kennedy Fred G	6	1900	Topsham Benj. Sedgley, grandfather 3d Maine Infantry.
* Murray, Elizabeth M	15	1899	Augusta James Murray 14th Maine Infantry.
* Murray, James	13	1899	Augusta James Murray lath Maine Infantry.
* Murray, Robert P	9	1899	Augusta
Manchester, Nina	14	1900	Augusta James Murray 14th Maine Infantry.
Manchester, Aggie	8	1900	Windham Edward E. Manchester lst Heavy Artillery.
Manahastan John	6		Windham Edward E. Manchesterlst Heavy Artillery.
Manchester, John		1900	Windham Edward E. Manchester lst Heavy Artillery.
* McMann, Winnie E	5	1900	Gardiner
* McMann, Sadie	3	1900	Gardiner Thomas B. McMann, grandfather 9th Maine Infantry.
* Pinkham, Vesta	12	1893	Presque IsleJosiah Pinkham
Pette, Clarence W	9	1896	Rockland 2d Maine Infantry.
Pendleton, Nellie May	7	1901	Biddeford Chas. H. Pendleton 14th Maine Infantry.
Quinby, Chas. W. J	13	1897	Togus Chas. H. Quinby 10th Maine Infantry.
Ragon, Maggie	15	1894	Lewiston Michel Ragon
* Robinson, Cony L	13	1895	South Gardiner Jas. M. Robinson, grandfather 14th Maine Infantry.
Roundy, Fannie	12	1896	City Point Edelbert Roundy 9th Maine Infantry.
Roundy, Vallie	îī	1896	City Point Edelbert Roundy 9th Maine Infantry.
Runnells, Flora	13	1897	Party of Officer and State of Marine Highly.
Runnells, Arthur H	ii	1897	Bath W. J. Runnells, grandfather 4th Maine Infantry.
Runnells, Etta Pearl	7	1897	Bath
Reeves, Ella M	10		Bath W. J. Runnells, grandfather 4th Maine infantry.
Poetro Person M		1901	Bradford John E. Reeves
Reeves, Roscoe M	-7	1901	Bradford John E. Reeves
Spencer, Charlotte L	15	1898	Benton
Spencer, Janet W	13	1898	Benton
Spencer, Chas. F	10	1898	Benton
Spearing, Helen F	9	1899	South Gardiner Hollis Spearing, grandfather 19th Maine Infantry.
Spearing, Martha L	6	1899	South Gardiner Hollis Spearing, grandfather 19th Maine Infantry.
Smith, Geo. W	12	1900	Hallowell Geo. W. Smith, grandfather 21st Maine Infantry.
Tebbetts, Ira Benj	10	1899	Skowhegan Horace B. Tebbetts 21st Maine Infantry.
Whitney, Maud	$\hat{1}\overset{\circ}{2}$	1900	Richmond
Whitney, Thomas	9	1900	Richmond Leander Whitney 6th Massachusetts Infantry.
Whitney, Leander	7	1900	Richmond Leander Whitney 6th Massachusetts Infantry.
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Children that have been Inmates of the Home at any time during the Year 1902.

Those having a star prefixed have been provided with homes or taken by relatives.

Name.	Age.	Admit	ted.	Residence.	Father or Grandfather.	Service.
Alexander, Wm. F	8	March,	1898	logus	Wm. Alexander	12th Mass. Infantry.
Alexander, John J		October.			Hugh A. Ward, grandfather	
Alexander, Andrew	9	October.			Hugh A. Ward, grandfather	
Allen, Mattie M	9	August,	1901	Litchfield	Elijah Allen, grandfather	3d Maine and 1st Cav.
Allen, Hattie Ann	7	August,	1901	Litchfield	Elijah Allen, grandfather	3d Maine and 1st Cav.
Black, Annie E	11	June,	1897	Richmond	Daniel Black, grandfather	21st and 2d Me. Cav.
Black, Flora B	9	June,	1897	Richmond	Daniel Black, grandfather	21st and 2d Me. Cav.
Brown, Jas. F	13		1900	Camden	U. S. Brown	19th Maine Infantry.
Brown, Clara M		November,	1900	Camden	U. S. Brown	19th Maine Infantry.
Brown, Effie	8	March,	1901	Canden	U. S. Brown	19th Maine Infantry.
Brown, Alvah	6	March,	1901	Camden	U. S. Brown	. 19th Maine Infantry.
Burt, Edwin S	8	January,	1902	Augusta	Edwin Burt, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.
Burt, Frank D	6	January,	1902	Augusta	Edwin Burt, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.
Bailey, Paul T	4	June,	1902	Wiscasset	Leroy Young, grandfather	20th Maine Infantry.
Bennett, Bertha E	12	September,	1902	Augusta	Philemon Bennett, grandfather	lst Heavy Artillery.
Bennett, Arnold	10	September,	1902	Augusta	Philemon Bennett, grandfather	lst Heavy Artillery.
Bearce, Jesse M	12	September,	1892	Southport	Jesse Peirce, grandfather	Navy.
Bearce, Clara M	10		1892	Southport	Jesse Peirce, grandfather	Navy.
Crooker, Ralph E	9	March,	1899	Bath	Melville C. Crooker, grandfather.	lst Maine Cavalry.
Crooker, Flora M		March,	1899	Bath	Melville C. Crooker, grandfather.	lst Maine Cavalry.
Coleman, Rossetta M	14	August,			Marcellus M. Shepard, grandfathe:	
Joleman, Sarah M	13	August,			Marcellus M. Shepard, grandfathe:	
Coleman, Joseph A		August,			Marcellus M. Shepard, grandfather	
Coffin, Bessie L	12	December,	1901	Brunswick	Wm. Henry Coffin, grandfather	1st and 10th Infantry.
Coffin, Nina Marten	10	December.	1901	Brunswick	Wm. Henry Coffin, grandfather	1st and 10th Infantry.
Coffin, Percy Warren	7	December,	1901	Brunswick	Wm. Henry Coffin, grandfather	lst and 10th Infantry.
Clark, Willie	8	December,	$1902 \cdots$	Old Town	Samuel Clark, grandfather	Ilth Maine Infantry.
Jark, Myrtle	7	December,	1902	Old Town	Samuel Clark, grandfather	. 11th Maine Infantry.
Dugan, Jas. Wm					James Dugan, grandfather	
Davis, Marshall		April,			John Davis	
Dunn, Jenny Lind		October,			John A. Dunn	
Dunn, Bessie A		October,			John A. Dunn	
Dunn, Minnie F		October	1899	Augusta	John A. Dunn	1st Sharp Shooters.
Ounn, Eben P	8	October,	1899	Augusta	John A. Dunn	. 11st Sharp Shooters.

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Doughty, Edward J	-6	A pril,	1900	Dresden	Florena Dinsmore, grandfather	30th Maine Infantry.
Damon, Gertrude	12	October,	1902	Georgetown	Thomas Burnham, grandfather	lst Maine Infantry.
Follett, Mary E	11	January,	1897	Portland	Wm. E. Follett	lst and 29th Me. Inf.
Follett, Helen F	9	January,	1897	Portland	W m . E. Follett	lst and 29th Me. Inf.
Flye, Leon M	9	July,	1901	Dexter	Wm. J. Flve	9th Maine Infantry.
*Flye, John Albert	14	May.	$1902 \cdots$	Dexter	[Wm. J. Flve	9th Maine Infantry.
Gould, Harold	11	September.	1901	Augusta	Daniel Maguire, grandfather	2d Maine Cavalry.
*Granger, Elmer Frederick	12	March,	1902	Gardiner	James Granger, grandfather	6th Maine Infantry
*Harper, Chas. R	15	July,	1895	Portland	Alonzo Bonney, grandfather	1st & 15th Ma Inf
*Harper, Geo. Wm	10	July.	1895	Portland	Alonzo Bonney, grandfather	let & 15th Mo. Inf
Hooker, Fred H	11	October,	1897	Windsor	Henry Hooker	11th Popp
Hasev, Agnes	12	July,	1898	Westbrook	Washburn Hurd, grandfather	13th Mo Infanter
Hasey, Alice	12	July,		Westbrook	Washburn Hurd, grandfather	13th Me. Infantry.
Hasey, Lillian	10	October,	1899	Wastbrook	Washburn Hurd, grandfather	19th Me Infantry.
*Jordan, Herbert R	14	January.		Weterville		13th Me. Infantry.
Kennedy, Fred G	17	October.	1900	Touchem	Bond Sadalan managers	26th Me. Infantry.
Kerr, Catherine F	13		1902	Chalana	Benj. Sedgley, grandfather	ad Me. Intantry.
Kerr, Lillian G		May,		Chelsea		7th R. I. Infantry.
Vous Cucco C	12	May,	1902	Cheisea	Michel Kerr	7th R. I. Infantry.
Kerr, Grace C	10	May,	1902	Chersea	Michel Kerr	ith R. I. Infantry.
*Manchester, Nina	15	January,	$1900 \dots$	windnam	Edward E. Manchester	lst Heavy Art.
Manchester, Aggie	9	January,	1900	Windham	Edward E. Manchester	
Manchester, John	5	January,		Windham		1st Heavy Art.
McKeen, Inza F	6	July,	$1902 \cdots$	Phillips		1st Maine Cavalry.
Patti, Clarence W	10	November,		Rockland	Isaac T. Patti	2d Maine Infantry.
Pendleton, Nellie May	8	November,	1901	Biddeford	Charles H. Pendleton	14th Maine Infantry.
Quin by Chas. W. J	14	June,	1897	Togus	Charles H. Quinby	10th Maine Infantry.
*Ragon, Maggie	14	August,	1894	Lewiston	Michael Ragon	1st Maine Infantry
Roundy, Fannie	13	December,	1896	City Point	Edelbert Roundy	9th Maine Infantiv.
Roundy, Vallie	12	December.	1896	City Point	Edelbert Boundy	9th Maine Infantry
Runnells, Flora	14	January.	1897	Bath	W. J. Runnells, grandfather	4th Maine Infantry
Runnells, Arthur H	$\tilde{1}\tilde{2}$	January,	1897	Bath	W. J. Runnells, grandfather	4th Maine Infantiv
Runnells, Etta Pearl	- 8	January,	1897	Bath	W. J. Runnells, grandfather	Ath Maine Infantry
Reeves, Ella M	ıĭ	March.	1901	Bradford	John Reeves.	2d Maine Infantry
Reeves, Roscoe M	18	March,	1901	Bigdford	John Reeves	2d Maine Infantry.
Spencer, Charlotte S	16	June,	1898	Bradford	Chas. F. Spencer	17th Maine Infantis
Spencer, Janet W	14	June.		Bradford	Chas. F. Spencer	17th Maine Infantry.
Spencer, Chas. F	11	June,	1898	Bredford	Chas E Spencer	17th Maine Infantry.
Spearing, Helen T	10	June,	1899	Ponth Condings	Chas. F. Spencer	17th Maine Infantry.
Spearing, Helen I	10			South Gardiner	Hollis Spearing, grandfather	19th Maine Infantry.
Spearing, Martha L	70	June,	1899	South Gardiner	Hollis Spearine, grandfather	19th Maine infantry.
Smith, Geo. W	13	January,	1900	Hallowell	Geo. W. Smith, grandfather	21st Maine Infantry.
Tebbetts, Ira Benj.	11	December,	1899	Skownegan	Horace B. Tebbetts	21st Maine Infantry.
*Whitney, Maud	13	March,	1900	Kienmond	Leander Whitney	5th Mass.
Whitney, Thomas	10	March,		Richmond	Leander Whitney	6th Mass.
Whitney, Leander	8	March,	1900	Richmond	Leander Whitney	6th Mass.
Williams, Clara M	10	January,	1902	Brunswick	Geo. Williams, grandfather	1st Dist. Unasigned.
Williams, Minnie Louise	12	March,	1902	Brunswick	Geo. Williams, grandfather	1st Dist. Unasigned.
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. A. Duncan, Treasurer, in account with Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

1902. DR. January 1, To balance from last year	\$273 42 3,000 00 2,000 00 2,000 00 1,500 00	
1903. CR. January 5, By paid bills for maintenance of the Home as per vouchers numbered 1 to 171 inclusive, in abstract as follows: Pay roll. Medical attendance and medicine Freight and trucking Provisions and groceries. Milk and produce Boots and shoes Books and stationery. Dry goods and clothing. Traveling expenses of children and Lady Visitors Water. Lights. Fuel. Kitchen ware and repairs. Ordinary repairs. Miscellaneous. Furniture and repairs. Balance on hand.	\$2,663 00 132 18 10 75 2,175 37 797 99 406 86 205 84 819 76 20 54 819 75 60 143 63 558 63 35 10 293 46 127 07 86 70	\$8,773 42 \$8,552 14 221 28 \$8,773 42

Special Repairs.

1902.	Dr.		
	o balance from last year	\$269 16	
. ,	amount transferred to general account to balance	140 96	
	-		\$410 12
υ	CR.	\$155 12	
Б	y C. L. Farnham, joiner and floor material Sagadahoc Light and Power Company, wiring	\$195 12;	
	and electric fixtures per contract	255 00	
	•		\$410 12
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN FOR 1901.

Bath Muttary and Naval Orphan Asylum Association:	
The number of children in the Home January 1, 1901	70
Number admitted during the year	13
Making the total cared for	83
Taken by relatives or provided with homes	21
Remaining in the Home January 1, 1902	the lion. esent
children. Average age, 9.27.	

By the above it will be seen that the number of grandchildren of veterans is increasing and with applications now under consideration they will be in the majority and in the larger number of cases one or the other of the parents is living but unable to support their children.

I would suggest whether it would not be well for the association to consider whether some further amendment to the act of incorporation be proposed to the next legislature in order that the usefulness of the institution be maintained in future.

The health of the children has been remarkably good. No serious cases of sickness having occurred during the year, which speaks well for the matron and her assistants for their watchful care of them.

Thanks are due to President Drake of the Eastern Steamboat Company and the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Railway Company for free excursions enjoyed during the summer, also to Sedgwick Post, G. A. R., Sedgwick Relief Corps of Bath, Bosworth Relief Corps of Portland, D. T. Percy and Conley & Crosby of Bath and others for timely donations.

W. H. WATSON, Chairman Committee on Children.

REPORT OF LADY VISITORS.

Brunswick, December 26, 1901.

Iohn O. Shaw, Esq., Secretary of Bath Orphan Asylum:

Dear Sir—Owing to the serious illness of my little girl since last January, I have been unable even once to visit the Home. Her health even now, though somewhat improved, is not such as warrants my leaving her at all and it is doubtful if I am able to do so for some time to come. In view of that it seems right that I should resign my office as visitor from Brunswick in favor of someone who can give it the time and attention it deserves.

My past visits have never failed to give me both pleasure and profit. It is a real privilege to be in any way connected with an institution of its character and my personal interest does not cease with my official relation, I assure you.

Very respectfully yours,

MRS. HENRY JOHNSON.

FARMINGTON, January 6, 1902.

To Trustees Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, Bath, Me.:

Dear Sirs—I have the honor to submit a brief report as lady visitor. I have visited the asylum once during the past year, and was pleased to note many improvements, particularly in the plumbing and the kitchen and laundry conveniences. I noticed, too, that the back yard had been very much improved by filling up the low places with gravel.

My coming was unannounced but everything about the house and in the family seemed to be in good order, the house neat and tidy in every part and the children cleanly dressed and apparently well and happy.

I think there is little to suggest in the way of new appliances. Possibly a few additions to the piping in the laundry might pay in the saving of labor. I think one or more tables so located as to have a good light would add to the comfort of the reading or family room evenings. I thought the light where they (the children) sit on the outside of the room hardly sufficient. It seemed to me that some low chairs would be much more comfortable for the smaller children than the settees. Indeed, chairs for all, some larger, some smaller, would be better in most respects than the settees, I should say. The settees need not be removed, however. There is room for both.

I remain, with sincere respect,

Very truly yours,

(MRS.) H. E. P. KEYES.

ROCKLAND, ME., December 28, 1901.

Mr. John O. Show:

Dear Sir—I visited at the Home December 20th at the unheard of hour of eight o'clock in the morning. I was obliged to do so on account of other business. I found everything in the most perfect order. I saw nothing that I can suggest. I am very favorably impressed with Miss Brown and think she is well fitted for the position she holds. She rules the happy little ones under her care with love and great patience. Now wishing the Home and all connected with it a happy new year,

I am sincerely,

MRS. ETTA MARSH.

To Trustees of Bath Orphan Asylum:

It has been a pleasure for me to make several visits to the Home the past year, and have always found everything very satisfactory. Miss Brown, the matron, looks after the children very carefully. The management could not be better and everything is conducive to health and good order.

Mrs. AMOS B. HAGGETT.

Ватн, January 14, 1903.

Ватн, January 11, 1903.

Mr. John O. Shaw:

I have been a lady visitor at the Home for two years and always find everything very nice and can truthfully say I think it is a nice Home for our soldiers' orphans. Miss Brown has the respect of all the children and I think she is the right person in the right place.

Yours respectfully,

Mrs. H. A. HOWSE.

To the Trustees of Military and Naval Orphan Asylum:

Lewiston, January 6, 1903.

So far as I have a report to submit to you, I can truly say that the present condition of the Home is very good. In my judgment it has not been more satisfactory at any time. (The present conditions make a greater demand upon those who have the care and responsibility, for there are vexing questions to meet.) But the children are well cared for, well disciplined, and well clothed and fed.

I have noticed the air of home-likeness in the house and the motherliness of Miss Brown, with satisfaction. I have been interested about their reading and have ventured a few suggestions which have been well received.

It is a pleasure to visit the Home and learn that so many destitute of a true home with father and mother to care for them, here find a place where care and education fits them to become good members of society.

Respectfully,

MRS. THOMAS H. RICH.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

An Act to incorporate the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section I. John Patten, George F. Patten, Charles Davenport, Oliver Moses and J. P. Morse, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Trustees of Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, for the purpose of rearing and educating, gratuitously, in the common branches of learning and ordinary industrial pursuits, the orphans and half orphans of officers, soldiers, seamen and marines who have entered the service of the government from Maine during the war for the suppression of the rebellion, and have died while in said service, or subsequently from wounds received, or injuries or disease contracted while in said service; and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the duties and liabilities of like corporations in this State.

SECT. 2. If the aforesaid corporators shall within two years raise the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and shall exhibit satisfactory evidence to the Governor and Council that the same is duly and permanently secured for the purposes named in this act, then the Governor shall be authorized to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer for the sum of six hundred dollars, annually, in favor of said corporation, to be by them applied in manner satisfactory to the executive, to carry out the objects herein named.

SECT. 3. Of the twenty thousand dollars to be raised by these corporators, not less than one-fourth part thereof shall be judiciously invested in productive and improved real estate, consisting of not less than twenty-five acres of land, with dwelling house and customary outbuildings, for the occupancy of said orphans and those having charge of them, and fifteen hundred dollars, at least of said subscription shall be prudently invested in stock, farming utensils, and other personal property necessary for the profitable cultivation of said land, which investment shall be made prior to the reception of the donation from the State herein provided.

SECT. 4. There shall be chosen, annually, for the government of said asylum, seven trustees from the members of said corporation, four of whom shall be selected by the Governor and Council.

SECT. 5. The trustees shall elect, annually, one of their number to be president of the board. They shall appoint a clerk and treasurer, both of whom shall be sworn, and shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the trustees. The clerk shall record all proceedings of the board, and copies of their records certified by him shall be evidence in all cases in which the originals might be used. The treasurer shall be required to give suitable bond, and to renew the same whenever the trustees shall require.

Sect. 6. Upon the final execution of the purposes herein specified as the object of this incorporation, viz: the support and education of the orphans and half orphans of persons engaged in the service of the United States during the recent rebellion, said asylum shall continue the exercise of its corporate powers as an institution for the education and support of such orphans and half orphans of this State as the trustees, under the direction of the Legislature, may deem eligible to admission therein.

Approved February 23, 1866.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE.

An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. Section one is amended as follows, by striking out all after the word "the," in the eighth line, and the word "and," in the eleventh line, and inserting the words following, namely: 'military or naval service of the United States government on the quota of Maine, during the war for the suppression of the rebellion, and have died subsequently, or who from age, poverty or disease are unable to rear, maintain and educate any of such children,' so that the section, as amended, shall read:

'Section I. John Patten, George F. Patten, Charles Davenport, Oliver Moses, and J. P. Morse their associates, successors and assigns are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the trustees of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, for the purposes of rearing and educating, gratuitously, in the common branches of learning and ordinary industrial pursuits, the orphans and half orphans of officers, soldiers, seamen and marines who have entered the military or naval service of the United States government, on the quota of Maine, during the war for the suppression of the rebellion, and have died subsequently, or who from age, poverty or disease are unable to rear, maintain and educate any of such children, and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the duties and liabilities of like corporations in this State.'

SECTION 2. Section five is hereby amended, by adding the following: "The president, clerk and treasurer, shall act as a board of guardians of all the children who are members of said asylum, and shall have all the powers and authority granted by law to guardians, and shall be author-

ized to bind out, indenture, or give away for adoption, with the consent of their parents, any of the children under their custody, when in their opinion and judgment, it is deemed for the advantage and benefit of said children,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 5. The trustees shall annually elect one of their number to be president of the board. They shall appoint a clerk and treasurer, both of whom shall be sworn, and shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the trustees. The clerk shall record all proceedings of the board, and copies of their records certified by him, shall be evidence in all cases in which the originals might be used. The treasurer shall be required to give suitable bond, and to renew the same whenever the trustees shall require. The president, clerk and treasurer shall act as a board of guardians, of all the children who are members of said asylum, and shall have all the powers and authority granted by law to guardians, and shall be authorized to bind out, indenture or give away for adoption, with the consent of their parents, any of the children under their custody, when in their opinion and judgment it is deemed for the advantage and benefit of said children.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY THREE.

An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section six of chapter one hundred and sixty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Section 6. Upon the final execution of the purpose herein specified as the object of this incorporation, viz: the support and education of the orphans and half orphans of persons engaged in the service of the United States during the recent rebellion, said asylum shall continue the exercise of its corporate powers as an institution for the education and support of, first, the descendants of veterans who resided and served on the quota of Maine in the late Civil War; second, the orphans or half orphans of veterans residing in the State although not serving on the quota of Maine.'

Approved February 17, 1893.

BY-LAWS

OF'

BATH MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

- ARTICLE I. This association shall be called the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, the objects and designs of which are to afford a home, food, clothing and education for destitute orphan children of soldiers, sailors and marines in the late war of the rebellion, to put them in the ways of learning some useful trade or occupation, or otherwise provide for them till they have attained a suitable age to take care of themselves.
- ART. 2. Any person may become a member of this association, during its pleasure, by a vote thereof, and on the payment of twenty-five dollars, any one shall become a member for life, by a vote of the association to that effect.
- ART. 3. This association shall meet annually on the first Monday in January, public notice of which shall be given at least three days in one or more daily newspapers, at which meeting there shall be elected three gentlemen as trustees, and six lady visitors, not more than two (2) to be resident of the same town or city, who shall respectively hold their office until others are chosen to fill their place. The officers of the board of trustees shall be officers of the association, and seven members shall constitute a quorum.
- ART. 4. Special meetings of the association shall be held at the request in writing of five members, to be called by the president, or in his absence by the secretary, in the same manner as the annual meeting.
- ART. 5. The board of trustees shall consist of seven gentlemen, four appointed by the Governor and three to be chosen by the association at their annual meeting in January. They shall choose their own officers, fill vacancies that occur in their board, and also in board of lady visitors, during the remainder of the year, and make all needful by-laws and regulations, and three members shall constitute a quorum.
- ART. 6. The board of trustees shall have the control and management of all real estate, investments, personal securities and other funds belong-

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ing to the association, and shall exercise a general supervision over the asylum, and do all which its best interests, in their judgment, require, and report their doings in detail to the association at its annual meeting.

- ART. 7. The lady visitors are expected to visit the asylum from time to time, and carefully observe the condition and internal management thereof, reporting annually, in writing, to the trustees, on or before the 15th of December, the result of their inspection, and at any other time when they shall deem it desirable for the interest of the institution.
- ART. 8. These by-laws shall not be altered or amended, except at an annual or special meeting of the association, at which not less than ten members shall be present.
- Λ_{RY} , 9. All by-laws inconsistent or conflicting with the above are hereby repealed.

The above are as amended and adopted at the annual meeting of the association, January 7, 1884.

W. H. WATSON, Secretary.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Article one amended May 13, 1889, to read as follows:

ARTICLE I. The board of trustees shall meet on the first Monday of January each year for the purpose of organization. Stated meetings of the board shall occur quarterly on the second Monday of April, July and October at 7.30 o'clock P. M. Special meetings shall be had upon the written request of three trustees, by call of the president, or in his absence, of the secretary.

ART. 2. At each annual meeting the board shall elect, by ballot, a president, secretary and treasurer, and executive committee of three of its members, and a committee of one or more on reception and disposal of children, which committees shall continue to perform the duties charged upon them until their successors are elected. The executive committee shall have in charge all the interests of the asylum which are not otherwise provided for in these by-laws; shall make all necessary purchases, engage or dismiss assistants employed in the institution, see that needed repairs are made, and report their doings at each monthly meeting of the board, for its action thereupon. All bills against the asylum, with accompartying vouchers where possible, shall be required to be approved by a majority of the Executive Committee or by vote of the board at a meeting, before being paid by the treasurer. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Reception and Disposal of children to entertain any and all propositions which may be made for receiving such orphans or half orphans to the asylum as are entitled to its privileges, and to admit them to the institution, subject to the approval of the board at its next meeting. This committee shall also receive applications from parties desiring to adopt children who are full orphans, or to furnish homes for half orphans, to investigate the character of the applicants, and if found satisfactory, to so report at the next subsequent meeting of the board, when, if objection is not made by the surviving parent, the board may direct that such half orphans be placed in the proffered homes. No child shall be received to or removed from the asylum, except by approval of this committee or of the board of trustees, nor shall any half orphan be received or removed except upon the approval of its surviving parent.

ART. 3. At each quarterly meeting, or oftener, the lady visitors may make a report or statement to the trustees in reference to the asylum, and such action may be taken thereon as seems best. The report or statement shall be made in writing, dated and signed by the visitor or visitors.

- ART. 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all moneys collected for the association, pay orders drawn upon him under a resolution of the board or by the approval of the Executive Committee. He shall give a bond which shall be satisfactory to the trustees; shall invest or hold all funds under their direction; shall keep an accurate account of his receipts and payments in a book for that purpose, which shall be open to the inspection of the trustees; and shall make an annual report to them, and also the association, at their annual meeting.
- ART. 5. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board of trustees, and report the same at its meetings. He shall give notice in writing of all stated and special meetings of the board.
- ART. 6. These by-laws shall take effect from their adoption by the board. They may be altered or amended at a stated meeting by vote of a majority of the full board, notice having been given of the proposed alteration at a previous meeting.
- ART. 7. Previously adopted by-laws, inconsistent with the foregoing, are hereby repealed, and amendments to such by-laws, conflicting with these, are declared void.
- ART. 8. These by-laws, together with those of the association, and the statement of duties of employees, and regulations for government of the asylum, shall be read at each annual meeting of the board of trustees. They shall be conspicuously entered in the book of records, on pages set apart for them, and amendment or alterations shall be entered immediately after adoption, on pages reserved for that purpose following the entry of the by-laws.

The foregoing are as amended and adopted October 1, 1883.

W. H. WATSON. Secretary.

DUTIES OF EMPLOYES, AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

THE MATRON

shall be recognized as the head of the family, which will be understood as including the orphans of the asylum and its employes. Under the advice and direction of the trustees, she shall have control of all that appertains to the welfare of the inmates.

She shall keep, in a book used for that sole purpose, a record of each child received to the asylum; of its age, full name, previous residence, military or naval service of its father, and any other information she may be able to obtain respecting its previous history, that may be likely to be of future worth to such child. She shall also keep a record, or form available to the Trustees, of all children removed from the asylum to other homes, giving name, age and parentage, and the name and residence of the persons who received them. In case of the return of children who have been placed in other homes, she shall learn from the Committee on Reception and Disposal of Children, the alleged reasons for their return, and record them with re-entry of the child's name.

She shall keep a true account of the time and wages of employes, whose bills for services shall be audited by her before they can be paid.

She shall cause all children whose health permits, to attend some church and the Sunday-school connected therewith, at least once on each Lord's day. The previous religious training of the children shall be respected. They shall attend these services in charge of an employe or inmate of the asylum, to be designated by the Matron, or of some person selected therefor by the church at which the children attend.

She shall have power to temporarily suspend any employe for misdemeanor or disobedience of instructions, reporting such suspension at once to the Executive Committee, who alone shall have authority to make final disposition thereof.

In her temporary absence she may designate any employe to take her place, and such person will be the Acting Matron, and governed by the foregoing rules.

THE HOUSEKEEPER

shall be responsible to the Matron for the general cleanliness and order of the house; for the purchase, care and preparation of the food; for the proper performance of the laundry work, and for the conduct of the servants.

THE STEWARD AND GARDENER

shall have general oversign of the grounds and buildings; the care of the boilers and of the live stock, and of the out-door work, consulting with and being directed by the Matron and the Executive Committee.

As need may require, and the number of inmates may warrant, a detail of boys shall be made by the Matron to assist him and be instructed by him. These boys shall be under his order during the time designated by the Matron, and any insubordination or impropriety on their part will be promptly reported to her by him. In no case will he be permitted to administer punishment to any child.

OTHER EMPLOYES

will perform their respective duties as defined by the Matron, their right being recognized to state grievances of complaints directly to any member of the Executive Committee.

Employes will not be allowed at any time to absent themselves from the Home, without first receiving the consent of the Matron, and they will always when leaving the asylum, leave the keys of apartments in their charge with the Matron. They are not permitted to receive visitors at the asylum, except upon permission of the Executive Committee. This regulation is not to be construed as forbidding them to receive occasional callers.

It is a condition of engagement of employes, that they are to devote their entire time and attention to the duties required of them, and so much of these regulations as define those duties shall be read to them before they enter upon their work.

NO INMATES

of the asylum, except the Matron, Housekeeper, and Steward and Gardener, are permitted in the garden or stable except as before provided for the details of boys, unless by consent of the Matron or Gardener.

Doors will be locked and lights extinguished by ten o'clock, P. M., save by special commission otherwise, given by the Matron and approved by the Executive Committee.

Boisterous play or loud conversation inside, or with persons outside the house is positively forbidden.

PUNISHMENT.

While for the maintenance of proper discipline, punishment of some sort may be necessary, it should not be resorted to until kindly methods have been fully tried and found unavailing. And in any case, the Matron shall, on assuming her duties, receive instruction from the Executive Committee as to methods of punishment to be followed.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

of a character approved by the Executive Committee, shall be held at least once daily, under direction of the Matron, and shall be attended by all children not excused because of sickness or other absolutely necessary cause.

NEGLECT OF THESE DUTIES

or want of conformity of these regulations, on the part of any employe of the asylum, and persistence therein, will be regarded as sufficient cause for dismissal.

THESE RULES

shall go into effect from the date of their adoption by the Board of Trustees, and every employe shall be at once made acquainted with their requirements.

Approved and adopted October 1, 1883.