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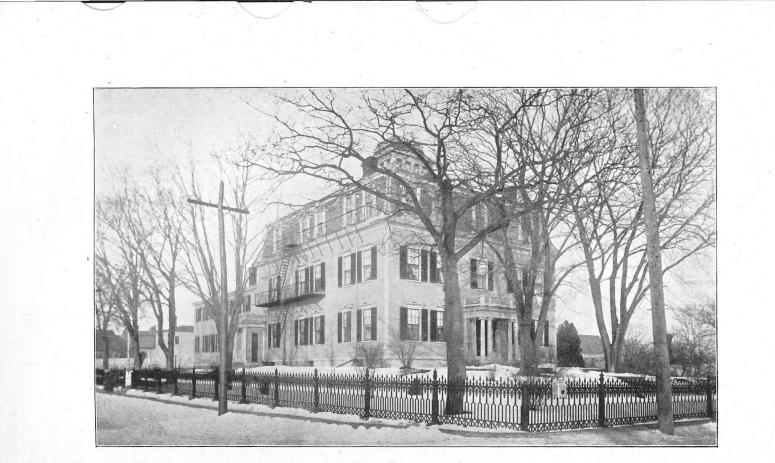
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

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

GENTLEMEN :---In presenting the annual report of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, the trustees review with pleasure the work of the past year.

On Jan. 1, 1905, there were 65 children in the home. During the year 25 have been admitted, and 26 have left, thus making the present number 64, 30 boys and 34 girls. Twenty-five of these are children of those who served in the Civil War, and 39 are grandchildren. The names, ages, and former residence will appear in the report of the committee on children.

The health of the inmates has been remarwably good during the year. There has been no epidemic, or severe sickness; and I desire once again on behalf of the trustees to express our approciation of the faithful and watchful care of the home physician, Dr. Charles A. Packard, as well as that of the matron, Miss E. F. Brown, in looking after the physical wants of the children.

It is with the deepest sorrow that we have to report the loss by death of one of the trustees, Mr. John M. S. Hunter of Farmington. Mr. Hunter had been a trustee for ten years, and during this time he had endeared himself to the other members of the board by his manly qualities, and they greatly appreciate his help from his interest in the institution. His wise council sound judgment, and uniform courtesy will be greatly missed at the meetings. At the last annual meeting it was voted to erect a monument on the lot in Oak Grove Cemetary, and a committee was appointed to attend to its erection. Two years ago Miss Fanny Rockwood of Augusta left as a legacy to the home, a sum sufficient for this object, so it was possible to erect the monument without applying any of the state funds received for the maintenance of the home. At the meeting in July, the chairman of the committee, Mr. W. H. Watson, reported the cost of the monument as follows:

Monument	\$650
Tablet	68
10 Headstones	120
Grading Lot	45
Total	\$883

This report was accepted.

On the afternoon of July 10th, the monument was dedicated with appropriate services. Short addresses were made by the trustees, Wm. H. Watson, H. A. Duncan, and J. O. Shaw, by Rev. D. B. Holt, and by three visitors, Mrs. Clara N. Sawyer of South Portland, Dept. Pres. of the Ladies of the G. A. R., Mrs. Alice S. Gilman of Oakland, Dept. Pres. of the National W. R. C., Mrs. Florence S. Wallace of China, Past Dept. Pres. of the State W. R. C. and by the President of the association. For a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures you are referred to the report of the treasurer.

The trustees desire to express their thanks to the following for courtesies received :----

To G. C. Greenleaf, Agent Eastern Steamboat Co., F. J. Hinckley, Agent Popham Beach Steamboat Co., and G. W. Bowie, Supt. L. B. & B. St. Ry. Co., for free excursions, to the ladies of John A. Hodge Relief Corps of Canton for a beautiful quilt, and to H. L. Chase & Co., J. C. Ledyard, Sedgwick Relief Corps, J. E. Conley of Bath, and to Mrs. Hattie Keyes and Mr. Alonzo Sylvester of Farmington, and Bosworth Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R. of Portland for donations received.

In behalf of the trustees,

SETH T. SNIPE.

Jan. 1st, 1906.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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

1905. DR. June 12, To received from State Treasurer August received from State Treasurer December received from State Treasurer balance appro- priation 1905	\$3,000 3,000 2,500	00		
Balance due Treasurer		- \$	8,500 80	00 50
CR.		1	\$8,580	50
January 1, By balance due Treasurer from last year December 30. expenditures for year 1905 as per vouchers Nos. 1 to 166 inclusive, viz: Pay roll	\$2,774 35 1,996 787 388 59 723 755 158 638 196 33 44 251	15 75 89 62 56 22 00 73 68 48 50 91 66	5,317 \$8,580	96

Special Repairs.

Dr. To appropriation for year 1905	\$500 00	
CR. By E. R. Buchman's bill painting Balance to next year		\$89 37 410 63
	\$500 00	\$500 00

Monument and Cemetery Fund (Fanny Rockwood).

1905.	DR. Taken from legacy of Fanny Rockwood of Augusta (\$932 00) by vote of trustees and appropriated to erection of a Monument and grading of Cemetery lot in Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath		\$883 00
May May June August	EXPENDED. 23, D. M. Melcher bill, monument 23, Torrey Roller Bushing Works, tablet 15, D. M. Melcher, small headstones 15, Cemetery and Park Board, grading and care of lot	\$650 00 68 00 120 00 45 00	
			\$883 00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN.

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Total number of children that have been in the Home in 1905.

Dunn, Eben	11	Oet.,	1899 Augustaljohn A. Dunn	
Doughty, Edward J	- 11			
Doughty, Edward J		Mar.,		
Danion, Gertrude	15		1903 Georgetown	
Davis, Clifford N	12	June,	1903 South Gardiner Francis A. Norton, grandtather Navy.	
Davis, Afton*	8		1903 South Gardiner Francis A. Norton, grandfather Navy.	
Elliott, Lilly	13	Aug.,		<u></u>
Elliott, James	12		1905 Turner	ВЛТ
Elliott, Flossie	11	Aug.,	1905 Turner	Н
Elliott, Flossie	10	Aug.	1905 Turner	
Follett, Mary E	14	Jan.	1837 Portland	امزا
Follett, Helen	12	Jan.	1897 Portland	- 11
French, David N *	9	April.	1904 Bath 19th Maine Infantry.	MIL,IT
French, James L	7	April	1904 Bath Isth Maine Infantry.	E,
Fuller, Frances*	ni	Mar.	1905 Bath	
Hasey, Agnes	15	July,	1898 Westbrook	
Hasey, Alice	15	July,	1898 Westbrook	RY
Hasey, Lillian	13	Oct.	1899 Westbrook	
Hawkins, Bertha M	10	Jan.	1905 Kowhegan	2
Kennedy, Fred G	10	Oct.	1900 Topshau	- 2
Manchester, John	10	Jan.	1900 Windham	- 8
McKeen, Inza	10	July.	1000 William Coupley Coupley and the Coupley Coupley Coupley Coupley	Ŭ
McCreslin, Amiziah W			1902 Phillips	2
	n	July,	1905 Wilbridge	
McMann, Julia*	7		1905 Bandolph Chomas B. McMann, grandfather 9th Maine Infantry.	-
McMann, Charles	3	Nov.,	1905 Randolph	
McCorrison, Earl	11	Sept.,		ΛŦ,
Manchester, Nina*	18	Aug.,	1905 Windham Edw. Manchester Ist Heavy Artillery.	
Patti, Clarence W	13	Nov.,	1896 Rockland	ORP
Palmer, Harvey C	14	May.,	1903 Auburn 5th Maine Infantry.	R
Palmer, Mary E	9	June,	1903 Princeton George W. Gates, grandfather 6th Maine Infantry.	3
Palmer, Margaret J*	7	June,	1904 Princeton	Н
Pullen, Edward	7	June,	1903 Palerino	1
Preston, Charles	7	April,	1905 Bowdoin	1
Roundy, Fannie*	16	Dec.	1896 City Point	
Roundy, Vallie*	15	Dec.	1896 City Point Adelbert Roundy	منا
Runnells, Florence	17	Jan.	1897 Bath 4th Maine Infantry.	Ś
Runnells, Etta Pearl	īi	Jan.	1897 Bath W. J. Runnells, grandfather 4th Maine Infantry.	YL
Reeves, Roscoe M	11		1900 Bradford	5
Robbins, Eleanor M	8	May.	1905 Bath	d
Robbins, Mary L.	5	May,	Bath	2
Spencer, Charlotte L	19	Juno	1899 Barton	•
Spencer, Janet W	17	June,	1398 Benton	
Spencer, Charles F	14	June,	1080 Denton	
Spearing, Helen T	13		1898 Benton	
opearing, neion 1	19	to une,	1899 South GardinerHollis Spearing, grandfather	

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Name.	Age.	Admitted.	Residence.	Father or Grandfather.	Service.
Spearing, Marshall Spaulding, Aldena Sherman Leo H Steadman, Alice Thorn, Verna A Thorn, Lenora. Thorn Alice D Williams Clara M* Williams, Vactor Tiden* Williams, Naud O * Williams, Ada E* Williams, Ralph H* Williams, Fred N* Williams, Lena G Watts, Julia* Watts, George, Jr.*.	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	June, 1903 Dec., 1903 Nov., 1904 June, 1905 June, 1905 Jan., 1902 Jan., 1902 June, 1904 June, 1904 June, 1904 Jan., 1904 Jan., 1904 Oct., 1905	Ectes Falls. Calais. Lewiston Bath Bath Buth Buth Brunswick Bowdoin Bowdoin Bowdoin Franklin Franklin Augusta Buunswick	Hollis Spearing, grandfather John D. Wardwell, grandfather John Sherman, grandfather George F. Steadman William L. Fogg, grandfather William L. Fogg, grandfather George Williams, grandfather George Williams, grandfather Henry F. Williams Henry F. Williams Albion Williams Albion Williams Charles S. Williams George J. Watts	 18th New Hampshire Infantry. 18th Maine Infantry. 18th Maine Infantry. 18th Maine Infantry. 18th Maine Infantry. 18t Unassigned. 18t Unassigned. 18th Maine Infantry. 19th Maine Infantry. 19th Maine Infantry. 28th Maine Infantry. 28th Maine Infantry. 28th Maine Infantry. 19th Maine Infantry. 18th Spanish War.

Total number of children that have been in the Home in 1905-Concluded.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN-1906.

The Total Number of Children that have been in the Home during the Year 1906.

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Name.	Age.	Admitted	. Residence.	Father or Grandfather	Service.
Mexander, Wm. F	12	Sept., 189	8 Togus	Wm. Alexander	12th Maine Infantry.
mes, Ruth H	12	Nov., 190	4 Southport	John F. Ames, grandfather	20th Maine Infantry.
Ames, Ernest E	11	Nov., 190	4 Southport	John F. Ames, grandfather	20th Maine Infantry.
dams, Edwin M		Mar., 190	4 Portland	Willard R. Merrill, grandfather	1st Maine Cavalry.
Austin, Althea		July, 190	5 Rockland	M. Woodman, grandfather	6th Maine Infantry.
Black, Flora		June, 189	7 Richmond	Daniel Black, grandfather	3d and 4th Maine Infantry.
Black, Annie E		June, 189	7 Richmond	Daniel Black, grandfather	3d and 4th Maine Infantry.
Bearce, Clara M	14	Sept., 190	2 Southport	Jesse Peirce, grandfather	Navy.
Bailey, Franklin P	8	Feb, 190	2 Wiscasset	Leroy M. Young, grandfather	20th Maine Infantry.
Burt, Frank L	10	Nov., 190	4 Augusta	Edwin Burt, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.
Brown, Ralph C	11	Oct., 190	6 Farmington	Jethro Brown	4th Maine Infantry.
Berry, Ira Earle		Nov., 190	6 Weeks Mills	John A. Rollins, grandfather	17th and 1st Heavy Artillery.
Berry, Meta Everline	5	Nov., 190	6 Weeks Mills	John A. Rollins, grandfather	17th and 1st Heavy Artillery.
Coleman, Jos. A		Aug., 190	0 Bowdoinham	M. C. Shepard, grandfather	17th Maine Infantry.
Coffin, Percy W		Dec., 190	I Brunswick	W. H. Coffin, grandfather	lst and 10th Maine Infantry.
Clark, Willie		Dec., 190	5 Old Town	Samuel Clark, grandfather	lith Maine Infantry.
Clark, Myrtle	10	Dec., 190	5 Old Town	Samuel Clark, grandfather	llth Maine Infantry.
Carey, Jas. F		Mar., 190	5 Bath	John F. Carey, grandfather	19th Maine Infantry.
Carey, Edwina		Mar., 190	5 Bath	John F. Carey, grandfather	19th Maine Infantry.
lark, Annie O			5 Hallowell		
Corren, John A			5 Phillips	Wm. Cofren	11th Maine Infantry.
Cochran, Mabel			6 Hallowell	Hiram Cochran, grandfather	
Dugan, Jas. Wm	. 13		7 Richmond		Navy.
Dunn, Minnie T		Oct., 189	9 Augusta	John A. Dunn	
Dunn, Eben				John A. Dunn	
Doughty, Edward J	. 10		0 Dresden		John Maine Infantry.
Damon, Gertrude	. 16	Oct., 190	2 Georgetown	Thos. Burnham, grandfather	Ist Maine Infantry.
Davis, Clifford			B So. Gardiner		
Elliott, Lilly	14		5 Turner	Elliott	40th Massachusetts.
Elliott, James			5 Turner	Elliott	40th Massachusetts.
Elliott, May			5 Turner	Elliott Elliott	Auth Massachusetts.
Elliott, Flossie	. 11	Aug., 196	5 Turner	Ennout	worn massachusetts.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	Residence.	Father or Grandfather.	Service.	
*Follett, Mary E	15	Jan., 1897	Portland	Wm. E. Follett	29th Maine Infantry.	
Follett, Helen.		Jan., 189		Wm. E. Follett		
French, Jas. L		April, 1904	Bath	David N. French, grandfather	19th Maine Infantry.	
*Flye, Leon	13	April, 1904	Exeter	Wm. J. Flye	9th Maine Infantry.	
*Hasey, Agnes	16	July, 1898	Westbrook	Washburn Hurd, grandfather	13th Maine Infantry.	
Hasey, Alice.		July, 1898	Westbrook	Washburn Hurd, grandfather	13th Maine Infantry.	
Hasey, Lillian	14	July, 1898	Westbrook	Washburn Hurd, grandfather	13th Maine Infantry.	
Hawkins, Bertha M		Jan., 190	Skowhegan	John W. Hawkins, grandfather	9th Maine Infantry.	
Hayden, Walter B	11	May, 1906	Hallowell	Greenleaf Hayden, grandfather	lith Maine Infantry.	
Hayden, Annie May	9	May, 1900		Greenleaf Hayden, grandfather	11th Maine Infantry.	
Hayden, Ernest	5		Hallowell		11th Maine Infantry.	
Hayden, Sumner			B Hallowell		lith Maine Infantry.	
Kennedy, Fred G	11	Oct., 190	Topsham	Benj Sedgley, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.	
Manchester, John	11	Jan., 1900	Windham	Edw. Manchester, grandfather	lst Heavy Artillery.	
McKeen, Inza	10	July, 190	Phillips	Ezra McKeen	list Maine Cavalry.	
McCreslin, Amaziah W		July, 190	5 Milbridge			
McMan, Chas		July, 190	5 Bath	Grandfather		
McCorrison, Earl	12	Sept., 190	Kenduskeag ,	Jas. McCorrison	6th Maine Infantry.	
Marr, Grace Paul	13	April, 1906	Bath	John W. S. Card, grandfather	21st Maine Infantry.	
Marr, Jas. Wm	12	April, 1906	5 Bath	John W. S. Card, grandfather	21st Maine Infantry.	
McCurdy, Agnes B		Oct., 1900	B Hallowell	John A. Rollins, grandfather	17th and 1st Heavy Artillery.	
McCurdy, Gertrude M		Oct., 1900	Hallowell	John A. Rollins, grandfather	17th and 1st Heavy Artillery.	
McCurdy, Guy L		Oct., 1906	B Hallowell	John A. Rollins, grandfather	17th and 1st Heavy Artillery.	
McCurdy, Edward		Oct., 190	Hallowell	John A. Rollins, grandfather	17th and 1st Heavy Artillery.	
McCurdy, Geo. L				John A. Rollins, grandfather		
*Omsby, Edw. Lee	12	Feb., 1906	Brunswick	. Orin L. Hoyt, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.	
*Omsby, Harold H	9	Feb., 1906	Brunswick	Orin L. Hoyt, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.	
*Patti, Clarence W	14	Nov., 1890	Rockland	Isaac T. Patti	2d Maine Cavalry.	
*Palmer, Harvey C	15	May, 1903	Auburn	. Jas. C. Harlow, grandfather	3d Maine Infantry.	
Palmer, Mary E	10	June, 1903	Princeton	. Geo. W. Gates, grandfather	6th Maine Infantry.	
Pullen, Edward	8			Alfred W. Pullen		
Preston, Chas.		April, 190	Bowdoin	Chas. Preston, grandfather	. 24th Maine Infantry.	
*Pendleton, Nellie				Chas. H. Pendleton		
*Reeves, Roscoe				John M. Reeves		
Runnells, Florence		Jan , 1897	Bath	W. J. Runnells, grandfather	4th Maine Infantry.	
Runnells, Etta Pearl	12	Jan., 189	Bath	W. J. Runnells, grandfather	4th Maine Infantry.	

Total number of Children that have been in the Home during the Year 1906-Concluded.

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Robbins, Eleanor M	9	May,	1905	Bath	
Robbins, May L				Bath Rufus Robbins, grandfather 4th Maine Infantry.	
*Robinson, Augusta	5	July,	1906	Woolwich Stilman N. Robinson, grandfather 28th Maine Infantry.	
Robinson, Henry S	3	Nov.,	1906	Bathlst Maine Cavalry.	
*Spencer, Charlotte L	20	June,	1898	Benton	-
*Spencer, Janet W	18	June,	1898	Benton	- 5
*Spencer, Chas. F.	15	June,	1898	Benton	بر
Spearing, Helen T	14	June,	1899	So. Gardiner	- 11
Spearing, Marshal	11	June,	1899)	So. Gardiner	
*Spaulding, Aldena	15	June,	1903	Edes Falls	~
*Sherman, Leo		Dec.,	1903	Calaisl5th Maine Infantry.	
Steadman, Alice	12			Lewiston	- 5
Starbird, Edw. E				Bath lst Heavy Artillery.	
Thorn, Verner A				Bath	شن ا
Thorn, Lenora	9	June,	1905	Bath	R
Thorn, Alice D	8	June,	1905	Bath	
*Williams, Ada				Bowdoin	
Williams, Ralph H				Bowdoin Henry F. Williams 19th Maine Infantry.	
*Williams, Maud	10			Bowdoin	- 2
*Williams, Albion L				Franklin Albion Williams	0
Williams, Lena G				Augusta Ihthere are a second and a second a seco	و
Williams, Martha)	9	Feb.,	1906	Augusta l9th Maine Infantry.	- 2
Williams, Goldie Eva	4	July,	1905	Searsmont	
	· • • <u>-</u> • •		::::	Bowdoin Henry F. Williams 19th Maine Infantry.	- 52
*Watts, Julia	7	Oct.,	1905	Brunswick Geo. J. Watts lst Spanish War.	- E
*Watts, George, Jr		Oct.,	1905	Brunswick Ist Spanish War.	
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The number of children in the Home January 1, 1906, 64; admitted and readmitted during the year, 30; total numbered some portion of the year, 34; provided with homes or taken by relatives, 31; number in the Home January 1, 1907, 63; girls, 27; boys, 36; children of veterans, 21; grandchildren of veterans, 42; average age, 10.20 years.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WATSON,

Chairman Committee on Children.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN-1905.

To the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum Association:

The number of children in the home :

Jan. 1, 1905 was	65
Admitted in 1905	25
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Total during the year	90
Provided with homes or taken by relatives	26
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Present number, Jan. 1, 1906	64

Of this number, 25 are children of soldiers or sailors of the War of the Rebellion; 39 grandchildren of Veterans.

Of the number admitted during the year,

15 are grandchildren of Veterans.

8 are children of Veterans.

2 are children of Spanish War Soldiers.

The usual good health of the children has prevailed, no serious sickness having occurred.

There is one matter that I would like to call to your notice, viz: That we should all be interested in, and use whatever influence we may have in the establishment of a school, for feeble minded in this state.

We have now in the Home, at least ten children, whose proper place is in such a school where they can have special care and training adapted to their condition.

While all is being done for them here that can be, under the circumstances, it is impossible to give them the special care and instruction needed. It is to be hoped our next legislature will see its way clear to make some provision for this class of unfortunates.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WATSON,

Chairman Committee on Children.

Bath, Jan. 1, 1906.

REPORT OF LADY VISITORS-1905.

To the Trustees of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, Bath, Maine:

DEAR SIRS:—It has been my privilege to visit the Asylum twice during the year of 1905—once in April and once in July. On each occasion I was again impressed, as in former years, with the good condition in which every thing about the buildings and grounds is constantly kept. The place is truly an ideal "Home."

I was also much gratified with the kindly bearing of the matron and assistants towards the little immates, and likewise with the good health and evident contentment and happiness of the children.

Indeed, it is apparent every year that the affairs of the institution are very faithfully looked after, and the state of Maine may well feel grateful to the conscientious men who have so constantly and consistently performed their duties as trustees, It may also very properly be a cause of just pride to the people of Maine that the state has so excellent a place for the rearing of the otherwise homeless children of her soldiers and sailors. The institution can but be regarded as a model to any state in the union. The lack of a home or school for feeble-minded children in the state of Maine, is. however, a deficiency the next Legislature should take means to meet. Such unfortunates, whatever their lineage, should be placed where the arrangements are made in view of the peculiar requirements of their condition. At present, if they are entitled to a place at the Military and Naval Asylum, there seems no alternative but to admit them.

I will repeat my wish expressed in last year's report, that descendants of soldiers of the Aroostook War be made eligible to entrance into the Asylum of Bath. The dedication of the monument on the Asylum lot in the public cemetery at Bath last July, was a very interesting occasion, one which will serve to make the year 1905 especially memorable.

The interest of G. A. R. organizations, and of the people generally in the Asylum, has seemed to be particularly noticeable the past twelve months. This leads us to expect the institution will be maintained for years to come, and will continue to furnish a good home in childhood for destitute descendants of the soldiers and sailors of Maine, even, it may be, to the third and fourth generation.

May the Asylum continue to be a true "Home" to all such needy ones,

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE E. P. KEYES.

Farmington, Dec. 30, 1905.

China, Dec. 26, 1905.

To the Trustees of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, Bath, Maine:

GENTLEMEN:—It is with great pleasure that I report three visits at the Home during the year, one in February, one in April, and one at the meeting of the Board of Trustees in July. At all times I found everything pertaining to the Home in most excellent condition and the management of the children especially pleased me. I feel to congratulate the Home on the handsome monument which was dedicated in July for the children, and which makes the resting-place of those who shall lie within its shadow, a credit to the deeds of their forefathers.

Very sincerely yours,

FLORENCE M. WALLACE.

South Portland, Dec. 28, 1905.

Mr. John O. Shaw:

My Dear Sir:—At the close of another year as lady visitor of the Bath Home it gives me pleasure to return thanks for the honor conferred a year ago in my appointment, to attend to the continued grand and honest work accomplished by the trustees and officers of the Home.

The courteous reception always accorded by the matron, Miss Brown, and her desire to please all and explain everything regarding the home, and her kindly concern in the welfare of the children under her care, is ever recalled with satisfaction and approval.

With such an interest in the Home and the children, the trustees should feel a pride and satisfaction, while our state may well point with equal pride, to the management by your honorable board of its affairs.

Again it gives me pleasure to donate to your funds such expenses as have been incurred in my visits during the year, and trust I have in a measure met your approval, and assuring you my future interest in the home, I am

Sincerely yours,

CLARA N. SAWYER.

Oakland, Me., Dec. 31, 1905.

To the Trustees of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum:

Gentlemen :—I have the honor to report that at the close of my official duties for the year, 1905, I find the Home to be in a condition of great excellence and efficiency. It has been my pleasant duty to make three official visits during the year, and on each occasion have found an increased interest and a greater power for good.

Especially do I feel it a pleasure to commend the work of our matron, Miss Brown, to her zeal, energy, and ability.

BATH MILITARY AND NAVAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

It is today in a position to do more for the needy wards of our Grand Army than ever before. In this noble work, may we all be ready and willing to do our part, and demonstrate the truth that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Loyally yours,

ALICE S. GILMAN.

Mr. John O. Shaw:

My visits at the Home this year, have never failed to give me both pleasure and profit. I am very favorably impressed with Miss Brown and think she is well fitted for the position. Now wishing the Home, and all connected with it, a Happy New Year,

I am sincerely,

MRS. A. B. HAGGETT.

Bath, Dec. 21, 1905.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT-1906.

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

GENTLEMEN :—In presenting the annual report of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum of Bath, the trustees are pleased to say the close of 1906 finds the institution in good financial condition, the inmates well and happy, and enjoying the life of the home as well as it is possible to do when separated from those who are, or should be their natural protector or guardian.

One year ago there were in the home sixty-four children; during the year thirty have been admitted, making the total number of children who have been inmates ninety-four; of these thirty-one have left, making the number in the home at present sixty-three. Of these twenty-one are children, and forty-two grandchildren of soldiers or sailors. Twenty-seven girls and thirty-six boys.

While the average number of inmates for the year has been sixty-four, we have had to clothe all those who at any time have been connected with the institution, as those who are brought there, as a rule have only the clothes which they wear at the time, and these often have to be discarded at once. Therefore the expense of maintaining the "Home," per capita is more than if they were regular inmates.

It is the endeavor of those who have charge of the institution, to make it as home-like for the children at possible, and if you could see their happy faces at the "New Year's Tree" and entertainment, you would be convinced our aim is accomplished.

The annual festival held on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 1906, was enjoyed by the children, as well as by many of their friends, who were present, including the trustees and lady visitors. The following programme was rendered by the children, after prayer by Rev. D. B. Holt of the Wesley M. E. Church.

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Christmas Fairie SongChorus of Children
Santa Claus SubstituteMartha Spearing
The Baby so Fair (Song)Alice Hasey and Chorus
What Makes ChristmasHenry Williams
The Pictures in the DreamMarion Dunn
Three Bad Little BoysEdward Doughty
Hebe's Christmas TreeAgnes McCurdy
A Christmas LullabyChorus
The Child of Prainis (Song)Eleanor Robbins
The Kitten's ChristmasHelen Spearing
The Very Best Kind of a Christmas TreeAlice Hasey
The Christmas Tree SongChorus

After the entertainment each child was remembered by receiving useful presents which were distributed by the trustees and lady visitors.

We were pleased to notice they were remembered not only by their relatives and the trustees, but also by Sedgwick Relief Corps of this city, Bosworth Circle Ladies of the G. A. R. of Portland, Mrs. Alice S. Gilman of Oakland, Past Department Pres. of the Woman's National Relief Corps, Mrs. James Perkins, and Mr. John E. Conley of Bath.

We wish also to express our thanks to Mr. G. C. Greenleaf, Agent of the Eastern Steamship Co., to Capt. F. J. Hinckley of the Popham Beach Steamboat Co., and to the managers of the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway Co. for free excursions during the summer.

We wish to convey to the lady visitors our appreciation of the interest they have shown in the institution, by their frequent visits and suggestions they have made.

We are still fortunate in retaining the valuable services of the Matron, Miss Eliza F. Brown, as well as her able assistant, Miss Nathalie E. Brown, whose watchful care and sympathy command the respect and secure the love of the children.

It is with sorrow that we have to report the loss by death of one of our associates on the board, Mr. John O. Shaw, whose death occured March 20th. The following resolutions presented and adopted at the quarterly meeting in April will testify to the esteem in which he was held by those who were associated with him on the board:

Resolved, That in the removal of Comrade Shaw, the Home loses an officer of marked ability and great value; the children a warm friend whose great heart went out in tender sympathy for the orphaned off-

spring of his former shipmates and comrades; the matron and employees a thoughtful and kindly advisor, and the Trustees an associate tried and trusted, in whose good judgment they could always rely, and who was ever thoughtful of the best welfare of the Home.

Resolved. That these resolutions be suitably inscribed upon a page of our records set apart for that purpose, and that a copy of the same be sent to his family.

During the years of service of the present trustees, we have had frequent occasions to notice the misfortune and possible harm of admitting to this institution, children of feeble mind. These children are sent with particular eagerness and become a possible source of contamination to the other children, and are themselves in part deprived of the training they especially need. When the time comes for them to leave the Asylum, it is very hard and sometimes impossible to obtain good homes for them. They are then at times obliged to remain in the home as servants, a misfortune for them and for us. It would seem to us the duty of the state to provide for these unfortunate children, in some special way as modern methods are capable of making them useful members of society if they can only have proper care and instruction.

The report of the treasurer Mr. H. A. Duncan, with a classified account of receipts and expenditures is appended, while an itemized account with voucher accompanying is placed on file.

Will also refer you to the report of Committee on Children, which gives the name and age of each child, and from where admitted, also report of lady visitors.

The trustees, having considered the subject, are of the opinion that the sum of \$8500 a year for running expenses and \$500 a year for repairs will be required for the years 1907 and 1908.

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.

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80 50		By balance from last year due treasurer By disbursements for maintenance of home for year 1906 as per vouchers numbered 1 to 180 inclusive, summarized as follows:
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	8 75	Freight trucking and hacking
	2,079 90	Provisions and groceries
		Milk and produce
1	485 30	Boots and shoes
ļ	$122 \ 37$	Books and stationery
	736 85	Dry goods and clothing Traveling expense children, trustees and lady
		Traveling expense children, trustees and lady
	77 40	visitors
	75 00	Water
	183 91	Light
	530 81	Fuel
1	90 01	Kitchen ware, furnishings and repairs
	39 45	Furniture
	142 20	Ordinary repairs
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Special Repairs.

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REPORT OF LADY VISITORS-1906.

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

It has been my privilege to visit the Home several times during the year, and the result has always been most pleasing. I have found it a pleasure rather than a duty, in fulfilling my appointment as Lady Visitor. I have found Miss Brown very proficient, and I think she is the right person in the right place.

Sincerely yours in F. C. & L.

MRS. A. B. HAGGETT.

Bath, Jan. 3, 1907.

Bath, Jan. 6, 1907.

Capt. W. H. Watson:

Dear Sir:—In making a report for the year 1906 I will say I have visited the Home several times, and have always been very cordially received, whether expected or otherwise. I think the Home an ideal one, and the management very fortunate in having such a refined lady matron. I have no suggestions at the present time.

Yours in F. C. & L.

JOSEPHINE C. CURTIS.

Oakland, Me., Dec. 29, 1906.

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

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to report that at the close of my official duties for the year 1906, I find the Home to be in a condition of great excellence and efficiency.

It has been my pleasant duty to make three visits to the institution during the year, and on each occasion, I have found an increased interest, and an augmented usefulness in the administration of its affairs.

I am proud that Maine maintains so excellent and beneficient an institution. Especialy do I commend the work of Miss Brown, whom I have always found ready and willing to show me over the Home and to explain about the work in every detail.

With the best wishes for the Home and its inmates,

I am sincerely yours,

ALICE S. GILMAN.

South Portland, Dec. 26, 1906.

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

Dear sirs:—As the year 1906 draws to a close, the duty of reporting the results of my visits to "The Home" for the year also comes. The regular visits have been made and several others with parties whom I have interested in this ideal home for the children of our brave men.

On all occasions have I found the Home in perfect order, scrupulously clean, and the children well and happy.

Very few suggestions need be made to place the Home in the front ranks of caretakers of those having a just claim upon our state, and these children are indeed fortunate in having such care during these early years which must result in their future good.

In the Matron, Miss Brown, we have all that can be required, and I trust her genial and patient services will be the good fortune of the Home for many years to come. In Mr. Duley, has the Home a valued servant worthy of much praise.

Having been a member of the visiting board for some years, I cannot close my report without reference to one of your board of trustees, with whom I have been associated, Hon. John O. Shaw.

I feel that his death is a loss to your board and to the Home, but trust the work he was so interested in will continue to demand of us, who regret his death and loss, more activity and a full realization of the great services rendered by the board of trustees.

Sincerely yours,

CLARA N. SAWYER.

China, Dec. 26, 1906.

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

Gentlemen:—It has been my pleasant duty to make two visits to the "Home" during the past year, and at both times, I have found everything about the place in perfect order. The appearance of the children also, was all that could be desired, indicating good care and a contented spirit.

For the matron, I have nothing but words of praise.

Thanking you for the appointment and assuring you of my constant interest in the "Home" whether officially or otherwise, I am,

Sincerely yours,

FLORENCE M. WALLACE.

Farmington, Me., Jan. 5, 1907.

To the Trustees of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum:

Dear Sirs:—It has been my privilege to visit the Asylum but once during the year 1906. I have, however, by one means and another, kept fairly cognizant of its condition, and have, as in former years, been much grantified to learn of the good work the institution is constantly doing. It is one of the establishments of our commonwealth for which I am very grateful and of which I am also proud. It is a credit to the state which supports it, and to the men who have so disinterestedly and faithfully administered its affairs these many years.

I trust that as the state of Maine by its maintenance of this home for needy children and grandchildren of the Civil War, has shown its appreciation of those who served the country in its time of need, so the state, as years go on, will be rewarded for its benevolence by the good citizenship of those it has in their tender years given such a beautiful home, and such kindly care. It can confidently be expected such will be the case. The physical, mental, and moral welfare of the children is so well looked after, that there can be no doubt the boys and girls of the "Home" will develop into very different people from what they might be if left in helpless orphanage to grow up amid unsuitable surroundings. Both gratitude and interest in the future welfare of the state, encourage the taxpayers of Maine to continue the support of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum. The wise policy of the past will, we doubt not, be continued as long as any of the children or grandchildren of those men of Maine, who have served the country on land or sea, are found lacking a proper home.

Thankful for the past history of the Bath Asylum and hopeful for its future,

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

MRS. H. E. KEYES.

A DEDICATION.

The handsome granite monument erected through the generosity of Miss Fanny Rockwood of Augusta, on the lot in Oak Grove Cemetery owned by the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, was dedicated July 10, 1905. The exercises were opened by a prayer by Rev. D. B. Holt, after which W. H. Watson delivered the following history of the Home:

"Most of you present are no doubt aware that the Orphans Home in this city originated with Mrs. C. A. L. Sampson whose life long devotion to the interests of the soldiers and sailors of the Rebellion and her exertions in behalf of their children is well known throughout the state. Through her persistency, a small house on Walker street was first taken with less than half a dozen children, supported by subscriptions and donations.

"Soon outgrowing this home through generous donations and state aid the present location was purchased and moved into in 1869, and there some 800 children have been provided for for a longer or shorter period, until provided with permanent homes or taken by relatives.

"The first act of incorporation provided for the orphans and halforphans of soldiers and sailors serving on the quota of Maine. In 1893 this act was amended to include the orphans and half-orphans of soldiers and sailors of the veterans residing in Maine though serving in the quotas of other states, also the orphans and half-orphans, grandchildren of veterans. Later the act has been further amended to include the orphans and half-orphans of soldiers and sailors of the Spanish War.

"How well the health of the children has been cared for is shown by the death rate; the first death having occurred in January, 1870; one other in December of the same year; one in 1871; one in 1874; three in 1877; three in 1882; two in 1886; one in 1887; one in 1896 and one in 1904, a total of fifteen in thirty-nine years. Eleven of this number are buried on this lot which I think was donated by the city of Bath.

"Until the present time it has remained unmarked save by the corner stones, the trustees having never felt warranted in diverting any portion of the appropriation for the maintenance of the Home for this purpose.

"Some two years since Miss Fanny Rockwood of Augusta, Me., died, leaving a legacy to the Home, a sum sufficient to accomplish that object without encroaching upon the state appropriations; and at the annual meeting of the trusees in January last a committee was appointed to select and procure a suitable monument and markers for the last resting place of our wards which we also consider as a memorial to the thoughtfulness of Miss Rockwood that has enabled us to accomplish the desired object.

"As chairman of the committee I submit the report of the expense as follows: Cost of monument, \$650; cost of tablet, \$65; cost of headstones, \$120; cost of grading lot, \$40; total, \$875."

For the citizens of Bath, H. A. Duncan made the following address:

"While detracting in no degree from the full credit to be given the man who shouldered the musket and 'who stood behind the gun' on the deck, there was another class, of whom but little is said, yet who bore a part as important as did they in the terrible struggle which decided the life of our nation. The man who through age, infirmity, disability or for other reasons, was prevented from going to the front, yet whose loyalty was as strong and patriotism as great as that of the soldier or sailor. The man who sacrificed his time, his energy, and his money, who tilled the soil, run the factory and furnished the 'munitions of war,' who, true to his pledge, cared for the families of the living, and the widows and orphans of the dead; who by voice and vote upheld the government, suffered in its defeat, and rejoiced in the victory of our arms in all the board field; the man with great heart, ever ready to respond to any call from any source, who places his all upon the altar of his country as truly as if he had marched to the front. He did what he could, and when the struggle ceased, and in our community, families by the score mourned the absence of the husband and father, these same people, the very large portion of whom now sleep peacefully around us, stirred by the appeals of a noble woman, and still feeling a debt of gratitude to those whose valor had won the day, contributed of their means, and made possible the establishment and maintenance of this Home, the beneficient work of which so touched the hearts of our Legislators that it was adopted as a state institution and placed under its patronage-a Home, unique in its management, and a model in its home life.

"The names of Patten, Davenport, Moses, Morse, Dike, Hyde, Nealley, Gannett, Bailey, Sampson, Putnam, Fuller, Stockbridge, Lincoln, and scores of others are inseparably associated with this institution as its founders and supporters. A lasting monument to their generosity and forethought.

"Realizing also that the youth as well as aged are called to the mysteries of the great beyond, they prepared this beautiful burial lot, a gift of the city of Bath, in this central and commanding position, for use when needed.

"The late kind remembrance of a lady of a neighboring city, has made it possible for us to erect this beautiful stone with its enduring tablet to perpetuate the memory of these children. And in behalf of the citizens, I now join with you in its dedication to the intended use.

"It is a remarkable fact and a matter of congratulation that of the large number of children who during its existence have been inmates of the Home, so few as these headstones indicate, have required burial at our hands.

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"We sincerely hope that the same good health may attend our children in the future as in the past, and that this lot may prove of sufficient size for the Home for many, many long years to come."

For the Navy, Hon. John O. Shaw, commander of Kennebec Naval Veterans, spoke as follows:

"This monument is erected to the memory of the children of those who served in the army and navy from 1861 to 1865, who were cared for by the state after their fathers had fallen in battle or had died from the effects of service in that great struggle. What better testimonial could be erected to show that the children of those patriotic men were properly cared for in life and death than is manifested by the Home and this monument which we dedicate today.

"It shows that the people of this state are true to the promises made to their fathers that their loved ones would be cared for when they went to the front to do battle for the preservation of the Union, for the supremacy of the Stars and Stripes, that not one star should be erased from its constellation.

"Years pass on. Generations come and go on the stage of life. This monument will ever be a reminder to the visitor that Maine was a guardian of the orphan and fatherless, made so by the sacrifice made by their heroic dead. The whispering pines over us stand as watchmen over the sleeping dead. Their waving branches breathe a silent murmur of sadness as we gather here. What a beautiful spot to to lay wating for a final resurrection—so quiet and pcaceful!

"Those who go down to the sea in ships have a spirit of romance about them. The Navy from the Revolutionary War to the present time has had it. The exploits of John Paul Jones, Decatur, Lawrence, Perry, Farragut, Porter, Winston and a host of others are romantic, historical and interesting. Time will not permit me to discuss them now. They will always be read with interest by every American boy or girl in the coming generations.

"Maine sent to the Navy over 5000 men, during that great war, so the Navy is represented in this memorial. The children of the soldier and sailor fare alike in the careful guardianship of her wards. The loyal hearts who have erected this granite monument, the rising generation will applaud as a striking monument of loyalty to the men who so bravely offered up their lives on their country's altar.

"'The good deeds left behind them

"'Will form a chain to bind them to us who linger here.

"'And oh! the loving of knowing

"'The good they've sown is growing

"'And the harvest from their sowing increase each circling year." This was followed by a response for the Army by Rev. D. B. Holt. The lady visitors also spoke as follows:

Mrs. Clara N. Sawyer of South Portland for the Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Alice S. Gilman of Oakland, president of the National W. R. C., for that organization, and Mrs. Freeman S. Wallace, past president of the State W. R. C., for that body. S. T. Snipe, who dedicated the monument, delivered the following address:

"Ladies and Gentlemen: We have gathered here this afternoon to dedicate this monument. We dedicate it not only in memory of the young lives that went out in yonder Home and whose bodies lie in this lot, but in memory also of those whom they represent, those who offered their lives on the altar of their country. Every man who enlisted in the Army or Navy during the Civil War, whether living or dead, offered his life for the sake of his country. Many laid down their lives on the field of battle, in the hospital, in prison pens, and around the guns of our men-of-war, yet there were many who returned to their homes and friends and lived to see the reward of their labor, in a united, happy and prosperous country, and that flag under whose folds they fought, waves, not only over the city, town and village from ocean to ocean and from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico, but also over the Islands in the Far East.

"It is fitting and proper that in any event of our lives and before entering upon any undertaking, we should seek the guidance of Him in whose hands are our lives and our destinies. I would therefore at this time call upon Rev. Mr. Holt to ask the Divine guidance and blegging (Prayer.)

"At the close of the Civil War there were many homes left desolate because of the husband and father who did not come back to care for those who looked to him for support. It was at this time the idea of establishing a home for orphan children originated in the mind of a lady of our city, one who had followed the soldier to southern battle fields and cared for the sick and wounded. We have here today one who was an officer in the regiment in which Mrs. Sampson, the founder of the Home, went to the seat of war, and who has been interested in its welfare from the first, and for more than twenty years has been one of its trustees, W. H. Watson."

Mr. Snipe closed the service with these words: "I dedicate the memorial in honor of mothers who bade their sons to brave deeds; I dedicate it in honor of wives who wept for husbands who should never come back again; I dedicate it in honor of children whose heritage is their fallen father's heroic name; I dedicate it in honor of men and women who ministered to the hurt and dying; I dedicate it to the memory of those who in the Navy guarded our inland seas and ocean coasts, and fell in defense of the flag; I dedicate it to the memory of those who in the Navy guarded our inland seas and ocean coasts, and fell in defense of the flag; I dedicate it to the memory of those who in the Army fought for our hillsides and valleys and plains and fell in defence of the flag; I dedicate it to the memory of those who on land and sea fought for the union and fell in defence of the flag, who on land and on sea fought for the authority of the Constitution and fell in defence of the flag, who on land and on sea fought for the flag."

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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, scamen 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 cat, 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-

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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 Aslyum.

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 hte 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 vererans residing in the State although not serving on the quota of Maine.'

Approved February 17, 1893.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND 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 I. Chapter one hundred and sixty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six is hereby amended by adding the following section:

'Section 7. The trustees are authorized and empowered, at their discretion, to admit to the Home, children or grandchildren of the veterans of the civil war when they have been deserted by either of their parents, also orphans or half orphans of veterans of the Spanish war who were residents of Maine, also orphans of any citizens of Maine, should the capacity of the Home, at any time, be more than sufficient to care for orphans eligible for admittance under the preceding section of this chapter.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1903.

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 the 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 belonging 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.

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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.

ART. 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.

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 of 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 committee 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 accompanying 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.

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 employees. 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 the 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 oversight of the grounds and buildings; the care of the boilers and of the livestock, 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 fobidding 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 to these regulations, on the part of any employe of the asylum, and persistence therein, will be regarded as sufficient cause for dismissal.

THESE KULES

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.