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EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE. No. 33. HOUSE.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT additional to promote the sale and settlement of Public Lands.

SECT. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House 2 of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That 3 the public lands, which now are or which may here-4 after be lotted for settlers, shall be sold only 5 to those who perform settling duties thereon, as 6 prescribed by law. And the Land Agent is requir-7 ed, by reference to the field notes of surveyors and 8 other agents, to determine the price of such lands, 9 not, however, at a less price than fifty cents per 10 acre; and he is authorized to receive three fourths 11 of said price within three years from the time of 12 such sale, in labor, to be expended in making roads 13 in such township, when the lands so sold are situ-14 ated under the direction of the Land Agent; and 15 the remaining fourth part in cash, within four years 16 from the time of such sale.

SECT. 2. Be it further enacted, That when-2 ever individuals, not exceeding twenty in number, 3 shall each select a lot of one hundred and sixty 4 acres of land, in any township belonging to the 5 State, and which may be lotted for settlers, and 6 shall give bonds satisfactory to the Land Agent, 7 that they will, within the term of three years from 8 the time of said selection, erect in a proper and sub-9 stantial manner, a saw mill and grist mill, on such 10 lot, within said township, as shall be designated by 11 the Board of Internal Improvement, the same shall 12 be entitled to a deed of such lot, and each individ-13 ual shall receive a deed of the Land Agent for his 14 respective lot, without any further consideration; 15 conditioned, however, to be void if the settling du-16 ties on such lots required by law, shall not be per-17 formed.

SECT. 3. Be it further enacted, That the Land 2 Agent is hereby authorized to sell timber upon 3 lands belonging to the State, at public sale in his 4 discretion, upon such terms and conditions as are 5 now required by law. an early started and the second second second

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 21, 1838. Laid on the Table and three hundred copies Ordered to be Printed.

> (Extract from the Journal.) GEO. C. GETCHELL, Clerk.