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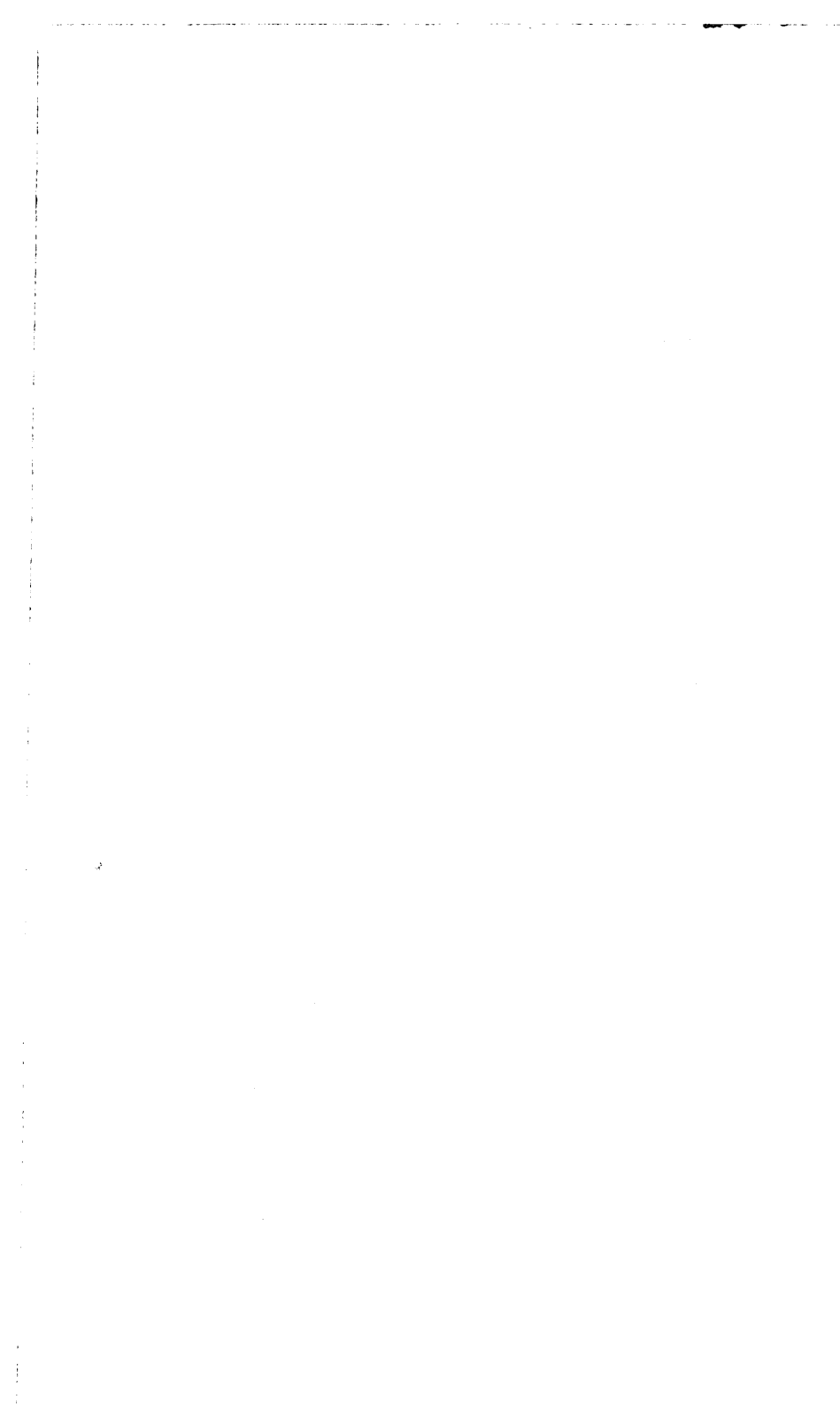
RELATING TO THE

**PASSAMAQUODDY INDIANS.**

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# STATE OF MAINE.

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

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## AN ACT additional to an Act relating to the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

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SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and  
2 House of Representatives in Legislature  
3 assembled, That the Agent or Agents of the  
4 Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, be, and here-  
5 by are, authorized to sell and dispose of, to the  
6 best advantage, either at public or private sale,  
7 of timber and grass from Township number  
8 two, on the St. Croix River, usually called the  
9 Indian Township, to the amount of one thou-  
10 sand dollars, annually.*

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, That it  
2 shall be the duty of said Agent or Agents, to  
3 retain a lien upon the timber and grass so cut,  
4 until the amount due for stumpage thereon is  
5 paid.*

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of said Agent or Agents, to furnish the said tribe of Indians, in the months of April and May annually, so many potatoes and other seeds, and implements of husbandry, as may be necessary for their agricultural purposes, not exceeding in value two hundred dollars, and he shall render a certified account to the Legislature, of the quantity of each article so delivered, and shall also procure a certificate signed by two of the principal merchants of Eastport, that the prices charged for said articles, were the cash market value of the same at the time of delivery.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the said Agent or Agents are hereby authorized and directed to pay the Governor of said tribe, upon requisition made in their usual mode and form, the sum of three hundred dollars, in money, annually, for the use of said tribe.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of said Agent or Agents, to purchase with cash in Boston or New York, annually, in the months of November or De-

5 cember, for the use of said tribe, and to be  
6 delivered to them at Eastport, in equal propor-  
7 tions, according to the number of each family,  
8 after the first day of January in each year,  
9 twenty-five barrels of superfine flour, four bar-  
10 rels of clear pork, four hundred pounds of hog's  
11 lard, and so much Indian corn, as will amount  
12 in the aggregate, to the sum of five hundred  
13 dollars ; and the invoice and delivery of said  
14 merchandize, shall be certified as is provided in  
15 section third.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That the  
2 Agent or Agents aforesaid, shall be entitled to a  
3 commission of five per cent. for disposing of  
4 and collecting the amount of sales of lumber  
5 and grass, and a commission of five per cent. on  
6 all monies disbursed by him or them, for the  
7 purchase and distribution of seeds and merchan-  
8 dize, as provided by this act, and no more ;  
9 *Provided however,* That if it become necessary  
10 for said Agent or Agents to proceed to said  
11 Township, for the purpose of securing of timber  
12 cut by trespassers, or for surveying of timber,  
13 then, and in that case, he shall be entitled to

14 receive three dollars per day, so long as he shall  
15 be actually employed, in full for such service.

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted,* That inas-  
2 much as the said tribe have received from  
3 the hands of the Agent, the full amount due  
4 them from him for the year one thousand eight  
5 hundred and thirty-nine, in advance: *There-*  
6 *fore,* the sum of one thousand dollars be,  
7 and is hereby appropriated, to be paid to  
8 the Agent of said tribe from the Treasury of  
9 the State, for the purposes of this act; but the  
10 articles of merchandize set forth in the fifth sec-  
11 tion of this act, shall not be delivered until after  
12 the first day of January next.

SEC. 8. *Be it further enacted,* That if at  
2 any time the said Agent or Agents shall have  
3 money in his or their hands belonging to said  
4 tribe, exceeding one hundred dollars, he or they  
5 shall deposit the same in some one of the  
6 Banks in the County of Washington, at such  
7 rate of interest as may be agreed upon, until  
8 required for the purposes of this act: and it  
9 shall be the duty of the said Agent or Agents,  
10 to transmit his or their accounts to the Legisla-



11 ture, annually, for approval and adjustment; and  
12 the amount of commissions and expenses men-  
13 tioned in the sixth section of this act, shall be  
14 allowed and paid from the Treasury of the  
15 State.

SEC. 9. *Be it further enacted*, That all acts  
2 and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, be,  
3 and are hereby repealed.

# STATE. OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 14, 1839. }

Read twice, laid on the table, and 300 copies ordered  
to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

CHARLES WATERHOUSE, *Clerk.*