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# STATE OF MAINE.

LAND OFFICE, }  
Augusta, Jan. 31, 1843. }

To the Hon. DAVID DUNN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

SIR:—In compliance with an order of the House of Representatives of the 25th instant, I herewith transmit an account of the receipts and expenditures of the Land Department, from the year 1820 to 1842, inclusive.

A part of the records of the Land Office having been destroyed by fire in 1833, the account cannot be relied upon as strictly correct.

I have taken the tabular statements in the report made by the Land Agent to the Legislature, March 15, 1841, and compared them with the accounts in this office as far as practicable. I have also compared the accounts with the records of the Treasury Department, and find the amount charged as paid into the Treasury, prior to the year 1834, to be \$51,940 75 more than was credited by the Treasurer during the same time; subsequently, the amount charged on the books of the Land Office, as paid into the Treasury, is *less* than the credits on the Treasurer's books, by \$33,806 33, leaving a difference of \$18,134 37. The excess of credits by the Treasurer was received in payment of notes given for land, which had been left with the Treasurer by the Land Agent, and leads to the conclusion that the excess charged (\$51,940 75) prior to 1834, was in notes, and that the Treasurer gave credit for cash only, and in after years credited whatever was paid on the notes.

The account shows the gross amount of the receipts of the Land Office to be,

Office to be,	.	.	.	.	\$753,299 39
Payments into the Treasury,	.	.	.	.	576,957 68
Expense of surveys, road-making, &c. &c.,					176,341 71

## LAND OFFICE.

The Treasurer's books show that the sum received in cash into the Treasury from public lands, is \$558,823 31

Paid out of the Treasury—		
For expense of Roads,	\$80,673 27	
Land Agency,	24,451 05	
Commissioners under the act of separation,	9,370 79	
Surveyor General's Department,	24,381 86	
	<hr/>	138,876 97
Balance in favor of the State,		<hr/> \$419,947 34

The amount due the State is not exhibited in this statement, but is additional to the above, and will be seen in the Agent's report to the Governor and Council of December 31st, 1842.

L. BRADLEY, *Land Agent.*

AN ABSTRACT of the cash transactions of the LAND OFFICE, from the separation of Maine from Massachusetts, to the thirty first day of December, 1842, inclusive.

RECEIPTS.

Prior to 1834.	Sales of land,	\$65,226 32	
" "	" timber,	12,482 46	
" "	All other sources,	202,554 77	280,263 55
1834.	Sales of land,	5,720 15	
" "	" timber,	416 34	
" "	All other sources,	16,302 12	22,438 61
1835.	Sales of land,	66,277 32	
" "	" timber,	1,114 51	
" "	All other sources,	85,145 98	152,537 81
1836.	Sales of land,	978 49	
" "	" timber,	1,147 00	
" "	All other sources,	51,181 22	53,306 71
1837.	Sales of land,	1,276 00	
" "	" timber,	97 00	
" "	All other sources,	20,738 48	22,111 43
1838.	Sales of land,	154 48	
" "	" timber,	9,367 64	
" "	Bills receivable, prin.	11,296 74	
" "	" " int.,	4,166 97	
" "	Bills of cost,	13 74	
" "	Geo. W. Coffin,	2,510 36	27,509 93
1839.	Bills receivable, prin.	13,768 32	
" "	" " interest,	6,709 16	
" "	Sales of land,	213 30	
" "	" undivided land,	5,226 46	
" "	Trespass,	60 00	
" "	Geo. W. Coffin, } on account, }	2,402 41	
" "	Sales of oxen,	476 00	
" "	Sales of timber,	1,512 70	
" "	Sales of timber, cut } on undivided land, }	5,610 57	
			35,978 92

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AN ABSTRACT of the cash transactions of the LAND OFFICE, &c.  
RECEIPTS, (CONTINUED.)

1840.	Bills receivable, principal,	\$30,357 96	
"	" " interest,	6,557 93	
"	Sales of land,	60 00	
"	" undivided land,	7,489 35	
"	" timber,	4,540 26	
"	" " on undiv'd land,	691 68	
"	Trespassers,	26 50	
"	Globe Bank,	2,241 64	
"	John Fiske,	604 84	
"	Geo. W. Pickering,	971 05	
			53,541 21
1841.	Balance from last year,	170 66	
"	Sale of trespass timber, &c.,	4,584 98	
"	Rufus McIntire,	650 00	
"	Shepard Cary, for bal. of act.	92 82	
"	Sales of land,	83 55	
"	Forfeited land,	1,092 91	
"	Bills receivable, principal,	42,860 08	
"	" " interest,	6,201 58	
"	Timber,	16,794 47	
			72,536 05
1842.	Balance from last year,	3,219 58	
"	Trespass timber,	900 00	
"	Forfeited land,	355 83	
"	Resolve in favor of O. Har-		
	wood, }	100 00	
"	Sales of land,	7,935 73	
"	Bills receivable, principal,	6,808 57	
"	" " interest,	3,654 48	
"	Timber,	1,320 91	
"	" on undivided land,	2,774 94	
"	School Fund,	61 87	
"	Bills of cost,	4 20	
"	James Rogers, on account,	600 00	
"	Clay Dinsmore & Co., on act.,	1,000 00	
"	Thomas J. Grant, an act.,	4,300 00	
"	Daniel White, on act.,	2,500 00	
"	Zebulon Ingersoll, for bal-		
	ance of account, }	25 49	
"	Hill Lane, for balance of }		
	account, }	370 87	



AN ABSTRACT of the cash transactions of the LAND OFFICE, &c.  
RECEIPTS, (CONTINUED.)

1842. Geo. W. Coffin, on act.,	\$532 89	
Total receipts,	36,465 36	
Amount of cash included } in sundry funds,	12,703 52	
		49,168 88
		<u>769,393 15</u>
The following sums being deducted, shows the actual receipts into this office, viz :—		
Balance of cash in 1840,	170 66	
“ “ 1841,	3,219 58	
Cash embraced in sundry funds.	12,703 52	
		16,093 76
		<u>\$753,299 39</u>

AN ABSTRACT of the cash transactions of the LAND OFFICE, from the separation of Maine from Massachusetts, to the thirty first day of December, 1842, inclusive.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Prior to 1834.	Expenses,	\$35,993 31	
" " "	Roads, &c.,	14,394 61	
" " "	Treasury,	229,875 63	
			\$280,263 55
1834.	Expenses,	3,851 02	
" " "	Roads, &c.,	3,658 44	
" " "	Treasury,	14,929 15	
			22,438 61
1835.	Expenses,	5,364 93	
" " "	Roads, &c.,	4,774 87	
" " "	Treasury,	142,398 11	
			152,537 81
1836.	Expenses,	3,445 22	
" " "	Roads, &c.,	4,150 62	
" " "	Treasury,	45,710 87	
			53,306 71
1837.	Expenses,	1,796 38	
" " "	Roads, &c.,	7,803 05	
" " "	Treasury,	12,512 05	
			22,111 45
1838.	Postage,	38 58	
" " "	Scaling timber,	213 70	
" " "	Trespases,	372 35	
" " "	Bills of cost,	366 52	
" " "	Assistant Land Ag't,	1,000 00	
" " "	Charges,	1,235 60	
" " "	Surveyors of land,	50 00	
" " "	Abatements, &c.,	51 13	
" " "	Madaceunk road fund	} 32 91	
" " "	interest transferred,		
" " "	Road fund, amount	} 11,895 49	
" " "	transferred,		
" " "	Office rent,	100 00	
" " "	State Treasury,	7,075 72	
" " "	John Hodgdon and	} 5,077 93	
" " "	Geo. W. Coffin, on account,		
			27,509 93

AN ABSTRACT of the cash transactions of the LAND OFFICE, &c.  
DISBURSEMENTS, (CONTINUED.)

1839.	Postage,	\$38 46	
"	Office rent,	80 83	
"	Scaling timber,	631 27	
"	Bills of cost, &c.,	32 16½	
"	Incidental charges,	235 41	
"	Pension lands,	75 26	
"	Trespassers,	157 57	
"	Assistant Land Agent,	1,055 55	
"	Surveys of land, &c.,	177 02	
"	Road fund, am't transferred,	3,877 74	
"	State Treasury,	29,617 64½	
			35,978 92
1840.	Postages, office rent, scaling timber, &c.,	1,995 39	
"	Surveys of land, assistance, &c.	2,972 68	
"	Road fund, am't transferred,	4,964 29	
"	State Treasury,	31,404 97	
"	Geo. W. Coffin,	03	
"	Civil posse,	12,633 19	
"	Cash on hand,	170 66	
			53,541 21
1841.	Postage,	40 08	
"	Office rent,	110 42	
"	Charges, and bills of cost,	1,632 22	
"	Clerk hire,	936 72	
"	Scaling timber,	2,610 95	
"	Surveys of land,	1,184 39	
"	Commissioners on claims,	315 39	
"	Civil posse,	5,857 37	
"	Sefroi Nadeau,	300 00	
"	Samuel Dow,	382 50	
"	Aroostook road,	8,274 54	
"	Transferred to road fund,	1,647 79	
"	" school fund,	100 00	
"	Transferred to public lots, No. 2, R. 2, T. S.,	94 99	
"	State Treasury,	41,028 46	
"	Due from Massachusetts,	4,800 65	
"	Cash on hand,	3,219 58	
			72,536 05
1842.	Postage,	38 30	
"	Office rent,	106 25	

AN ABSTRACT of the cash transactions of the LAND OFFICE, &c.  
DISBURSEMENTS, (CONTINUED.)

1842.	Charges for incidental expe's,	\$653 84	
"	Clerk hire,	850 00	
"	Scaling timber,	1,011 62	
"	Surveys and exploration,	1,844 77	
"	Scaling timber on undivided land, &c.,	1,347 70	
"	Agency at Fish river, &c.,	311 93	
"	Abatements,	18 88	
"	Rufus McIntire,	246 92	
"	Silas Barnard,	578 90	
"	John B. Wing,	175 00	
"	State Treasury,	22,405 07	
"	H. W. Cunningham,	200 00	
"	Committee on Township No. 3, R. 13,	373 00	
"	Zebulon Ingersoll,	40 00	
"	Road fund, am't transferred,	3,324 53	
"	School fund, " " "	7,206 88	
"	P. C. Johnson, copying ac- counts of civil posse, &c.,	458 71	
"	Cash on hand,	7,976 58	
			49,168 88
			769,393 15
The following sums being deducted, shows the expenditures, viz :—			
	Balance of cash in 1840,	170 66	
	" " " 1841,	3,219 58	
	Cash expended belonging to sundry funds,	4,726 94	
	Cash on hand, December 31, 1842,	7,976 58	
			16,093 76
			<u>\$753,299 39</u>

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 3, 1843. }

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the use of the Legislature.

WM. T. JOHNSON, *Clerk.*