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[HOUSE.

INCORPORATION OF TOWNS

AND

BOUNDARIES OF COUNTIES.

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STATE OF MAINE.

Secretary's Office, Augusta, February 11, 1843.

To the House of Representatives :

In obedience to an Order of the House of Representatives, under date of the 4th instant, I herewith transmit a statement "showing the names of all the towns that have been incorporated by the Legislature since the publication of Greenleaf's Map in 1828, exhibiting the several dates of their incorporation, the counties in which they are now situated, and the names, or designations, by which they were severally known and marked on Greenleaf's Map. Also a statement of the present boundaries of those counties that have been formed since the publication of said Map, with such other changes as, from a careful and thorough examination of the Map aforesaid, and of the acts of the Legislature, I have been able to find to have been made in county lines, since that time"—as also the changes that have been made in the names of towns incorporated prior to the above date, since the publication of Greenleaf's Map.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

PHILIP C. JOHNSON, Sec'y of State.



Towns incorporated since 1828.

Date of incorporation.	Towns.	Counties.	Names by which they were designated on Greenleaf's Map.
March 6, 1830,	Acton,	York,	West part of Shapleigh.
	North Berwick,	"	East part of Berwick.
February 24, 1842.	Auburn.	Cumberland,	" " Minot.
March 18, 1841,	Casco,	"	Northerly part of Raymond.
" 4, 1834,	Naples,	"	Parts of Otisfield, Harrison, Bridgton, Sebago and Raymond.
February 17, 1841,	Arrowsic.	Lincoln,	Arrowsic Isle—a part of Georgetown.
	Townsend,	"	Part of Boothbay.
March 7, 1840,		"	North part of Lisbon.
February 1, 1831,		Hancock,	Plantation No. 27, or Richards.
" 5, 1831,		"	" 26, or Mariaville north.
March 16, 1830,		"	Part of Mt. Desert, known by the names of Great Cranberry,
, ,	,		Little Cranberry, Sutton's and Baker's Islands.
February 7, 1837,	Dedham,	"	The unincorporated part of No. 8.
	Eastbrook,	"	Township No. 15.
January 29, 1834,		"	" " ₃₈ .
February 29, 1836,		"	" 20 or Mariaville plantation.
March 19, 1835,		"	Eastern part of township No. 8, or Otis plantation.
" 8, 1833, [*]		"	A part of Mount Desert.
January 29, 1833,	Waltham,	"	Parts of townships No. 14 and 20.
" 31, "	Beddington,	Washington,	Township No. 23, or Beddington plantation.
	Chesterville,	"	" " East Division.
February 3, 1832,	,	"	S. W. part of Jonesborough.
January 31, 1834,		"	Plantation No. 13, E. Division.

^{*}Formerly Hampton, name changed February 6, 1833.

Towns incorporated since 1828.

Date of incorporation.	Towns.	Counties.	Names by which they were designated on Greenleaf's Map.
February 20, 1841,	Medybemps,	Washington,	Parts of Baring, Charlotte and Cooper.
March 21, 1838,	Northfield,	"	Township No. 24, E. Division.
February 4, 1832,	Pembroke,	"	East part of Dennysville.
	Princeton,	"	Township No. 17, E. Division.
· 24, 1838,		"	" " 8, 2d Range.
January 24, 1833,	Wesley.	"	" 25 and South part of No. 26, E. Division.
March 16, 1842.	Sebasticook.	Kennebec.	Part of Clinton.
January 24, 1833,	Byron.	Oxford,	Township No. 8.
February 27, 1829,	Oxford.	"	S. W. part of Hebron.
March 17, 1835,	Roxbury,	"	Township No. 7.
January 28, 1833,	Stowe.	"	Fryeburg Addition and a strip north.
" 31, 1834,	Usher.*	"	Part of Fryeburg Academy Grant and Batchelder's Grant.
February 8, 1834,	Cambridge,	Somerset,	N. W. part of Ripley.
	Lexington,	. "	Township No. 2, 1st range, W. side Kennebec river.
	Mayfield,	"	" 2, 2d range, E. side Kennebec river.
February 29, 1840,	Smithfield.	"	East Pond plantation and parts of Mercer and Dearborn.
	Argyle,	Penobscot,	E. part of Argyle plantation.
	Bradford,	`**	Plantation Blakesburg.
February 3, 1835,	Bradley,	"	Township No. 4, E. side of Penobscot river.
March 18, 1832,	Burlington,	ç.c	" " 2, 1st range, N. Bingham Purchase, E. side Penobscot river.
February 26, 1834,	Chester.	"	River township No. 1, 8th range, W. Penobscot river.
January 31, 1835,		"	" " 1, 6th " " "
" 31, 1835,		"	Treat's tract and remaining part of river township No. 1, E. side Penobscot river.

February 28, 1834,	Greenbush,	Penobscot,
" 11, 1832,	Lagrange,	**
January 30, 1829,		"
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February 9, 1837,	Lowell,†	"
March 8, 1839,	Mattamiscontis,	"
February 28, 1833,		"
March 16, 1840,	Old Town,	4,6
January 31, 1835,	Passadumkeag,	"
April 16, 1841,	Patten,	
January 28, 1831,	Stetson,	"
February 12, 1834,		"
	Appleton,	Waldo,
" 31, 1882,	Almond, Í	Piscataquis,
February 8, 1834,	Barnard,	"
March 4, 1838,	Bowerbank,	"
" 17, 1831,	Blanchard,	"
February 19, 1832,	Eliotsville,	"
		"
	Kingsbery,	"
" 4, 1834, [*]	Shirley,	"
	Wilson,	"
January 29, 1836,		Franklin,
March 19, 1836,	Amity,	Aroestook,
February 11, 1832,	Hodgdon,	65

Township No. 2, E. side of Penobscot river.
Plantations Oxford and Hammond.
River townships No.'s 2 and 3, and grant to the proprietors
of Foxcroft.
Half township No. 1, 1st range, N. of Bingham Purchase.
North part of Howland.
Township No. 3, East side of Penobscot river.
North part of Orono.
Township No. 1, East side of Penobscot river.
Township No. 4, 6th range.
Stetson plantation.
Township No. 5, 2d range, N. of Bingham Purchase.
Plantation Appleton.
Township No. 1, 6th range.
West part of Williamsburg.
No. 7, Sth range or Bowerbank.
Township No. 3, range 3 of the Bingham Purchase.
Township No. 8, range 9, N. of Waldo Patent.
Haskell plantation.
Township No. 3, range 2, East of the Kennebec river.
Township No. 3, range 4, Bingham Purchase.
Township No. 9, range 9, N. of Waldo Patent.
Plantation No. 1, 1st range.
f Township No. 10, 1st range from the East line of the
State .
Grant to Groton Academy.

^{*}Formerly Stoneham, name changed February 19, 1841. †Formerly Huntressville, name changed March 22, 1838. †Formerly Milton, name changed February 19, 1841.

Towns incorporated since 1828.

Date of incorporation.	Towns.	Counties.	Names by which they were designated on Greenleaf's Map.
" 21, 1839, " 18, 1837, " 7, 1839,	Houlton, Linneus, Masardis, New Limerick, Smyrna,	Aroostook,	Plantation Houlton. Township Linneus. Township No. 10, 5th range on the Aroostook river. A part of New Limerick plantation. Township No. 6, 3d range West of the East line of the State. Hampton Academy Grant.

Names of towns incorporated previous to the publication of Greenleaf's Map, whose names have been changed since that time.

Date.	Towns.	Counties.	Original Names.
March 12, 1830, February 28, 1834, March 18, 1837, " 25, 1836, " 18, 1841,	Machias, Salem, Glenburn, Skowhegan, Detroit.	Washington, Somerset, Penobscot, Somerset,	West Machias. North Salem. Dutton. Milburn. Chandlerville.

Note.—All that part of the town of Berlin, in the county of Franklin, lying east of the line which divides the fourth and fifth ranges of lots in said town, making a strip three miles wide, was set off from said town of Berlin and annexed to and made part of the town of Phillips, and the act incorporating said town of Berlin, so far as it relates to the remaining part was repealed March 17, 1842. An act incorporating the town of Dearborn, county of Kennebec, passed in 1812, was repealed April 20, 1841.

Boundaries of counties formed since 1828, and changes in county lines since that time.

The boundaries of the County of Piscataquis—established by an Act approved March 23, 1838, to take effect from and after the last day of April following—are as follows, viz:

Including all that portion of territory lying north of the south lines of Parkman and Wellington, in the county of Somerset, and lying north of the north lines of the towns of Dexter, Garland, Charleston, Bradford, and south line of Kilmarnock, in the county of Penobscot; and bounded east by the east lines of Milton, Kilmarnock, and townships numbered four in the eighth and ninth ranges; and thence bounded east by a line running north from the north east corner of said township numbered four in the ninth range, to the north line of the State; and bounded on the west by the west lines of Wellington, Kingsbery, Shirley, and township number two in the the fifth range; and thence bounded west by a line running north, from the northwest corner of said township number two, to the Kennebec river; thence up and by the southerly bank of said river to Moose Head Lake; thence bounded westerly, by the westerly margin of said lake, to the northwest angle of said lake; and thence bounded west by a line running north, to the north line of the State.

The boundaries of the County of Franklin—established by an Act approved March 20, 1838, and took effect by proclamation of the Governor, on the 9th day of May following—are as follows:

Including the towns of New Sharon, Chesterville, Wilton, Temple and Farmington, in the County of Kennebec; and Jay, Carthage, Weld, Berlin, Madrid, townships numbered six, Letter E and D, in the county of Oxford; thence extending northerly from the northwest corner of Letter D, on the line betwixt townships numbered three and four, through the several ranges of townships to Canada line, so as to include three tiers of townships west of the west line of the Bingham Purchase in said county of Oxford;

and Industry, New Vineyard, Strong, Avon, Phillips, Freeman Salem, Kingfield, townships numbered four in the first range west of Kingfield, three and four in the second range and the south half of township numbered four in the third range of the Bingham Purchase, in the county of Somerset.

The boundaries of the county of Aroostook—established by an Act approved March 16th, 1839, to take effect from and after the first day of May following—are as follows, viz:

Including all that part of the State lying north of the north line of the fourth range of townships north of the Lottery townships, and east of the dividing line between ranges five and six west of the east line of the State, and of a line from the north termination of said dividing line, and running the same course to the north line of the State.

On the 12th of March, 1830, the dividing line between the counties of Cumberland and Oxford was so far varied as to set off from the town of Denmark, in the county of Oxford, so much of said town as is known by the name of the mile square, with lots numbered seventeen, eighteen and nineteen—all lying easterly and southerly from the Great Hancock Pond, and extending westerly to Brownfield old line—to the town of Sebago, in the county of Cumberland.

And on the 17th of March, 1830, all that part of the east corner of Otisfield, in the county of Cumberland, situated east of Thompson Pond, together with a strip of land belonging to the State, lying between said Otisfield and the town of Poland, (which tract is bounded on the west and northwest, by Thompson Pond, south and southwest by Poland, and east and northeast by Oxford,) was set off from said town of Otisfield and annexed to the town of Oxford, in the county of Oxford.

On the 27th of March, 1841, all that part of the town of Scarborough, in the county of Cumberland, which lies within the limits of Lewis and Bonython's patent, to wit: all that part of said Scarborough which lies westerly of the patent line, so called, as said line is known and defined, was set off from said town of Scarporough and annexed to the town of Saco, in the county of York.

On the 10th of March, 1835, the town of Litchfield in the county of Lincoln, was set off from said county and annexed to, and made part of, the county of Kennebec. And on the 27th of January, 1840, the town of Wales, in the county of Lincoln, was set off from said county, and annexed to, and made part of, the county of Kennebec.

On the 10th of February, 1836, Nathaniel Cargill's farm, bounded as follows, to wit: beginning at a stake and stones on the town line of Camden, thence running south fifty-six degrees west about forty rods to a stake and stones to land of William Gregory; thence north thirty-four degrees west, two hundred and sixty rods to stake and stones; thence north fifty-six degrees east, forty rods to said Camden line; thence by said town line to bounds first mentioned—was set off from the town of Warren, in the county of Lincoln, and annexed to the town of Camden, and county of Waldo.

On the 6th of March, 1830, Shubal Dixon's farm, being number one on Letter B, number six on Great Lot G, containing two hundred acres, according to a plan made by Daniel Stewart, Jr., surveyor, dated the sixteenth day of August, A. D. 1816, with the land lying between said farm and the east line of the town of Clinton; and Alexander Potter's farm, adjoining said Dixon's farm, and containing about two hundred acres, was set off from the town of Pittsfield, in the county of Somerset, and annexed to the town of Clinton, in the county of Kennebec; and the dividing line between the towns of Pittsfield and Clinton to constitute the dividing line between the counties of Kennebec and Somerset, so far as the same runs between said counties.

On the 10th of February, 1833, the town of Corinna was set off from the county of Somerset, and annexed to, and made part of the county of Penobscot.

On the 10th of March 1835, all that part of the two mile strip in the county of Hancock, north of township number two, Bingham Purchase east of the Penobscot river, which lies south of the town of Burlington, in the county of Penobscot, beginning at the

south west corner of said Burlington, running across said strip to the town line of number two; thence six miles east on said line of number two; thence north across said strip to the south east corner of said Burlington—was annexed to the town of Burlington, in the county of Penobscot aforesaid.

On the 15th of March, 1838, the town of Vinalhaven was set off from the county of Hancock, and annexed to, and made part of, the county of Waldo.

On the 18th of March, 1840, the north half of lot number one, third range of lots situated in New Vineyard, in the county of Franklin, was set off from said town of New Vineyard, and annexed to the town of Anson, in the county of Somerset.

On the 6th of April, 1841, all that part of the town of Mercer, in the county of Somerset, which lies north and west of the centre of Sandy river, was set off from said town of Mercer and annexed to the town of New Sharon, in the county of Franklin.

On the 10th of April, 1841, so much of the towns of Bucksport and Dedham, in the county of Hancock, as is included in the following described bounds, was set off from said towns and annexed to the town of Brewer, in the county of Penobscot, viz: beginning at the south west corner of lot number twenty six, in the north east corner of Orrington; thence south forty eight degrees east to the line between Orrington and Bucksport; thence south seventy degrees west on said line to Brewer Pond, (so called;) thence southerly by said Pond to the westerly range line of a short range of lots, (so called,) south easterly of said Pond; thence north fifty five degrees east on said range line to the easterly line of Bucksport, or line between Bucksport and Dedham; thence north fifty five degrees east across a corner of said Dedham, to the line between said Brewer and Dedham.

On the 7th of March, 1842, the following tract of land was set off from the town of Denmark, in the county of Oxford, and annexed to Bridgton, in the county of Cumberland, viz: beginning on the line between the counties of Oxford and Cumberland at the easterly corner of the lot lately owned by George Rounds, in said

Denmark, and from thence south westerly on the south easterly line of the land of said Rounds to the waters of Great Moose Pond; thence northerly on the easterly shore of said pond to the county line aforesaid, at the northerly corner of a gore of land now or recently owned by Barnabas Brackett; thence south easterly on said county and town line to the first bound.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, February 11, 1843.

Laid upon the table, and 500 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

WM. T. JOHNSON, Clerk.