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## PUBLIC LANDS.

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LAND OFFICE, March 17, 1853.

HON. JOHN C. TALBOT, JR.,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

SIR:—In compliance with an order of the house of the 17th ult., I herewith transmit an abstract of the sales of the public lands for the year 1840, and each subsequent year to December 31, 1852, together with the expenses of the land office during the same period.

That part of the order which relates to settling lands I have not embraced in this answer, for the reason that by an order from the senate, I have furnished to that branch of the legislature the information sought by the order of the house, together with other matter. When printed, the information will be accessible to both branches of the legislature, and prevent delay and expense of adding the same matter to this report.

Very respectfully,

Your ob't serv't,

A. P. MORRILL, *Land Agent.*

**ABSTRACT of the sales of the public lands from the year 1840 to the year ending December 31, 1852, inclusive.**

| Year.                           | Quantity of the moiety of undivided lands belonging to the State of Maine conveyed. | Amount received for the moiety of undivided lands belonging to the State of Maine conveyed. | Amount received for lands owned by the State of Maine in severalty conveyed. |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 | ACRES.                                                                              |                                                                                             |                                                                              |
| 1840 . . . . .                  | 31,572                                                                              | \$36,992 75                                                                                 | \$12,259 83                                                                  |
| 1841 . . . . .                  |                                                                                     |                                                                                             | 15,915 92                                                                    |
| 1842 . . . . .                  |                                                                                     |                                                                                             | 8,101 11                                                                     |
| 1843 . . . . .                  | 35,954                                                                              | 21,465 44                                                                                   | 692 15                                                                       |
| 1844 . . . . .                  | 117,369                                                                             | 150,124 01                                                                                  | 4,437 69                                                                     |
| 1845 . . . . .                  | 29,464                                                                              | 23,767 88                                                                                   | 25,041 64                                                                    |
| 1846 . . . . .                  | 35,300                                                                              | 24,646 25                                                                                   | 183 15                                                                       |
| 1847 . . . . .                  | 67,847                                                                              | 75,161 41                                                                                   | 13,639 44                                                                    |
| 1848 . . . . .                  | 60,395                                                                              | 63,395 34                                                                                   | 14,411 24                                                                    |
| 1849 . . . . .                  | 123,383                                                                             | 61,976 97                                                                                   | 4,587 98                                                                     |
| 1850 . . . . .                  | 269,004                                                                             | 147,604 17                                                                                  | 19,694 32                                                                    |
| 1851 . . . . .                  |                                                                                     |                                                                                             | 5,966 21                                                                     |
| 1852 . . . . .                  | 185,715                                                                             | 118,205 83                                                                                  | 27,508 17                                                                    |
|                                 | 956,003                                                                             | \$723,340 05                                                                                | \$152,438 85                                                                 |
| Total amount of sales . . . . . |                                                                                     |                                                                                             | \$875,778 90                                                                 |

**AN ABSTRACT of the various items of expenses paid annually by the State of Maine for surveying, exploring and protecting all the public lands, salaries of the Land Agents and assistants, and contingent expenses of the Land Office, from the year 1840 to the year 1852, inclusive.**

| Year.    | Bills of cost. | Surveys of land in severalty. | Surveying undiv'd land. | Salaries of Assis't Land Agents. | Salaries of Land Agents. | Officerent. | Postage. | Amount paid for protect-ing the undi-vided lands. | Amount paid for protect-ing the land owned by Me. in sever-alty. | Annual am't of all expen-ses attending the care and custody of public lands. |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1840 . . |                |                               |                         |                                  | \$1,000                  | \$100 00    | \$31 62  | \$1,731 96                                        | \$2,853 25                                                       | \$5,716 83                                                                   |
| 1841 . . | \$11 87        | \$68 41                       | \$1,115 96              | \$936 72                         | 1,000                    | 110 42      | 40 08    | 1,030 66                                          | 1,620 35                                                         | 5,934 47                                                                     |
| 1842 . . | 42 53          |                               | 1,861 77                | 850 00                           | 1,000                    | 106 25      | 38 30    | 673 84                                            | 702 19                                                           | 5,274 88                                                                     |
| 1843 . . | 4 76           | 542 38                        | 1,065 74                | 800 00                           | 1,000                    | 100 00      | 34 59    | 496 96                                            | 1,130 91                                                         | 5,175 34                                                                     |
| 1844 . . | 118 72         | 1,173 51                      |                         | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 100 00      | 49 70    | 2,265 94                                          | 1,705 20                                                         | 7,413 07                                                                     |
| 1845 . . |                |                               | 109 61                  | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 100 00      | 45 27    | 2,247 83                                          | 396 86                                                           | 4,999 57                                                                     |
| 1846 . . | 75 00          | 35 12                         | 1,353 31                | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 100 00      | 21 14    | 2,669 82                                          | 867 28                                                           | 7,121 67                                                                     |
| 1847 . . | 137 73         | 719 77                        | 1,453 75                | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 100 00      | 20 87    | 2,041 73                                          | 1,431 38                                                         | 7,905 23                                                                     |
| 1848 . . | 35 91          |                               | 2,937 78                | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 200 00      | 35 11    | 1,288 70                                          | 2,504 80                                                         | 9,002 30                                                                     |
| 1849 . . | 270 89         | 325 57                        | 30 70                   | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 200 00      | 20 47    | 1,827 77                                          | 665 69                                                           | 5,341 09                                                                     |
| 1850 . . |                | 156 25                        | 651 37                  | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 200 00      | 38 51    | 1,878 36                                          | 2,142 57                                                         | 7,067 06                                                                     |
| 1851 . . |                |                               | 2,040 76                | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 200 00      | 37 46    | 918 84                                            | 1,578 22                                                         | 6,775 28                                                                     |
| 1852 . . |                |                               | 158 07                  | 1,000 00                         | 1,000                    | 205 00      | 23 85    | 910 04                                            | 396 21                                                           | 3,693 17                                                                     |
|          | \$697 41       | \$3,021 01                    | \$12,778 82             | \$11,586 72                      | \$13,000                 | \$1,821 67  | \$436 97 | \$19,982 45                                       | \$17,994 91                                                      | \$81,319 96                                                                  |

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
- March 21, 1853. }

ORDERED, That 350 copies of the communication of the Land Agent, with accompanying Abstract, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

A. B. FARWELL, *Clerk.*