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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

Public Officers and Institutions

FOR THE YEAR

1892.

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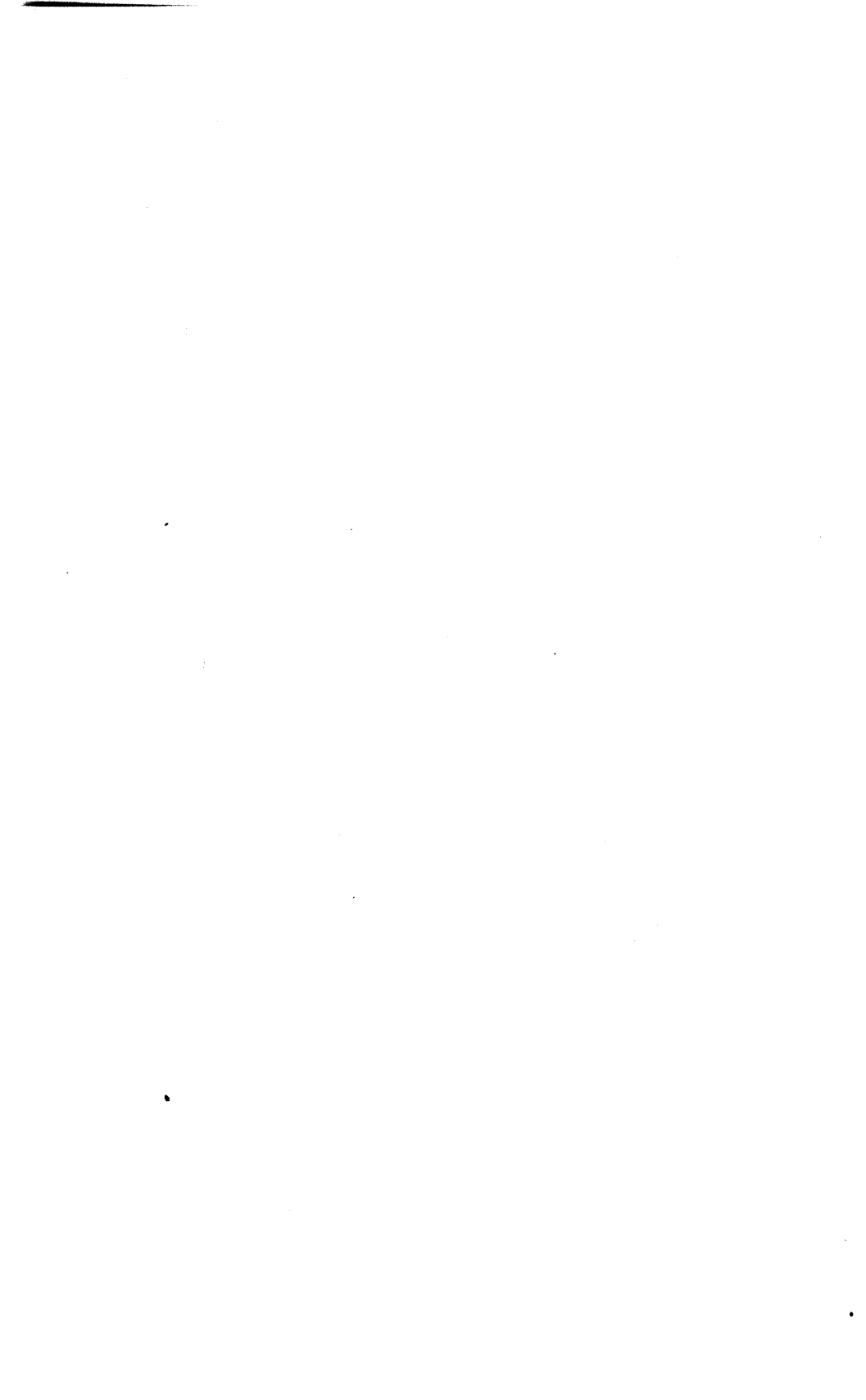
REPORT

OF THE

LAND AGENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

November 30, 1887.



REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of Maine :

In compliance with the provisions of law, the undersigned, Land Agent has the honor to make the annual report of the operations of the Land Department for the year ending November 30, 1887.

SALES OF LAND.

Schedule A exhibits the amount of land that has been conveyed to actual settlers upon the surrender of outstanding certificates during the year ended November 30, 1887. There are now nearly seven thousand acres of land remaining in the possession of the holders of these certificates that have not been conveyed. Some have lost their certificates in various ways, others have assigned them as security for money to build suitable farms buildings, while still others have claimed that their lots were not suitable for farms and wish to have further settling duties waived, giving them title to their lands.

Schedule B shows land conveyed for cash by order of the Governor and Council. This sale was made at thirty-five cents per acre, that being the price fixed by law to be paid in road labor. As this lot was already occupied as a farm it was thought advisable to sell for cash.

Schedule C exhibits the conveyances made under Resolves of the legislature. The grantees appeared to have equitable rights that the Land Agent was not authorized to consider.

Schedule D is a list of sales of islands which were made by order of the Governor and Council.

Schedule E shows the conveyances to Swedish immigrants under acts to encourage immigration.

Schedule F contains the names of soldiers and the widows of deceased soldiers of the Revolutionary War who were entitled to

two hundred acres of land under Resolves of March 17, 1835, and March 26, 1836, but have never surrendered their land certificates for deeds.

Schedule G exhibits the amount of land now under contract to "actual settlers" in accordance with the law regulating the sale of lands for settlement.

The last legislature passed a "Resolve in favor of the distribution of certified copies of Plans on file in the State Land Office" and appropriated the sum of "six hundred dollars" to defray the expense of drafting these plans. Major J. H. Cochrane is now at work making copies for binding.

CYRUS A. PACKARD, *Land Agent.*

APPENDIX.

DR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* CYRUS A. PACKARD, *Land Agent, for the Year Ending November 30, 1887.*

To cash paid on account of charges—Schedule No. 1.	-	\$198 51
into State Treasury on account of reserved lands—Schedule No. 2	-	561 67
To cash securities, viz:		
Notes	\$6,680 85	
School fund	1,285 94	
		7,966 79
	-	\$8,726 97

CR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* CYRUS A. PACKARD, *Land Agent, for the Year Ending November 30, 1887.*

By cash securities in Land Office Dec. 1, 1886, viz:		
Notes	\$6,680 85	
School fund	1,285 94	
		\$7,966 79
By cash received from miscellaneous sources, viz:		
From sales of islands	\$70 00	
timber	38 51	
rent of store in New Sweden	50 00	
By cash received from Swedish settlers.	40 00	
on account of reserved lands	561 67	
		760 18
		\$8,726 97

*Receipts of Cash from all Sources During the Year Ending
November 30, 1887.*

By cash received from sale of islands.....	\$70 00	
timber	38 51	
rent of store in New Sweden	50 00	
Swedish settlers	40 00	
on account of reserved lands.....	561 67	
	\$760 18	\$760 18

Disbursements of Cash During the Year Ending November 30, 1887.

To cash paid on account of charges.. ..	\$198 51	
into State Treasury on account of reserved lands	561 67	
	\$760 18	\$760 18

Trial Balance November 30, 1887.

Folio.	Accounts.	Debit footings	Credit footings.	Debit balances.	Credit balances.
28	Notes.....	\$6,680 85	-	\$6,680 85	
33	School fund ..	1,285 94	-	1,285 94	
35	Sales of timber	-	\$38 51	-	\$38 51
40	Swedish settlers	-	90 00	-	90 00
43	Islands	-	70 00	-	70 00
44	State Treasury	561 67	-	561 67	
46	Charges.....	198 51	-	198 51	
47	Cash	760 18	760 18	-	
48	Reserved lands.....	-	561 67	-	561 67
50	Balances	-	7,966 79	-	7,966 79
		\$9,487 15	\$9,487 15	\$8,726 97	\$8,726 97

Bills Receivable, November 30, 1887.

Promisors.	Date.	Maturity.	Amount.	Interest paid.	Principal paid.	Principal due.	Residence.
NOTES.							
Bragg and Sons.....	Nov. 16, 1869 ..	1870	\$234 96	-	-	\$234 96	Bangor.
Butler, Luther	Jan. 1, 1850	1851	315 90	-	-	315 90	Ashland.
Cary, S., et al.....	Mar. 29, 1843	1844	500 00	-	-	500 00	Houlton.
Same	Mar. 29, 1843	1845	500 00	-	-	500 00	Houlton.
Cary, Wm. H., Jr.....	Mar. 1, 1853	1855	520 78	\$104 20	\$141 29	367 49	Houlton.
Same	Mar. 1, 1853	1856	520 78	-	-	520 78	Houlton.
Fish, Ira, et al.	Apr. 14, 1828	1828	203 25	172 85	-	203 25	Patten.
Greenbush, town of ..	Nov. 28, 1851	1851	800 00	-	-	800 00	
Hammond, Joseph ...	Sept. 11, 1846	1846	61 25	-	-	61 25	Lincoln.
Same	Sept. 11, 1846	1847	61 25	-	-	61 25	Lincoln.
Hussey, Putnam & Co	Jan. 5, 1844	1844	83 75	-	24 62	59 13	Houlton.
Jones, J. W. & T. D.,	May 14, 1851	1851	550 00	-	50 00	500 00	Ellsworth.
Libby, Amzi.....	Dec. 1, 1841	1844	15 00	-	-	15 00	Burlington.
Pratt, Job, et al.	Nov. 16, 1844	1845	30 00	-	-	30 00	Chester.
Same.....	Nov. 16, 1844	1846	30 00	-	-	30 00	Chester.
Smith, B. D., et al...	July 28, 1841	1841	333 00	-	270 00	63 00	Houlton.
Sutton, A. B.....	Aug. 19, 1869	1869	1,010 94	-	-	1,010 94	Orono.
Wentworth, Moses ...	Dec. 3, 1830	1831	59 50	20 12	-	59 50	Ellsworth.
Same.....	Dec. 3, 1830	1832	59 50	20 12	-	59 50	Ellsworth.
Same.....	Dec. 3, 1830	1833	59 50	20 12	-	59 50	Ellsworth.
Same.....	Dec. 3, 1830	1834	59 50	20 12	-	59 50	Ellsworth.
Whittaker, Collins...	Jan. 15, 1849	1853	1,160 90	139 30	-	1,160 90	St John, N. B.
						\$6,480 85	
SCHOOL FUND.							
Fish, Ira D.....	Oct. 30, 1848	1848	54 00	-	-	\$ 54 00	Patten.
Johnston, Dan'l, et al,	Apr. 27, 1841	1841	250 00	-	-	250 00	Prov. of N. B.
McAllister, Abiel....	Apr. 9, 1841	1841	300 00	-	-	300 00	Masardis.
Tracey, S., et al.....	May 20, 1843	1843	363 30	-	-	363 30	Greenville.
Wadleigh, Ira, et al..	Jan. 18, 1844	1845	318 64	-	-	318 64	Old Town.
						\$1,285 94	

APPENDIX.

SCHEDULE A.

Lands Conveyed by Deed to Actual Settlers, on the Surrender of Outstanding Certificates, During the Year Ending November 30, 1887.

Date.	Grantee.	Residence.	No. of Lot.	Township.	Acres.	Remarks.	Original Contracts.
1887.							
Aug. 16...	Pehr E. Colsson.....	New Sweden.....	81½	15, R. 3	112.19	U. D.	Grantee, Nov. 10, 1878.
Sept. 5....	Gideon Vermette	Caribou.....	73	I, R. 2	162.67	U. D.	Peter Murray, Jr., Dec. 30, 1875.
Sept. 5....	Marshall La Plant. . .	Caribou.....	33	I, R. 2	147.32	U. D.	Grantee, Dec. 1, 1884.

SCHEDULE B.

Lands Conveyed for Cash During the Year Ending November 30, 1887.

Date.	Purchaser.	Residence.	No. of Lot.	Location.	Aeres.	Amount	Remarks.
1887. Nov. 30...	John E. Sandstrom	New Sweden	49	15, R. 3	93.71	\$32 80	Order of Council, Nov. 29, 1887.

SCHEDULE C.

Lands Conveyed under Resolves of the Legislature for the Year Ending November 30, 1887.

Date.	Grantee.	Residence.	Number of Lot.	Township.	Acres.	Remarks.
1887.						
Feb 8	Annie Marie Petersen	New Sweden	38 and 39	15, R 3	204.13	Resolve Feb. 1, 1887.
Feb. 19	S. H. Spaulding	Springfield	17, R 1	Springfield	100.	Resolve, Feb. 15, 1887.
Feb. 28	Polly Corbain	Hamlin Plantation	N. W $\frac{1}{4}$ 41	G, R 1	91.63	Resolve, Feb. 23, 1887.
Mar. 1	Henry H. Goss	Portage Lake	45	13, R 6	120.	Resolve, Feb. 1, 1887.
Mar. 31	Wm R. Ramsdell	Castle Hill	5	12, R. 4	115.96	Resolve, Feb. 15, 1887.
Sept. 28	H. P. Smith	Castle Hill	34	12, R 4	131.74	Resolve, March 16, 1864.
Mar 16	United States . . . . .	.....	.....	Ledges for Light House . . . . .	.....	Resolve, March 15, 1867.

SCHEDULE D.

Islands Conveyed for Cash During the Year Ending November 30, 1887.

Date.	Purchaser.	Name of Island.	Location.	Amount.	Remarks.
1887. Nov. 30	Isle of Springs Association	Ram Island & Inner Ram Island	Boothbay	\$70 00	Order of Council, Oct. 26, 1887.

SCHEDULE E.

Lands Conveyed to Swedish Immigrants under Acts Approved March 23, 1870, Feb. 24, 1871, and Jan. 25, 1873.

Date.	Grantees.	Residence.	Number of Lot.	Township.	Acres.	Original Contracts.
1887.						
Aug. 15	Laurientius Stenstrom	New Sweden	99½	15, R 3	114.26	Grantee, Nov. 7, 1870.
Nov. 10	Johan Anderson, 2d	New Sweden	141	15, R 3	110.26	Grantee, Sept. 5, 1872.

SCHEDULE F.

Schedule of Certificates Issued under a "Resolve in favor of Certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War and the Widows of the Deceased Officers and Soldiers," approved March 17, 1835, and an Additional Resolve, approved March 26, 1836. Said Certificates having never been returned to the Land Office, no Deeds have been given of these Lots.

No. of claim.	Grantee.	Residence.	Number of certificate.	Date of Certificate.	Township.	No. of lot.	Remarks.
137	David Ridley	Windsor	419	January 15, 1838...	No. 8, R 3.....	35	
167	Rebecca Adams.....	Bowdoinham	52	August 15, 1835....	2, Indian Purchase	39	Widow of Jedediah Adams.
298	Hannah Dorman.....	Kennebunkport... ..	283	March 30, 1836....	3, Indian Purchase.....	43	Widow of John Dorman.
397	Thomas Boston.....	Kennebunkport... ..	261	March 29, 1836....	3, Indian Purchase.....	13	
428	Davis Wasgatt.....	Mt Desert.....	265	March 29, 1836....	4, Indian Purchase.....	30	
453	Joseph Wardwell... ..	Rumford	121	September 5, 1835 .	8, R 3.....	105	
514	Edward Wilson	Cumberland.....	278	March 29, 1836....	3, Indian Purchase	65	
614	Eleanor Means	Freeport	327	April 4, 1836	3, Indian Purchase.....	1	Widow of Thomas Means.
624	Hannah Dyer.....	Sullivan	332	April 4, 1836.....	3, Indian Purchase.....	63	Widow of Ephraim Dyer.
629	Susan Worster.....	Sanford.....	333	April 4, 1836.....	3, Indian Purchase.....	27	Widow of Thomas Worster.
630	Zachariah Nowell... ..	Portland.....	334	April 4, 1836.....	3, Indian Purchase.....	58	
719	Elizabeth Boothby... ..	Limerick.....	382	October 6, 1836....	3, Indian Purchase.....	48	Widow of William Boothby.
723	Matilda Dole	Orrington	412	April 27, 1837.....	8, R 3.....	2	Widow of Amos Dole.
733	Ephraim Haynes.....	Eden.....	405	February 16, 1837 .	8, R 3.....	44	
744	Sarah Jordan.....	Cape Elizabeth... ..	427	March 29, 1838....	8, R 3.....	27	Widow of Solomon Jordan.
759	Nancy Fulmer.....	Bangor	437	July 30, 1838.....	8, R 3.....	65	Widow of George Fulmer.
791	Sarah Rankins.....	Lebanon.....	481	May 12, 1845.....	.....	.....	Widow of James Rankins.
832	Hannah Heath	Mt Desert.....	478	April 18, 1845....	.....	.....	Widow of William Heath.

SCHEDULE G.

Lands Now Under Contract to Actual Settlers, who will be Entitled to Receive Deeds upon Payment of Road Labor and the Performance of Settling Duties.

Township H, Range 2—Part of Caribou.

No. of Lot	Acres.	Date of Contract.	No. of Lot.	Acres.	Date of Contract.
54	159.66	June 20, 1843.			

Total, 159.66 acres.

Township I, Range 2—Part of Caribou.

29	160.11	Nov. 30, 1874.	126	175.41	Nov. 30, 1876.
31	108.04	July 19, 1869.	N $\frac{1}{2}$ 128	105.03	Nov. 28, 1875.
123	141.00	Nov. 28, 1875.			

Total, 689.59 acres.

South half of Township No. 2, R. 3—Part of Glenwood Plantation.

69	76.00	Aug. 21, 1868.			
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Total, 76.00 acres.

Township No. 11, Range 3, Chapman Plantation.

			97	161.63	Aug. 26, 1879.
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Total, 161.63 acres.

Township No. 13, Range 3—Washburn.

32	158.58	Nov. 27, 1873.	3, sec. 1	159.60	July 3, 1878.
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Total, 318.18 acres.

Township No. 14, Range 3—Woodland.

9	158.76	Nov. 27, 1871.	51	155.65	Sept. 29, 1873.
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	110.70	Sept. 5, 1872.	143	193.53	Aug. 7, 1878.
42	155.26	Nov. 27, 1871.			

Total, 773.90 acres.

Township 15, R. 3—New Sweden Plantation.

20	108.15	Nov. 27, 1870.	110	111.99	Nov. 27, 1871.
43	119.36	Nov. 27, 1871.	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	109.67	Nov. 27, 1871.
77	116.30	Nov. 27, 1871.	114	101.08	July 23, 1870.
78 $\frac{1}{2}$	111.83	Sept 5, 1872.	128	111.29	Nov. 27, 1871.
79	119.42	Nov. 8, 1881.	129	122.77	Nov. 27, 1871.
81	112.65	Nov. 27, 1871.	134	106.67	July 23, 1870.
104	108.39	Nov. 27, 1871.			

Total, 1,459.47 acres

Southwest Part Township No. 6, R. 4—Part of Merrill Plantation.

No. of Lot	Acres.	Date of Contract.	No. of Lot	Acres.	Date of Contract.
S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of 27	85.42	Dec. 29, 1880.			
Total, 85.42 acres.					

Township No. 12, Range 4—Castle Hill Plantation.

6	176.80	Feb 19, 1883.	18	112.94	Jan. 30, 1874.
9	146.20	April 30, 1861.	23	115.64	Nov. 30, 1874.
15	148.25	Feb. 1, 1883.	113	159.31	April 28, 1860.
Total, 889.14 acres.					

Township No. 14, Range 4—Perham Plantation.

4	119.97	Oct. 22, 1877.	72	160.21	Aug. 6, 1877.
21	103.95	Oct. 28, 1878.	89	157.96	Nov. 2, 1876.
51	116.67	Aug. 7, 1878.	103	161.63	Nov. 27, 1878.
61	147.92	Nov 2, 1876	137	263.67	Oct. 28, 1878.
66	158.59	July 14, 1875.			
Total, 1,390.57 acres.					

Township No. 4, Range 5—Crystal Plantation.

S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 36	167.62	Oct. 6, 1870.			
Total, 167.62 acres.					

Township No. 6, Range 5—Moro Plantation.

29	172.00	Aug 7, 1878.			
Total, 172.00 acres.					

Township No. 10, Range 5—Masardis.

77	145.00	July 5, 1878.			
Total, 145.00 acres.					

Township No. 11, Range 5—Ashland.

E. $\frac{1}{2}$ 43	124.75	April 18, 1871.			
Total, 124.75 acres.					

North Half of Township No. 17, Range 6—Part of New Canada Plantation.

57	102.00	Nov. 30, 1876.	68	100	July 14, 1877.
Total, 202.00 acres.					

RECAPITULATION.

TOWN-SHIP.	No. of settlers.	Acres.
H. R. 2, part of Caribou	1	159.66
I. R. 2, part of Caribou	5	689.59
2 R. 3, Glenwood Plantation	1	76.00
11 R. 3, Chapman Plantation	1	161.63
13 R. 3, Washburn	2	318.18
14 R. 3, Woodland	5	773.90
15 R. 3, New Sweden Plantation	13	1,459.47
6 R. 4, Merrill Plantation	1	85.42
12 R. 4, Castle Hill Plantation	6	889.14
14 R. 4, Perham Plantation	9	1,390.57
4 R. 5, Castle Hill Plantation	1	167.62
6 R. 5, Moro Plantation	1	172.00
10 R. 5, Marasdis	1	145.00
11 R. 5, Ashland	1	124.00
17 R. 6, New Canada Plantation	2	202.00
Total	50	6,814.18