

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 139.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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RESOLVE relating to settling lands in Perham  
plantation.

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*Resolved,* That all lands in Perham plantation,  
2 belonging to the state, except the lots reserved for  
3 public uses, be subject to sale in the same manner  
4 and on same conditions as lands in other townships  
5 set apart for settlement; and that all such lands  
6 and all lands in said plantation heretofore conveyed  
7 by conditional deeds be regarded as within the pro-  
8 visions of "resolve to facilitate the settlement of  
9 the public lands and closing the land office," passed  
10 by the present legislature, the claimants under such  
11 deeds to have the same rights with reference to the  
12 performance of settling duties as those holding cer-  
13 tificates.

*Resolved,* That the resolve, chapter sixty-seven of  
2 the resolves of eighteen hundred and sixty-one,

3 entitled "resolve in relation to township fourteen,  
4 range four, in Aroostook county," is hereby re-  
5 pealed.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

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### STATE OF MAINE.

LAND OFFICE, }  
Augusta, Feb. 10, 1879. }

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts sold to John Goddard the perpetual right to cut timber on this township, July 8, 1845. The soil of the township having been set apart for settlement by this State, conditional deeds have been issued to settlers under chapter 67 of the resolves of 1861, entitled "Resolve in relation to township fourteen, range four in Aroostook county."

Under chapter 64 of the resolves of 1878, entitled "Resolve relating to Perham plantation," all matters were adjusted between the State and the owners of the right to cut timber under the Goddard contract; and in case any of the lots now under contract to settlers in that plantation shall be abandoned and revert back to the State, it is desirable that they should be re-sold in the usual way by land certificates.

Under the present law, it becomes necessary for the Attorney General to take action in court, under chapter 93 of the revised statutes, in order to secure a forfeiture of lands sold by the State by conditional deeds.

EDWIN C. BURLEIGH,  
Land Agent.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 15, 1879. }

Reported from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads,  
by Mr. HALEY of Prospect, and ordered printed under the Joint  
Rule, with Statement of Facts.

B. L. STAPLES, *Clerk.*