

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 66.

STATE OF MAINE.

LAND OFFICE,

Augusta, Feb. 7, 1883.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR:—In compliance with an order of the House of Representatives of the 24th ult., I have the honor to transmit the following schedule which exhibits (so far as I have been able to do so in the time allowed,) “the lands of the State subject to my official care.” Nearly all these lands have been certificated to settlers under the “act” providing for the “sale of lands for settlement.” Whenever these settlers perform the several conditions named in their “land certificates” they will be entitled to deeds.

In addition to the schedule hereunto annexed the care and custody of the “reserved lands,” or as they are frequently termed “school lots,” devolves upon the Land Agent until the townships or tracts are “incorporated and the fee becomes vested in the town.” There are some thirty thousand acres of these lands, but as they are not embraced in the order a detailed statement is not given. This schedule contains a list of such lots or parcels of land as clearly appear by the records in this office to belong to the State.

The states of Maine and Massachusetts have given conditional deeds of lands in Maine. The conditions were some-

times the payment of the purchase money, at other times the performance of certain specified settling duties, and in the earlier conveyances by Massachusetts frequently the conditions were settling a certain number of families on the township in a given number of years. These conditions have frequently been waived or modified by subsequent legislation, and as that kind of legislation has been done largely by resolves, it is somewhat difficult to ascertain with certainty, what, if any, interest the State has in such lands. I am of the opinion that the State has an interest in some of these lands, but what that interest is I am not now able to say.

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

CYRUS A. PACKARD, *Land Agent.*

	Township.	No. of Acres.
B	Range 1, W. E. L. S.	136.47
F	" 1, "	350.79
H	" 2, "	159.66
I	" 2, "	2,216.42
No. 2	" 3, "	76.00
11	" 3, "	532.65
13	" 3, "	574.81
14	" 3, "	1,218.60
15	" 3, "	5,074.86
6	" 4, "	85.42
12	" 4, "	2,160.77
14	" 4, "	1,943.00
4	" 5, "	167.62
6	" 5, "	172.00
10	" 5, "	145.00
11	" 5, "	124.75
13	" 6, "	120.00
17	" 7, "	302.10
5	" 13, "	130.03
6	Franklin County,	320.00
	Andover North Surplus,	160.00
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		16,170.95

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In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 7, 1883. }

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ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*