

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 11.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of
Indians.

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars
2 be, and is hereby appropriated for the benefit of
3 the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, to be ex-
4 pended by and under the advice and direction of
5 the governor and council, in whole or in part, as
6 they shall direct, if deemed expedient by them so
7 to do, and for the following purposes:

8 For the purchase of a tract of land adjoining the
9 reservation of the Passamaquoddy Indians at
10 Pleasant Point.

11 For repairing school house.

12 For repairing churches at Pleasant Point and
13 Peter Dana's Point.

14 For bell for religious and school purposes.

Resolved, That in event of the purchase of any
2 land by the governor and council, under and in

3 accordance with the preceding resolve, then it shall
4 be the duty of the governor and council to cause
5 said land so purchased, to be surveyed and lotted,
6 and to cause a plan and description of said survey
7 to be filed in the office of the land agent of the
8 state.

9 That such lots, so purchased, surveyed and
10 lotted, shall be offered by the governor and coun-
11 cil, through the Indian agent of said tribe for the
12 time being, for the occupancy of the members of
13 said tribe, in such lots and numbers, and at such
14 times as they may deem wise.

15 That any male Indian of said tribe, of the age of
16 twenty-one years, who desires to take up any one
17 of such lots, not already taken up, upon making
18 application therefor to the Indian agent aforesaid,
19 shall be entitled to receive from the state of Maine,
20 out of the state land office, a *first* certificate of
21 occupancy of such lot so applied for, stating in
22 such certificate that such applicant shall be enti-
23 tled to a *further* certificate of permanent posses-
24 sion and occupancy of such lot, upon compliance
25 with the following conditions, to-wit: Every such
26 applicant shall be required to go into actual occu-
27 pancy of his lot, within three months from the dat-
28 of his *first* certificate of occupancy, and withi-

29 two years from the date of said *first* certificate he
30 shall fence the whole of his said lot, to the satis-
31 faction of the Indian agent of the tribe for the time
32 being. Every such applicant shall also be re-
33 quired to break up to tillage, within two years
34 from the date of said *first* certificate, such portion
35 of his said lot as said Indian agent shall prescribe,
36 and within four years from said date, shall erect
37 upon his said lot a dwelling, which shall be ap-
38 proved by said Indian agent.

39 That any such applicant for any one lot, upon
40 compliance with the foregoing conditions, shall be
41 entitled to receive, and shall receive from the state,
42 out of the land office thereof, a certificate of per-
43 manent occupancy and possession of such lot.
44 And if any such applicant fails in the performance
45 of any of said conditions, he shall forfeit all right
46 to said lot, and the said Indian agent may there-
47 upon dispose of said lot, according to foregoing
48 provisions, to another Indian, it being expressly
49 provided hereby that only one lot shall be granted
50 to the same person.

51 That the foregoing provisions shall not be con-
52 strued to include any lot or lots, which by reason
53 of being adjacent to or connected with the shore or
54 shores, are especially valuable for fishing privi-

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55 leges, or for the construction of fish weirs, if any
56 such lots there are; but said shore lots shall be
57 under the especial care and control of the said
58 Indian agent of said tribe for the time being, and
59 it shall be the duty of said agent to so manage
60 said lots as to afford, as far as possible, equal priv-
61 ileges to all male members of said tribe of the age
62 of twenty-one years or over, until otherwise or-
63 dered.

STATE OF MAINE.

In SENATE, January 26, 1883.

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C. W. TILDEN, *Secretary.*