

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

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No. 77.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of the Town of Beddington.

Resolved, That the state treasurer is hereby authorized and 2 directed to pay to the town of Beddington one hundred ten dol-3 lars, it being an abatement, in part, for taxes assessed by the 4 state against the town of Beddington for the years eighteen 5 hundred ninety-seven and eighteen hundred ninety-eight.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The undersigned, selectmen and assessors and citizens of the town of Beddington, Washington county, Maine, respectfully represent that the state tax for the years 1897 and 1898 for said town has been assessed on a valuation of the wild land in said town greatly in excess of the real value, and in excess of the valuation on which the town tax is assessed; that the tannery of E. E. Church, in said town, was burned in September, 1896, and that said tannery was assessed at a valuation of \$4,000, but that no reduction was made for said years 1897 and 1898 on this account in the state valuation. This excessive state valuation of wild land above the valuation on which our tax is assessed and the addition of tax on valuable property destroyed by fire our state tax for said years of 1897 and 1898 in excess of \$110, and we respectfully pray that such rebate be allowed to us as the facts in the case warrant and justice requires.

Amasa C. Farnsworth, Milton E. Farnsworth, George F. Watts, Selectmen and Assessors; Chas. G. Sproul, J. W. Farnsworth, A. G. Farnsworth, W. A. Coffin, A. F. Libbey, Stephen Tibbetts.

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House of Representatives, Augusta, February 9, 1899.

Reported by Mr. DUNNING of Winslow, from Committee on Claims, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.