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# SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 275

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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A RESOLVE relating to Mason's Island.

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*Resolved:* That the State land Agent be, and he is here-  
2 by authorized and empowered, upon payment of a nominal  
3 consideration of one dollar, to make, execute, and deliver  
4 a good and sufficient deed releasing to Isaiah W. Stanley  
5 of Swans Island in the County of Hancock, his heirs and  
6 assigns, all the right, title, and interest which the State of  
7 Maine has in and to a certain island known as Mason's Is-  
8 land situated in Penobscot Bay in said County of Hancock  
9 about three miles southwesterly of Swans Island and be-  
10 tween Marshall's Island and Heron Island, so-called, and  
11 containing four acres of land and ledge, more or less.



### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

In 1855, or thereabouts, James S. Rowe of Swan's Island purchased from John Gott Mason's Island, described in this resolve; previous to that date John Gott had held the island for an indefinite length of time; from the date of the purchase of the island by James S. Rowe it has been held by him and his heirs until June second, 1908, when Bradford E. Rowe, a son of James S. Rowe, conveyed to Isaiah W. Stanley; the other heirs of James S. Rowe having previously released their interests to said Bradford E. Rowe.

A search of the records in the office of the Registry of Deeds of Hancock County shows that there is no record of any conveyance of this island by the State though the parties mentioned above have held possession and claimed title for more than fifty years.

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, Feb. 22, 1909.

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and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*