

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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RESOLVES

OF THE

FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE,

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT THE SESSION

Which commenced on the seventh day of January, and ended on the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five.

Published agreeably to the Resolve of June 28, 1820.

AUGUSTA:

WILLIAM J. CONDON.....PRINTER TO THE STATE.

1835.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
 March 23, 1835. }

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an Order instructing them "to report an Appropriation Bill specifying as near as may be the different items of expenditure and classifying them in such order as is proper and usual in such cases; and that they further report to this House the ways and means by which the Government shall be supported the ensuing political year" have had the subject under consideration and Report, That on the 31st day of December 1834 the resources and liabilities of the State were as follows,

LIABILITIES.		RESOURCES.	
Funded Debt,	\$134,466 75	Notes and Bills receivable,	\$31,263 36
Penobscot Indian Fund,	5,804 85	Stock in Augusta, Maine } and Commercial Banks, }	21,000 00
Permanent School Fund,	2,907 01	Taxes uncollected for the } years 1831, 1832 & 1833, }	316 93
Annual School Fund No. 1,	1,628 37	Taxes uncollected for } 1834, }	49,944 47
" " " " No. 2,	23,710 38	Cash in the Treasury,	19,286 35
Cumberland and Oxford } Canal }	314 51	Notes, bonds, executions } and cash in the hands of } the Land Agent Dec. 31, } 1834, exclusive of Inter- } est, }	164,405 90
Balance of Roll of Ac- } count No. 15, }	196 31		
Passamaquoddy Indian } Fund, }	1,100 00		
Total,	170,128 18	Total,	286,217 01

Being a balance in favor of the State of 116,088 dollars and 83 cents.

Your Committee find that from the first day of January 1835 to the seventeenth day of March 1835 inclusive 93,847⁸²/₁₀₀ acres of the Public Lands have been sold by the Land Agent, for 108,775 Dollars and 82 Cents for which he received notes amounting to 84,307 Dollars and 95 Cents and the balance 24,467 Dollars and 87 Cents in cash which added to the above makes a balance in favor of the State of 224,864 Dollars and 65 Cents.

Your Committee estimate the receipts of the Treasury for the year 1835 as follows.

Cash balance from the year 1834,	19,286 35
Taxes for the years 1831, 1832, 1833, and 1834,	50,261 40
Tax on Banks for 1835,	26,000 00
On notes and bills receivable in the hands of the Treasurer } amounting to 31,263 46 estimated receipts for 1835, }	15,000 00
Duty on Commissions,	2,000 00
Dividends on Bank Stock,	1,100 00
On Loan under Resolve of February 24, 1834,	10,000 00
On requisition Loan of February 1835,	50,000 00
Permanent School Fund transferred to current expenditures,	2,907 01

Cash received by the Land Agent from January 1, 1835 to March 17, 1835, for sales of Public Lands,	}	24,467 87
On securities in the hands of the Land Agent Dec. 31, 1834 amounting to 164,405 Dollars and 90 Cents estimated receipts for 1835;		
On sales of Public Lands after March 17, 1835,		20,000 00
Total,		<u>251,022 63</u>

Your Committee further report that the sums necessary for the support of the Government for the year 1835 as specified in the Appropriation Bill herewith submitted amount to the sum of 167,126 Dollars and 51 Cents—leaving a balance at the disposal of the Government at the close of the year 1835 of 83,896 Dollars and 12 Cents, which when received may be applied to the payment of debts of the State agreeably to a resolve authorizing a temporary loan in behalf of the State of February 1835 and the accompanying Resolve.

There now remains of the Public Lands owned by this State within its undisputed boundary about three million two hundred and fifty thousand acres viz. 55 townships located and belonging wholly to Maine 20 townships located and undivided and lands unlocated and undivided equal to about 162 townships making that part owned wholly by this State about equal to 146 townships or 3,250,000 acres which your Committee estimate to be worth one dollar per acre amounting to 3,250,000 dollars.

Having in view the rapidly increasing resources of the State, your Committee are of opinion that with proper care to select the most legitimate objects of revenue, and with a faithful administration of the finances the time will soon arrive when a State tax can be entirely dispensed with.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DANIEL STEWARD, Jr., Chairman.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 23d, 1835. }

ORDERED, That the Report of the Committee on Finance accompanying the appropriation bill, be published with the Laws or Resolves of the present session, also, in all papers that publish the laws of the State.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

JONA. CILLEY, Speaker.

IN SENATE, March 23, 1835. Read and passed, in concurrence.

JOSIAH PIERCE, President.