

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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**CHAP. 47.**

Forfeiture for neglect to comply with terms of sale.

Deed, &c.

Townships unsold, how disposed of.

receiving such township or part of township so proposed for, or shall, for the space of twenty days, neglect or refuse to comply with the conditions of sale, he shall wholly forfeit to the state such ten per centum of the sum named accompanying such proposal, and the land agent shall offer such township or part of township to the person making the next highest proposal, not less than the minimum price, who will receive the same and comply with the conditions of sale. And for such township or part of township proposed for at the highest price above such minimum, the land agent is required to execute a conditional deed in the usual form of state deeds, and such applicant shall be required, before the delivery of the deed, to pay one third of the required amount in cash, and for the remainder he shall furnish the land agent with three promissory notes of equal sums, payable annually in one, two and three years to the state treasurer, and a bond with sufficient guaranty for amount of stumpage cut on such land, as fixed annually by said land agent to be applied in payment of said notes.

SECT. 4. All townships and parts of townships advertised and offered as aforesaid, and not sold as contemplated herein, may at any time after said first day of September, until the first day of February following, be sold by the land agent at private sale, at a price not less than the minimum fixed, upon the conditions aforesaid.

[Approved March 31, 1853.]

### Chapter 47.

An act relating to trespasses on the public lands.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Damages for trespass on public lands, how determined.

SECT. 1. Whenever an action of trespass for timber cut on the lands of the State of Maine, or on the land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or on the undivided land belonging to said state and commonwealth, shall be prosecuted for the benefit of individuals, the principles of decision and the measure of damages shall be the same as are applicable to like actions between individuals. This act shall apply only to trespasses hereafter committed.

[Approved March 31, 1853.]