

Washingtonian Home, to be expended by the directors for the charitable purposes of the institution, in providing a refuge for incebriates and means for reforming them.

*Approved April 1, 1859.*

*Chap. 52.* RESOLVES TO ENFORCE PAYMENT OF DEBTS DUE TO THE COMMONWEALTH, ON ACCOUNT OF SALES OF THE PUBLIC LANDS IN MAINE.

Land agent to advertise list of tracts of land on which payments are due.

*Resolved,* That the land agent be, and hereby is directed, as soon as may be after the first day of May next, to advertise in the Bangor Jeffersonian and Portland Advertiser, newspapers printed in Maine, and in the Boston Daily Advertiser, the Boston Atlas and Daily Bee and the Boston Evening Traveller, a list of all tracts of land and timber on which there now are, or on or before the third day of September next, will be due, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, any promissory notes given for the purchase thereof, specifying in such list the notes due on the several tracts, the names of the promissors, and the amount of principal and interest which will then be due, and giving notice in such advertisements, to all parties interested in said tracts, that if said notes shall not be paid on or before the third day of September next, the said tracts will be declared forfeited to the Commonwealth, for breach of the condition of the deeds and contracts conveying the same.

Lands forfeited if notes are unpaid September thrid.

Lands on which payments are not made in one year from September, to be forfeited, except, &c.

*Resolved,* That in case said notes shall not be paid within one year after the third day of September next, then all said tracts of land and timber, on which payment shall not have been made, shall become, and are hereby declared to be, forfeited to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without further time for redemption, except as hereinafter provided, to wit: on payment of one-third part of the principal and interest due on the notes given for any tract or tracts of land or timber, advertised as aforesaid, to be made on or before the third day of September, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty, the forfeiture of such tract or tracts shall be postponed for one year; and on payment of one-half of the principal and interest remaining due, to be made on or before the third day of September, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-one, the forfeiture of such tract or tracts shall be further postponed for another year; and on payment of the balance of the principal and interest remaining due, on said notes, to be made on or before the third day of September, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the other conditions of the deed or contract having been performed, the forfeiture shall be wholly relieved, and the title of the purchaser under the deed or contract shall become

absolute: *provided, however*, that no timber or logs shall be cut or removed from any of said tracts, without security being first given, satisfactory to the treasurer and land agent, for payment of stumpage thereon, at the rate of two and a half dollars per ton for timber, and four dollars per thousand feet, board measure, for logs, at the woods' scale, to be made on the third day of September next after the cutting thereof, and indorsed on the notes given for the tract or tracts, on which the same shall have been cut, and to be accounted as payment, in whole or in part, of the several instalments above specified, in order of time as they mature; and in case timber or logs are so cut or removed, without security given as aforesaid, or such stumpage is not paid as aforesaid, then the tract or tracts, from which the same are cut or removed, shall not be saved from forfeiture, but shall be forfeited without further time for redemption.

*Resolved*, That if any part owner of any of said tract or tracts of land or timber, or any mortgagee thereof, fails to pay his proportion of the principal and interest to be paid as aforesaid, on the third day of September, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty, any other part owner or mortgagee, who on that day pays his part of said principal and interest, may, on the fourth day of said September, pay to the land agent the sum which is required to be paid on the previous day by such delinquent part owner, and shall have the right to complete the payments for the whole, in manner before provided, and having so done, shall be entitled to a deed of the interest in the tract or tracts forfeited by such delinquent part owner. No payment made by any part owner, shall save from forfeiture any part of any tract or tracts, unless the share of each delinquent part owner be paid and the land purchased in the manner before provided. If there be two or more part owners, who desire to pay their own shares of such sums, and to unite in paying the share of such delinquent part owner, they may do so, and be entitled to the forfeited interest of such delinquent part owner, in proportion to their own respective interests.

*Resolved*, That there be appointed a committee of the legislature, consisting of one on the part of the senate and two on the part of the house, whose duty it shall be, as soon as practicable after the adjournment of the present session, to examine into the value of all tracts of land and timber in Maine, held to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for payment of any notes whatsoever, and into the personal responsibility of the promissors on said notes, and to ascertain the probability of payment being made by them, or

Proviso.

Owners of lands failing to pay, &c., other owners may pay sums required, and receive a deed of the lands.

Committee to examine into value of lands held for non-payment, and settle claims of Commonwealth, &c.

realized from said lands and timber; also, to inquire into and consider the grounds of abatement prayed for by the petition of Cyrus S. Clark and William H. McCrillis; also, to confer with all parties interested in said tracts, for the purpose of obtaining, if practicable, an early settlement of said notes, in whole or in part, either by present payment, or by new and reliable securities; and to make report thereof to the governor and council: and said committee shall have power and authority, with the approval of the governor and council, to adjust, compromise and finally settle said notes, and the claims of the Commonwealth under said conditional deeds and contracts, on such terms as the interests of the Commonwealth may require, and as shall be just and equitable to the parties interested in said lands; and the land agent is hereby authorized, under the direction of the governor and council, to execute and deliver such deeds and instruments as may be required, on behalf of the Commonwealth, to carry such settlement into effect; and these resolves shall not be construed to invalidate any security, whether by contract or otherwise, now held by the Commonwealth.

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Land agent to  
execute deeds,  
&c.

*Chap. 53.* RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE GUARDIAN OF THE TRIBE OF PUNKAPOG INDIANS.

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*Resolved,* That there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, to the guardian of the tribe of Punkapog Indians, the sum of fifty-two dollars, for the benefit and sole use of Isaac Williams; also, the sum of fifty-two dollars, for the benefit and sole use of Elizabeth Bancroft, both members of said tribe, being in feeble health; the same being in addition to the sums allowed and paid to said guardian, by resolve of the year eighteen hundred and forty-five, chapter six, and of resolve of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five, chapter twenty.

*Approved April 2, 1859.*

*Chap. 54.* RESOLVE CONFIRMING THE RECORDS AND DOINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Records made  
valid, &c.

*Resolved,* That all the acts and proceedings of the Congregational Library Association, as the same now constitute the records of said association in possession of its recording secretary, be, and the same are hereby fully ratified, established and confirmed, and the said records be held valid and complete to all intents and purposes, as the acts, proceedings and records of a corporation duly organized and constituted, agreeably to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachu-