

# Transcription of Town of Portage Records 1874-1893

## blue hard cover book

(Transcription is as close as possible to original spelling and grammar~*Corrine M Routhier, Clerk 2020*)

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### Page 1:

\$40

Island Falls, Maine, May 5<sup>th</sup> 1892

For value received I promise to pay to the order of Levi H. May the sum of forty dollars and ---cents in twenty days from date with interest at 10 per cent per annum until paid.

Perry O. Prosser

In consideration of the sum of forty dollars and ---cents, the amount specified in the above note, and as collateral security for payment thereof, I, Perry O. Prosser of Portage Lake Plt., County of Aroostook and State of Maine, have this day sold and delivered to said Levi H. May one Gilden horse, age about fifteen years, color brown with a star in head and rear hind foot-white, the same I bought of Doll Nixon, the same is now in my possession. And I agree with said Levi H. May to keep said property in good order and condition, free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession. And I further agree with said Levi H. May that he or his authorized attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of law, at any time before or after maturity of said note, and to sell said property at public or private sale with or without notice and apply the proceeds of such sale first to the payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same, and for time and travel expended in endeavoring to collect the same after due, and balance to the payment of said note and interest, and that there shall be no redemption of any sale of said property and that he may enter into any part of buildings or premises for that purpose. Provided, nevertheless, if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions, and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained—then this instrument to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect. Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 1892.

Perry O. Prosser

The above is a true copy of writing left here to be recorded this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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### Page 2:

Of Portage Lake Plt., County of Aroostook and State of Maine, have this day sold and delivered to said Levi H. May as additional security to secure the payment of a note and mortgage of one hundred and fifty dollars given Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1889 and drawing interest at ten per cent to wit: one cow age five years old, color spotted red and white, and her increase allow one cow age eleven years old, color red with a star in the head, and belly and the last half of tail white, the same are now in Perry Prosser's possession. And I agree with said Levi H. May to keep said property in good order and condition, free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession, and I further agree with said Levi H. May that he or his authorized attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of law at any time before or after maturity of said note, and to sell said property at public or private sale, with or without notice, and apply the proceeds of such sale first to the payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same, and for time and travel expended in endeavoring to collect the same after due, and balance to the payment of said note and interest and that there shall be no redemption of any sale of said property, and that he may enter into any part of my buildings or premises for that purpose. Provided, nevertheless, if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions, and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained—then this instrument to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1892

Frank M. West

Witness to signature and delivery of property, Perry O. Prosser.

Received and recorded the above writing this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1892 and it is a true copy.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 3:**

To the Municipal Officers of Portage Lake Plt., in the State of Maine, in accordance with Section 21 of Chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891 entitled the Australian Ballot Law, the undersigned Democratic Committee of Portage Lake Plt. hereby nominate Charles S. Goss of Portage Lake Plt. as election clerk within and for said Plt. for the term of two years from this date to comply with the provisions of said section and respectfully require you to make such appointment. You are also asked to detail the Election Clerk as Ballot Clerk, and appoint in writing.

Democratic Committee of Portage Lake Plt., by

Charles S. Goss

Chairman for said Committee

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**Page 4:**

Known all men by these presents, that I, Perry O. Prosser, of Portage Lake in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of one hundred and twenty five dollars paid by J. Martin Nowland of Ashland, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to said J. Martin Nowland the following goods and chattels to wit: one Bay Mare with black points, four years old, same I bought of said Nowland, this day to have and to hold the same to the said grantee his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever, and I, the said Perry O. Prosser, do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same aforesaid, and I do for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Provided, nevertheless, that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors, administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators, or assigns, according to my notes of this date the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars in payments as follows: fifty dollars in ten months from date and seventy-five dollars in fourteen months from date, with interest, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1893.

Signed and delivered in presence of Helen A. Nowland,

Perry O. Prosser

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1893,

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 5:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the school house District No. 1 on Monday, March 31, at one o'clock, to choose the following officers and to act on any other business that may come before said meeting:

- 1 To choose a moderator to Govern said meeting
- 2 To choose Clerk for the ensuing year
- 3 To choose three Select men for the ensuing year
- 4 To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year
- 5 To choose a collector for the ensuing year
- 6 To choose a School agent for the ensuing year

N.W. Stevens  
A. A. Coffin, assessors, Portage Lake Plantation

March 31, 1873

The meeting opened at one o'clock P.M.

Chose Thomas West moderator, was sworn in by the Clerk

Chose Jarvis Hayward Clerk for the ensuing year

----- Jarvis Hayward first select man

----- A. A. Coffin, second -- --

----- N. W. Stevens three -- --

----- N. W. Stevens Treasurer

----- Orren L. Stevens Collector

----- LeRoy Coffin School agent

Voted to the Plantation raise one hundred dollars for the Support of School

Voted to raise one hundred dollars for the repair of roads to be worked out in labor

Voted Orren L. Stevens for road Surveyor

Voted Thomas West for Superintendent School Committee,

The above officers all have been duly Sworn in. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

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**Page 6:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the School House on Monday March 30th, 1874 at one o'clock P.M., Portage Lake, to act upon the following Articles namely:

Article 1 To choose moderator to Govern said meeting

Article 2 ----- Clerk for the ensuing year

Article 3 ----- three assessors for the ensuing year

Article 4 ----- Treasurer for the ensuing year

Article 5 ----- a Collector

Article 6 ----- School agent for the District 1

Article 7 To see what money shall be raised for Schools the ensuing year and to act upon any other business that may come before said meeting.

March 18th, 1874

Jarvis Hayward

N. W. Stevens, assessors, Portage Lake Plantation

This is a true copy of Town Warrant.

N.W. Stevens, Clerk P.T.

March 31, 1874 Meeting opened at one o'clock P.M.

Chose 1 N. Blake moderator

2 Jarvis Hayward, elected clerk and first Select man & assessor

N. W. Stevens second Select man & " "

Orren L. Stevens third " " & " "

Orren L. Stevens Collector

N. W. Stevens Jr. Highway Surveyor

School agent Jarvis Hayward

The meeting adjourned to April 15.

Met according to adjournment April 15, meeting adjourned to April 30.

April 30<sup>th</sup>, met according to adjournment. Meeting opened at one o'clock P.M. Chose Jarvis Hayward and N. W. Stevens Superintendent School Committee for the ensuing year.

Voted to raise one hundred and twenty five dollars for the support of schools.  
Voted to raise one hundred dollars for the repair of roads.

A true copy of March meeting, Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

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Note inserted between Pages 6 & 7:

School maps	3.00
Teachers	3.00
Cleaning S. Houses	4.00
Wood	2.50
broom	.35
box Crayons	.25
Visiting Schools	1.50
replacing seat	.50
Town business	5.00
	20.10
Credit for S. House	<u>4.00</u>
	16.10

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**Page 7:**

Portage Lake Plantation, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1874

D.O. Orcutt

Bought of Miles Gibbons one Brindle Heifer valued at twenty five dollars, now if the said Miles Gibbons shall pay to D.O. Orcutt the sum of fifteen dollars with interest three months from date, then this Bill Sale shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Miles Gibbons, X his mark

Attest Wm. H. McNally

The above is a true copy of the Bill Sale handed to me April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1874, 4 o'clock PM  
Jarvis Hayward, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 8:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote for Governor and Senators & representatives and all other officers that is to chosen for the ensuing year to meet at the School House Monday September 15th at on o'clock in the afternoon.

September 5, 1874

Jarvis Hayward

N. W. Stevens

Orren L. Stevens, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

List of Voters:

Nathan Blake	voted	Newcomb Stevens	voted
N.W. Stevens	- - -	Thomas West, Sr.	absent
Jarvis Hayward	- - -	John West	- - -
Edward Sutherland	- - -	Thomas West	- - -
Warren Fox	- - -	Michael West	- - -
Edward Fox	- - -		
John Fox	absent		
Sept 13, 1874	Orren L. Stevens		

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**Page 9:**

September 14<sup>th</sup>, 1874

Met according to Notice and voted for the following officers for the ensuing year:  
Nelson Dingley for Governor had eight votes

Samuel F. Hersey for Rep. to Congress	eight votes
C. F. A. Johnson for Senator	eight votes
Sylvanus H. Hussy for County Trea.	eight votes
H.O. Perry for County Commissioner	eight votes
Daniel Randall for Rep. to Legislature	eight votes

The above is a true copy of the Persons voted for  
Jarvis Hayward, Plant. Clerk

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**Page 10 (continued on Page 11):**

Know all men by these Presents, that I, Charles W. Sutherland of Portage Lake Plantation in the county of Aroostook, State of Maine, for and in consideration of one hundred dollars to us paid by Ulrich E. & Ezra Myrick Jr. of Mt. Chase in the county of Penobscot and State aforesaid, do hereby grant, bargain, sale and convey to said Ulrich E. & Ezra for the following described personal property to wit: one Span of horses, one grey horse eleven years old, one Bay Mare fourteen years old, being the same Span I have with me now at Mr.'s U. E. & E. Myrick's place in Mt. Chase.

To have and to hold the said Property to the Grantees aforementioned, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, to their only use and Benefit forever and I, the Grantor, aforementioned do covenant to and with the Grantees aforementioned, that I am the true and lawful owner of the aforescribed property and I have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in the manner aforesaid, and that I and my heirs, executors, administrators, shall and will warrant and defend the same to said grantees their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Provided, nonetheless, that this bill of sale shall be void if said Charles W. Sutherland, his executors or administrators, shall pay to said Ulrich E. & Ezra Myrick Jr their executors, administrators or assigns this certain note of hand of even date hereof payable in four months from date with interest at ten per cent per annum until paid. Provided also that it shall and may be lawful for said Grantor to continue in possession of the aforescribed property without denial or interruption of said Grantee upon untill maturity thereof.

In witness whereof, I, the said Charles W. Sutherland, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, AD 1874.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of A.J. Colburn  
Charles W. Sutherland

The above is a true copy of the Bill Sale handed to me by C. B. Carney, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 1874.

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk Portage Lake Plantation

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**Page 11:**

The Intention of Marriage between Horace W. Sutherland of Portage Lake and Maggie Sutherland of Nashville Plantation are this day recorded in Plantation Book. Apr. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1892

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1892

This day filled out certificate for Horace W. Sutherland for the purpose of getting married.  
Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 12:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the School house on Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1875, at one o'clock PM to act upon the following Articles:

- 1 to choose moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 to choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year and to act upon any business that may come before said meeting

Given under our hands, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1875

Jarvis Hayward

N.W. Stevens Jr., Select men of Portage Lake Plantation

March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1875

Met according to Notice.

Meeting opened at one o'clock PM

Chose Nathan Blake, moderator

- - - Jarvis Hayward, Clerk
- - - Jarvis Hayward, first Select man
- - - Orren L. Stevens, Second Select man
- - - N.W. Stevens Jr., third Select man
- - - N.W. Stevens, Sr., Treasurer
- - - N. W. Stevens Sr., Jarvis Hayward, Superintendent School Committee
- - - Orren L. Stevens, collector
- - - Nathan Blake, Road surveyor

Voted to raise one hundred twenty five dollars for support of schools

Voted to raise one hundred dollars to repair roads

Voted to work out our last years' road tax

The above officers were all duly sworn according to Law.

Meeting adjourned sine die.

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

**Page 13:**

This certifies that the Intention of marriage by and between Mr. Wilber Sutherland and Miss Grace McCormic both of Portage Lake Plantation were this day recorded in this Town book

by me, Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

March 30<sup>th</sup> 1875

**Page 14:**

Dalton, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1875

This day sold and delivered to J.A. Flint the following property:

one Black mare nine years old, value	\$100.00
one three year old cow, color red and white	\$25.00
one three year old bull--red and white	\$25.00
three two-year old heifers, value	\$45.00
one yearling heifer	<u>\$10.00</u>
	\$205.00

Received payment

Henry Soucie, X his mark

Witness, William H. McNally

If the annexed note is duly paid the above sale is Void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Dalton, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1875

For value received I promise to pay J.A. Flint or order fifty seven dollars and sixty five cents in demand and interest, and claim no right of redemption in annexed bill of sale.

Henry Soucie, X his mark

Witness, William H. McNally

The above is a true record of the Bill Sale recorded by me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 1875.

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

**Page 15:**

Notice, this is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote for Governor, Senator and Representative and all other officers to be elected for the ensuing year to meet at the School house Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at one o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1875,

Jarvis Hayward  
Orren L. Stevens  
N.W. Stevens, Jr., assessors, Portage Lake Plantation

List of Voters:

N.W. Stevens	voted
Orren L. Stevens	voted
N.W. Stevens Jr.	absent
Jarvis Hayward	voted
Sewell Goss	
Warren Fox	voted
John Fox	absent
Edward Fox	voted
Baltus Sousea	voted
Baltus Sousea, Jr	absent
Thomas West	voted
Thomas West, Jr.	voted
Michael West	voted
John West	voted
Wilbur Sutherland	voted
Nathan Blake	voted
Geo. Pishon	voted

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 1875  
following officers:

Met according to Notice and Voted for the

Seldon Connor for governor had	10 votes
Charles W. Roberts “ “ had	6 “ “
Harris M. Plaisted for Rep to Congress had	10 “ “
James C. Makejoy(?) “ “ “ “ had	6 “ “
Asa S. Townsend for Senator had	10 “ “
John P. Donsworth “ “ “ had	6 “ “
Albert A. Burleigh for County Commissioner had	11 “ “
Bradford Cummings “ “ “ “ had	6 “ “
Wallace L. Boyd for Sheriff had	10 “ “
Harry P. Cochrane “ “ had	6 “ “
Sylvanus H. Hussey for County Treas. had	10 “ “
James Nowland for Rep to Legislature had	11 “ “

**Page 16:**

The Intention of Marriage between Mr. Halbert Hayward and Miss Martha E. Brown, both of Portage Lake Plantation, were this day entered on the Town Book of Records

Portage Lake, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1875  
Jarvis Hayward, Plantation Clerk

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> 1875

This day filled out certificate for Halbert Hayward for the purpose of getting married.  
Jarvis Hayward, Plantation Clerk

This Certifies that the Intension of Marriage between David Biggs and Julia Brown, both of Portage Lake Plantation, were this day recorded in Town Book by me

Portage Lake                          Jarvis Hayward  
Dec. 17, 1875                          Clerk

Married at Portage Lake Plantation Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1875, Halbert Hayward to Miss Martha E. Brown, both of Portage Lake Plan., Me

M. R. Keefe

Married at Portage Lake Plantation, Dec. 22, 1875, David Biggs to Miss Julia Brown, both of Portage Lake Plan., Me

M. R. Keefe

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**Page 17:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plan qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the School House in said Plan on Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1876 at one o'clock PM to act upon the following articles:

- 1 to choose a moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 to choose a Town clerk for the ensuing year
- 3 to choose three assessors

and to choose all other officers that the Town deems fit at this meeting and to do any other business that may come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 23 day of March 1876

Orren L. Stevens

N.W. Stevens, Select men of Portage Lake Pl

March 31, 1876. Met at the School House agreeable to the foregoing notice---Edward Fox was chosen moderator.

Voted Jarvis Hayward Town Clerk

- - - - Jarvis Hayward first assessor
- - - - Orren L. Stevens second assessor
- - - - N.W. Stevens, Jr., third assessor
- - - - N. W. Stevens, Sr., Treasurer
- - - - Jarvis Hayward collector of taxes
- - - - N.W. Stevens, Jarvis Hayward Superintendent School committee
- - - - Orren L. Stevens school agent
- - - - N.W. Stevens Jr. Road agent
- - - - to raise one hundred dollars for the support of Schools for year 1876

Voted to raise one hundred dollars for the repair of roads for 1876

All the above officers was duly sworn in.

This is a true copy of the Town meeting.

N.W. Stevens Sr., clerk protem of Portage Lake Pl.

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**Page 18:**

The Intentions of Marriage between S.P. Hatch of Maysville and Kathie Fox of Portage Lake was recorded in Town records by me this twentieth day of May.

Portage Lake Plan., May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1876

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

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**Page 19:**

Be it know that I, Philip G. Brown, of Portage Lake, in consideration of ninety two dollars paid to me by C.W. Clayton of Township No. 11, Range 6, do sell and convey to said C.W. Clayton the following goods & chattel to wit:

One dark Bay horse five years old, the same I raised and now have in my possession,



warranted free from all encumbrance and against my adverse claims upon condition that I pay to said C.W. Clayton ninety 26/100 dollars in one year from date agreeable to my Note of this date that serves payable to said C.W. Clayton as one in demand this deed shall be void.

It is agreed that said Philip G. Brown shall remain in possession of said horse until conditions are broken. Witness my hand & seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 1876,  
Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of A.J. Flint.

Philip G. Brown

The above is a true copy of Bill Sale or deed handed to me by C.W. Clayton this 24 day of June 1876.

Jarvis Hayward, clerk

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**Page 20:**

Notice, this is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage lake Plantation, Aroostook Co., qualified to vote for Governor, Senator, and Representatives and all other officers to be elected for the ensuing year to meet at the School house Monday Sept. 11 eleventh at one o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated this 4 fourth day of September, 1876

Jarvis Hayward

List of Voters:

N.W. Stevens Sr.	voted X
N.W. Stevens Jr.	voted X
Orren L. Stevens	voted X
Jarvis Hayward	voted
Wilbur Sutherland	absent X
Geo. Pishon	voted X
Thomas West Sr.	voted X
Thomas West, Jr.	voted X
John West	absent
Michael West	voted X
Edward Fox	voted
Warren Fox	voted
Sewell Goss	voted X
Sherb Bragdon	X
Nathan Blake	voted X
William W. Orr	X
Hanson E. Goss	X

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**Page 21:**

September 11, 1876

Met agreeable to the foregoing notice and voted for the following officers:

Seldon Connor for Governor had	ten votes
John C. Talbot " " had	two -- --
Lewellyn Powers for Rep. to Congress had	5 five -- --
John P. Donsworth for " " had	three -- --
Lyndon Oak for Rep to Congress had	three -- --
Parker P. Burleigh for Senator had	nine votes, 16"D
Edmund Madigan for " " had	three votes
Henry R. Downs for Judge Probate had	three votes
Calvin B. Roberts for " " had	two -- --
Nicholas Fessenden for Reg. probate	ten -- --
William I. Spear for " "	two -- --
William Robinson for County attorney	ten -- --

Peter C. Kegan for “ “	two -- --
Lewis B. Johnson for county treas.	ten -- --
Henry P. Cochran for “ “	two -- --
Ransom Norton for clerk of County	ten -- --
Benjamin L. Staples for “ “	two -- --
James W. Ambrose for county commissioner	ten -- --
Jacob Hardison for “ “ “ “	two -- --
Andrew J. Berry for Rep. to Legis.	ten -- --
William H. Libby for “ “ “ “	two -- --

**Page 22:**

The Intentions of Marriage between Newcom W. Stevens and Clara E. Brown both of Portage Lake was this day recorded in Town book.

Portage Lake Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1876

Jarvis Hayward, Town Clerk

**Page 23:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the School House in said Plantation on Monday March the nineteenth day, 19, 1877, at one o'clock PM to act upon[sic] the following articles

- 1<sup>st</sup> to choose a moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 to choose a town clerk for the ensuing year
- 3 to choose three assessors

Also to choose all other officers the Town thinks proper and to do all business that may come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this twelfth day of March 1877

Jarvis Hayward, assessor Portage Lake Plantation

Monday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1877

Met according to Notice, N.W. Stevens chosen moderator

Jarvis Hayward chosen clerk

For reason of the absence of a large number of the Towns' people, moved to adjourn until Monday April 16<sup>th</sup>, it is as voted.

Opened adjourned meeting April 16

Chose Jarvis Hayward 1<sup>st</sup> assessor for the ensuing year

-- -- -- Orren L. Stevens second assessor for the ensuing year

-- -- -- N.W. Stevens Jr. third assessor

-- -- -- N.W. Stevens treasurer

Voted N.W. Stevens Jr. and Philip W. Brown for Superintendent school committee

-- -- -- David Ross school agent

-- -- -- Henry Hayward collector

Fred Brown road surveyor for 1877

Voted to raise one hundred dollars for support of schools

-- -- -- to raise seventy five dollars for repair of roads to be paid in lumber

The above officers have all been duly sworn to perform all their duties pertaining to their offices.

There being no further business, meeting closed.

Jarvis Hayward, clerk

**Page 24:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, Aroostook Co., State of Maine, qualified to vote for Governor, Senators and Representatives and all other

State & County officers to be elected for the ensuing year to meet at the School House  
Monday September the tenth 10<sup>th</sup> 1877 at one o'clock PM

Dated at Portage Lake Plantation

4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1877

Jarvis Hayward, clerk

\$50.00 Ashland, Maine, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 1891

One year after date I promise to pay to the order of William Murray, fifty-dollars at  
Ashland with interest at the rate of 6 % per annum till paid.

John McGowan

\$52.50 Ashland, Maine, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 1891

Two years after date I promise to pay to the order of William Murray, fifty two and  
50/100 dollars at Ashland with interest at the rate of 6% per annum till paid.

John McGowan

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**Page 25:**

Know all men by these presents that I, John McGowan, of Portage Lake, Maine, for and  
in consideration of the sum of one hundred and two 50/100 to me in hand paid by  
William Murray of the same place as and before the sealing delivery of the presents, the  
receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have bargained, sold and delivered, and by the  
presents do bargain, sell, and deliver unto the said William Murray one black mare  
twelve or thirteen years old, one white hind foot.

To have and to hold the said goods unto the said William Murray, his executors,  
administrators and assigns to his and their own proper use and benefit forever.

As I, the said John McGowan, for myself and my heirs, executors, and administrators  
warrant and defend the said bargained mare unto the said William Murray, his  
executors, administrators, and assigns from and against all persons whomsoever in  
witness whereof I have this day set my hand and seal.

John McGowan

Ashland, Maine, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 1891

Witness, C.S. Gregory

Received and recorded the above this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1892 and it is a true copy of  
writing handed to me by Henry A. Hayward.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 26:**

Notice, this is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to  
vote in Town affairs to meet at the School house District No 1, Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>  
1878 at one o'clock PM

To act upon[sic] the following articles viz

- 1 To choose a moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 To elect Town Clerk
- 3 To elect three assessors for ensuing year
- 4 To elect Treasurer

And to act upon any other business that may come before said meeting

Jarvis Hayward

N.W. Stevens

O.L. Stevens, assessors

Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1878

Met agreeable to above Notice and and elected the following officers for the ensuing year

N. Blake moderator Sworn

Jarvis Hayward, Town Clerk Sworn

Jarvis Hayward first assessor Sworn

O.L. Stevens, second -- -- Sworn  
N.W. Stevens Jr., third -- -- Sworn  
N.W. Stevens, Sr., Treasurer Sworn  
Fred G. Brown, school agent -- -- --

Voted To raise one hundred dollars for schools

Voted To raise on hundred dollars for roads, fifty dollars to be expensed from Woodford Brown's North line towards north line of Town and fifty dollars to be expensed from Woodford Brown's North line towards south line of Town.

Cornelius Lennegan agent for North District & Henry Hayward agent for South District  
N.W. Stevens Sr., collector

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

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**Page 27:**

Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1879

Met agreeable to above Notice and elected the following officers for the ensuing year

Jarvis Hayward, clerk, Duly Sworn

Jarvis Hayward, first assessor Sworn

O.L. Stevens, second assessor Sworn

N.W. Stevens, third assessor Sworn

N.W. Stevens, Sr., Treas.

Jarvis Hayward, N.W. Stevens, Superintendent school committee

N.W. Stevens, collector

N.W. Stevens

Voted to raise one hundred dollars for the support of school for the ensuing year

Voted to raise one hundred dollars for repair of roads, fifty dollars to be expensed from Woodford Brown's south line toward North line of Town, and fifty dollars to be expensed from Woodford Brown's South line toward South line of Town.

James McGowan road survey for North District

Henry Hayward road surveyor for South District

Jarvis Hayward, Clerk

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**Page 28:**

Know all men by these Presents, that Clara E. Sutherland of Portage Lake Plantation in the consideration of the sum of two hundred & ninety dollars, paid by W.P. Bridgham of Ashland, Maine, the receipt whereof I the said Clara E. Sutherland to hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said W. P. Bridgham the following good & chattels to wit: one mare color bay eleven years old, same I raised, also one white cow same I had of May, also one cow color red, same I bought of Sam Stevens, also one yearling steer color red & white, same I raised, also five tons of hay situated in the Northwest-corner of my barn in Portage Lake. To have and to hold the said Property unto the said Bridgham, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to his only proper use, benefit and behoof forever. And I, the said Clara E. Sutherland do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of the said Property, and have in my full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in manner aforesaid, and I do for myself, heirs, executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said Property against the lawful claims and demand of all persons whomsoever unto him the said Bridgham heirs, executors, administrators or assigns. Provided nevertheless that if the said Clara E. Sutherland, my executors, administrators or assigns shall pay unto the said W.P. Bridgham executors, administrators or assigns the sum of two hundred and ninety dollars in payment as follows: \$50 in 3 months, \$50 in six months and one hundred ninety dollars in one year from this date with interest at six per cent per annum, payable annually, then this bill of sale as also a certain promissory note bearing even date with

these presents given by the said Clara E. Sutherland to the said to pay W. P. Bridgham the sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall be void, otherwise shall remain in full force. In witness whereof I, the said Clara E. Sutherland, have hereunto set my hand this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety three. Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of Mrs. Clara E. Sutherland

This writing is a true copy of bill of sale sent me by W.P. Bridgham to be recorded this 25 day of October, 1893.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 29:**

Know all men by these Presents, that Perry Prosser of Portage Lake Plantation in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of Forty 00/100 dollars paid by Henry Hayward of Portage Lake Plantation in the County of Aroostook and State of Maine, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell and convey to said Hayward the following goods and chattels to wit: one white horse Gelding fourteen years old, same had of said Hayward. To have and to hold the same to the said Grantee his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I, the said Perry Prosser, do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right, and lawful authority to dispose of the same, as aforesaid. And I do for myself, heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demand of all persons. Provided, nevertheless, that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators or assigns the sum of Forty dollars according to the term of two promissory notes of even date here-with for twenty dollars each, payable in three and six months from date, interest at 6% annually until paid, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, A.D., 1893.

Perry O. Prosser

Signed and Delivered in presents of Millard D. Brown

The above is a true copy of writing sent here to be recorded this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 1893.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 30:**

Notice

This is to Notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation to vote in State and county affairs to meet at the School House in Portage Plantation Monday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1878 at one o'clock in the afternoon to then and there vote for Governor and Representatives to Congress and all other county officer to be chosen this date

August 26<sup>th</sup>, 1878

O.L. Stevens

N.W. Stevens, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

List of Voters

O.L. Stevens	voted
N.W. Stevens Sr.	absent
N.W. Stevens Jr.	voted
Thomas West Sr.	voted
Thomas West Jr.	voted
Michael West	voted
John West	voted
Edward Fox	voted

Warren Fox	voted
Wilbur Sutherland	voted
Delbert Sutherland	voted
Charles Clark	voted
Sewell S. Goss	voted
Hanson Goss	absent
Sherb Bragdon	absent
William Orr	-- --
Charles Morrill	voted
George Pishon	voted
Jarvis Hayward	voted

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**Page 31:**

Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1878

Met agreeable to foregoing Notice and voted for the following officers:

Joseph L. Smith for Governor had	9 votes
Alonzo Garcling “ “ “ “ had	2 “ “
Seldon Connor for Governor had	4
Lewellyn Powers for Rep. to Congress had	4 votes
George W. Ladd for “ “ “ “ had	11 votes
Edmond Madigan for Senator had	11 votes
John S. Arnold “ “ “ “ had	4
John Burnham for Rep. to Legislature had	4 votes
Daniel Lewis for “ “ “ “ had	11
Albert A. Burleigh for county commish had	4 votes
John Nadeau for “ “ “ “ had	3 votes
Columbus Hayford for county commish had	8 votes
Lewis B. Johnson for county Treas. had	4 votes
Lyman S. Shackland “ “ “ “ had	11 votes
Fred Barker for Sheriff had	4 votes
Richard L. Barker “ “ had	11

Attest Jarvis Hayward, clerk

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**Page 32:**

The Intentions of marriage between William Orr and Elizabeth Goodblood, both of Portage Lake Plantation, is recorded in Town records this first day of October 1878 by me,

Jarvis Hayward, clerk

To all whom it may concern, our father was present to the wedding or the late William H. Orr and Miss Elizabeth Goodblood, both of Portage Lake Plantation in the county of Aroostook in the State of Maine. They was married in Ashland Oct 12<sup>th</sup>, 1878 by the late Stephen P. Hews, Esq., a trial justice, we was eye witness to the ceremony.

Ashland, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 1881

Caroline T. Hews

Ida C. Hews

Aroostook ss, Personally appeared before me Miss Caroline T. Hews and Ida C. Hews the day and year above written, and made oath to the truth of the foregoing Statement subscribed and sign by them to be true and they are entitle to credit and verocity and good standing in society.

Edward F. Garland  
Justice of the Peace

The above is a true copy of statement handed to me to be to be recorded, it was handed to me by Mrs. Elizabeth Orr, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1881.

Orren L. Stevens  
Plantation Clerk, Portage Lake

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**Page 33:**

Notice, March 22, 1880

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation to vote in Town affairs to meet at the School House on Monday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1880, to vote upon the following articles

- 1<sup>st</sup> to choose a moderator
- 2 to choose a clerk for the ensuing year
- 3 to choose three assessors “ “ “ “
- 4 to choose a treasurer “ “ “ “
- 5 to choose collector
- 6 to choose a School agent

And to act upon any other Business that may come before said meeting.

Jarvis Hayward,  
O.L. Stevens, assessors, Portage Lake Plantation

Monday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1880

Met agreeable to above Notice

Chose N.W. Stevens moderator

“ “ O.L. Stevens, clerk

Jarvis Hayward first assessor

N.W. Stevens second “ “

O.L. Stevens third “ “

O.L. Stevens treasurer

N.W. Stevens Jr. collector

Jarvis Hayward school agent

Voted to raise one hundred dollars for Schools

Voted to one hundred dollars to repair roads, to be worked out in labor as follows: fifty dollars to be expended from Woodford Brown's north line toward north line of the Town, fifty dollars to be expended from Woodford's north line towards South line of Town.

Henry Hayward agent for South Dist.

Jerrie McGowan agent for North Dist.

All the above officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 35:**

Portage Lake, August the 4, 1880

Henry A. Hayward bought of Henry Neddeau, one two year old heifer color brown, with a white star in her forehead, being the same which I bought of Henry A. Hayward aforesaid.

Received payment

The condition of the above Bill of Sale is such that if I, Henry Neddeau, pay Henry A. Hayward or his heirs a note of hand bearing the same date with this instrument for \$24 on the first day of April 1881, this Bill of sale is of no affect, otherwise of full force and virtue. Witness my hand the day and date above written. Henry Neddeau, X his mark  
Witness O.L. Stevens

Portage Lake, August the 4, 1880

For value received, I promise to pay Henry A. Hayward or his heirs the sum of twenty four dollars on the first day of April 1881. Henry Neddeau, X his mark

Witness O.L. Stevens

The above is a true copy of the Bill Sale and Note of hand handed to me August the 4, 1880 by Henry A. Hayward.

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

**Page 36:**

Notice

The Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plan. qualified to vote according to the Constitution of the State of Maine are notified and warned to assemble at the school house Monday the thirteenth day of Sept. AD 1880 at one o'clock in the afternoon, to give in their votes for Governor, Senator, and Representatives to Represent them in the Legislature of the State of Maine, Representatives to Congress and all other state & county officers to be Elected for the Ensuing year.

Given under our hands at Portage Lake Plan. this sixth day of Sept in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred & Eighty.

The Polls to close at 4 o'clock PM

Jarvis Hayward, assessor of Portage Lake Plantation

List of Voters

O.L. Stevens	voted	Jarvis Hayward	voted
N.W. Stevens, Sr.	voted	Sherb Bragdon	voted
N.W. Stevens, Jr.	voted	A.I. Bragdon	voted
Dell Sutherland	voted	Albert Bolstridge	voted
Wilbur Sutherland	voted	Fred Bolstridge	voted
Thomas West Sr.	voted	Charles Ross	voted
Thomas West Jr.	voted	Sewell Goss	voted
Samuel C. Stevens	voted	Warren Fox	voted
Hanson Goss	ab.	Edward Fox	voted

**Page 37:**

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 1880 Met according to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following officers:

- David F. Davis for Governor had twelve
- Harris M. Plaisted “ “ had six
- Charles A. Boutelle for representative to Congress had twelve
- G.W. Ladd “ “ “ “ had six
- Len Sears for Senator had twelve
- David Dudly “ “ “ “ had six
- Alfond Cushman Jr. for Sheriff had twelve
- Benjamin Alexander “ “ “ “ had six
- Almond H. Fogg for County Treas. had twelve
- Thomas M. Bradbury “ “ “ “ had six
- H.C. Perry for County Comish had twelve
- Joseph D. Emmery “ “ “ “ had six
- Harry R. Downs for Judge of Probate had twelve
- Lyman S. Strickland “ “ “ “ for six
- Ransom Norton for register of Probate had twelve
- William L. Spear “ “ “ “ had six
- John Burnham for Rep to Legislature had nine
- James A. Flint “ “ “ “ had nine



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Notice

The Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote are requested to meet at the School House Tuesday Nov 2 at one o'clock in the afternoon to give in their vote for President and Vice President of the United States---polls to close at four o'clock. Given under our hands this 23 day of Oct in the year of our Lord 1880

Jarvis Hayward

O.L. Stevens, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

List of Voters

O.L. Stevens	voted	Jarvis Hayward	voted
N.W. Stevens Sr	voted	Sherb Bragdon	voted
N.W. Stevens, Jr	voted	A.I. Bragdon	voted
Dell Sutherland	voted	Delbert Bolstridge	voted
Wilbur Sutherland	voted	Fred Bolstridge	voted
Thomas West Sr	absent	Charles Ross	absent
Thomas West Jr	voted	Sewell Goss	voted
Samuel C. Stevens	voted	Warren Fox	voted
Harison Goss	voted	Edward Fox	voted

Nov 2, 1880 Met according to the foregoing Notice and Voted for the following Electors for President and Vice President:

- Joseph S. Wheelwright had ten votes
- Ira H. Foss “ “ ten Votes
- Elisha H. Jewett “ “ ten Votes
- Otis Haford “ “ ten Votes
- Edwin Flye “ “ ten Votes
- Lewis B. Johnson “ “ ten Votes
- Seward B. Hume “ “ ten Votes
- Samuell Watts had six Votes
- Salon Chase “ “ six Votes
- George W. Worster “ “ six Votes
- Richard A Frye “ “ six Votes
- Charles B. Whidden “ “ six Votes
- William A. Cromwell “ “ six Votes
- Johan P. Donsworth “ “ six Votes

**Page 39:**

The Intention of marriage between Arron F. Metcalf and Annie Sweeney both of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in the Town Book.

Portage Lake, Dec the 28, 1880

Orren L. Stevens, Town Clerk

January the 1, 1881

This day filled out certificate for Arron F. Metcalf for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

Plantation Clerk of Portage Lake

This certifies that Arron F. Metcalf and Annie Sweeney both of Portage Lake were lawfully joined in marriage at Ashland, Jan 2, 1881.

M.R. Keefe

**Page 40:**

The Intention of marriage between Ai F. Bragdon and Olive Furlock both of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in Town Book.

Portage Lake, Jan the 14, 1881

Jan the 18, 1881

This day filled out certificate for Ai F. Bragdon for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 41:**

Ashland, Maine

13 January 1881

Mr. Nathan Winslow, bought of Ai Bragdon

One yoke of Oxen (one 5 yrs & one 6 yrs old) speckled color & the same cattle which I bought of my father.     \$100.00

Received payment

The conditions of the above Bill of Sale is That if Ai Bragdon or his representatives shall pay Nathan Winslow or his representatives twenty nine dollars & seventeen cts., in ten months from this date, then this Bill of sale & likewise a Note of hand for like amount (\$29.17) of this date shall both be void and of no affect, otherwise of full force and virtue.

Ai Bragdon

The above is a true copy of Bill Sale handed to me by Ai Bragdon this 14 day of Jan. 1881 at 7 o'clock P.M.

Orren L. Stevens  
Plantation Clerk

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**Page 42:**

Notice

This is to Notify and Warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the School house at on o'clock PM Monday the twenty eighth to act upon the folowing articles, Namely:

- 1 To choose moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 To choose clerk for the ensuing year
- 3 To choose three assessors
- 4 To choose Treasurer
- 5 To choose School agent
- 6 To choose any other officers or to act upon any other business that may come before said meeting

Given under our hands, March the 19, 1881

N.W. Stevens Jr.

Orren L. Stevens, assessors Portage Lake Plantation

Monday March the twenty eighth

Met agreeable to the above Notice

Chose N.W. Stevens Jr. for Moderator

Voted to adjourn meeting to Monday April the 11, 1881, it is a vote.

Orren L. Stevens, clerk

Opened adjourned meeting April the 11.

Chose Orren L. Stevens for clerk for the ensuing year

- - - Jarvis Hayward for first assessor
- - - Sherburn Bragdon second
- - - Albert Bolstridge third
- - - Orren L. Stevens Treasurer
- - - N.W. Stevens Jr. for School Agent
- - - Sherburn Bragdon collector of taxes

Voted Mrs. N.W. Stevens Sr. and Mrs. Martha Hayward for Sup. School committee

- - - to raise one hundred dollars for schools
- - - Not to raise any money for road repairs but to work out the County Tax.

The above officers have been duly sworn to perform their duties faithfully. No further business.

Meeting closed.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 43:**

Know all Men by these Presents, that I, Albert Bolstridge of Portage Lake in the County of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of forty eight dollars paid by Benentt Kinney and John Watson of Houlton in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) do hereby bargain, sell and convey to the said Kinney and Watson the following goods and chattels to wit: one horse of a grey color, eleven years old last spring, the same I bought of William Gardner of Ashland, Me, also one waggon 1 ½ inch axle painted yellow and striped black, the same I have this day bought of said Kinney and Watson.

To have and to hold the same to the said grantees, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever and I, the said Albert Bolstridge, do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right and lawfull authority to dispose of the same as aforesaid and I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said grantees, their heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Provided nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I, my heirs, executors or administrators, shall pay said grantees or their executors, administrators or assigns according to my note of this date to wit; one note for forty eight dollars in eight months from June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1881 with interest at 8 per cent.

Witness my hand this thirteenth day of June A.D., 1881.

Signed and delivered in presence of R.S. Clough.

Albert Bolstridge

The above is a true copy of Bill Sale sent me by Kinney and Watson, Houlton. Rec'd the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881 at 10 o'clock A.M.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 44:**

The Intention of Marriage between G.B. Hayward of Ashland and S. Lizzie Stevens of Portage Lake were this day recorded by me in Town Book.

Portage Lake, Oct 3, 1881

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1881

This day filled out certificate for G.B. Hayward for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 45:**

Notice

This is to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the School House on Monday March the twenty seventh at one o'clock PM to act upon the folowing articles, namely:

- 1 To choose a moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 To choose a clerk for the ensuing year
- 3 To choose three assessors
- 4 To choose a treasurer
- 5 To choose a school agent
- 6 To see if the Plantation shall be divided in to three school districts
- 7 To see if there shall be a school house built in district No. two
- 8 To act upon any other business that may come before the meeting.

Given under our hands the 18 day of March, 1882

Sherburn Bragdon

Albert Bolstridge, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

Monday March 27, met agreeable to the above Notice.

Chose N.W. Stevens Sr. for moderator. Voted to adjourn meeting to April the 10, 1882, it is a vote.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 46:**

Opened adjourned meeting April the 10, 1882

Chose Orren L. Stevens for Clerk for the ensuing year

- - - Sherburn Bragdon for first assessor
- - - Jarvis Hayward for second assessor
- - - Frederic Bolstridge for third assessor
- - - Orren L. Stevens for Treasurer
- - - N.W. Stevens Jr for school agent
- - - Sherburn Bragdon for tax collector

Voted to have Jarvis Hayward and Sherburn Bragdon for Supt. School committee

- - - to raise one hundred dollars for schools
- - - to raise twenty five dollars to buy land for graveyard
- - - to have N.W. Stevens Sr., Edward Fox and Henry A. Hayward for Committee on graveyard
- - - to buy the land and arrange the same as they choose to do the rest of the inhabitants to meet and help do the mark as then called on by the committee
- - - to have twenty weeks school between the first of May and last of October 1882,

and to have no winter school

Amount of money in Treasury \$102.76

Amount not collected \$12.53

Amount of unpaid bills \$17.00

The above officers have been duly sworn to perform their duties faithfully.

No further business, meeting closed.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 47:**

Notice

The Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation are required to meet at the school house Monday July 9 at 2 o'clock PM to raise money to be laid out on road in said Plantation and appoint two road surveyors to properly expend the amount raised.

Sherburn Bragdon

Jarvis Hayward

Charles F. Bolstridge, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

Monday July 3, 1882

Met agreeable to the above Notice, chose Albert Bolstridge for Moderator. Voted to raise \$150 for repairs on road. Chose David Ross Sr. for agent in district No 1, chose Cornelius Lanagan agent in district No 2. No further business. Meeting closed.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 48:**

Portage Lake Plantation, August 7<sup>th</sup> 1882

List of voters qualified to vote in the aforesaid plantation for Governor and other Officers in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty two.

Sherburn Bragdon

Fred Bolstridge, assessors

Bolstridge, Albert	X	Ross, Charles	X
Bolstridge, Fred	X	Walter W. McGowan	X
Bragdon, Sherburn	X	Stevens, N.W. Sr.	X
Bragdon, A.F.	X	Stevens, N.W. Jr.	X
<del>Brown, Alexander</del>		Stevens, O.L.	X
Fox, Edmund	X	Stevens, Samuel	X
Fox, Warren	X	Southerland, G. A.	absent
Goss, C.S.	X	Southerland, Wilber	X
Goss, H.E.	X	Southerland, George	X
Hayward, Jarvis	X	West, Thomas	X
Clark, Charles	X	Joseph Goodblood	X

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**Page 49:**

Notice

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation:

Greeting,

you are hereby requested and warned to meet at the School House in said Plantation on Monday the Eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty two at ten o'clock a.m. to give in your votes for Governor, Senators, representatives and other officers.

Given under our hands this second day of September in year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty two.

Assessors

Sherburn Bragdon

Charles F. Bolstridge

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**Page 50:**

Sept the 11, 1882

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following officers:

For Governor

Frederick Robie had Thirteen votes

Harris M. Plaisted had Seven

For Representatives to Congress

Thomas B. Reed had Thirteen

Nelson Dingley Jr. " " "

Charles A. Boutelle " " "

Seth L. Milliken " " "

George W. Ladd had Seven

Thompson H. Murch " "

Daniel H. Thing " "

Joseph Dane " "

For Senators

Elisha E. Parkhurst had Fifteen

Peter C. Keegan " " Five

For Representatives to the legislature

James W. Ambrose had Ten

Daniel Lewis " " Nine

For County Attorney

Charles P. Allen had Thirteen

Albert W. Madagan " " Seven

For County Commissioner

Martin V.B. Hall had Thirteen

John Burnham " " Thirteen

John A. Nadeau had Seven  
James B. Lindsey “ “ Seven  
For County Treasurer  
Charles D. Merritt had Thirteen  
Thomas M. Bradbury “ “ Seven  
For Clerk of Courts  
Ransom Norton had Thirteen  
Benjamin L. Staples “ “ Seven  
For Register of Deeds  
Hadley Fairfield had Thirteen  
Henry H. Ward “ “ Seven  
For Sheriff  
Lewis B. Johnson had Thirteen  
George W. Whidden “ “ Seven

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 52:**

Know all men by these present, that I, James McCormack of Portage Lake Pl, county of Aroostook, State of Maine, for and in consideration of one hundred and thirty dollars to wit paid by R.N. Lovejoy of the town of Chesterville, county of Franklin and State aforesaid do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey to said Lovejoy the following described personal property to wit: one Portland style Wagon which I have this day bought of said Lovejoy, also one stallion six (6) years old color bay, the same raised by me.

To have and to hold the said property to him, the grantee aforesaid, his heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, to their only use and benefit forever, and I, the grantor aforesaid, do covenant to and with the grantee aforesaid that I am the true and lawful owner of the aforesaid property and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in manner aforesaid, and that I and my heirs, executors, and administrators shall and will warrant and defend the same to said grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Provided nevertheless that this bill of sale shall be void if said James McCormack, his executors or administrators shall pay to said Lovejoy, his executors, administrators or assigns a certain note of hand of even terms and date of this instrument for the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars and interest payable to said Lovejoy or order, one year from date. Provided also that it shall and may be lawful for said grantor to continue in possession of the aforesaid property without denial or interruption by said grantee untill default of payment of said note.

In witness whereof I, the said James McCormack, have hereunto set my hand this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, A.D. 1882.

Signed and delivered in presence of Lewis C. Coffin.

James McCormack

This is a true copy of bill of sale sent me by R.N. Lovejoy of Chesterville, County of Franklin Rec'd this 13<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 1882 at 11 o'clock A.M.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk

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**Page 53:**

Know all men by these presents, that I, Sefroe Nadeau now residing at Goss Hill, Aroostook Co., Me, in consideration of seventy five dollars to me Paid by the Singer Manufacturing Company do hereby grant, sell and convey to said company the following

good and chattels to wit: one grey mare the same I had of J.H. Page, color grey, seven years old and one cow six years old, color red, and one Buggy, the same I had of the Singer Mfg. Co, also one single harness which I have of the Singer Mfg. Co. Warranted free from any incumbrance and agree to keep said property in as good condition as it now is, free of expence to said company, and subject to the order of said company for the space of one year if they, the said company, so desire, and I hereby put said Co. in possession of said property by delivering to them this deed. This grant is intended as security for the payment of one buggy and one harness, balance due seventy five dollars, which payment if duly made will render this conveyance void. In Witness whereof the said Sefroe Nadeau has hereunto set his hand and seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June 1883 A.D., 1883

Sefroe Nadeau, X his mark

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of attest,  
S.D. Harper  
Frank Carpenter

The above is a true copy of Bill of Sale handed to me by Frank Carpenter of Fort Kent this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1883 at 10 o'clock a.m.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan clerk

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**Page 54:**

The Intentions of marriage between Adelbert Sutherland and Ella E. Ross, both of Portage Lake, was this day recorded by me in Plantation Book.

Portage Lake, Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, 1883

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

By the hand of Mary H. Stevens

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 1883,

This day filled out certificate for Adelbert Sutherland for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, clerk

By the hand of Mary H. Stevens

This certifies that Adelbert Sutherland and Ella E. Ross, both of Portage Lake, were joined in marriage by me at Portage Lake.

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 1883

M. R. Keefe

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**Page 55:**

The intentions of Marriage between Sherburn Bragdon of Portage Lake and Lydia W. Depolia of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in Plantation Book.

Portage Lake, Mar 14<sup>th</sup>, 1883

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

By the hand of Mary H. Stevens

March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1883

This day filled out certificate for Sherburn Bragdon for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

By the hand of Mary H. Stevens

This certifies that Sherburn Bragdon of Portage Lake and Lydia W. Depolia of No 12 R 6 were by me lawfully joined in marriage at No 11 R 6

March 13, 1883

M.R. Keefe

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**Page 56:**

Notice

The Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation are requested to meet at the School house on Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> 1883 at 2 o'clock P.M. to act upon the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting
2. To choose plant. Clerk for the ensuing year
3. To choose three assessors
4. To choose a Treasurer
5. To choose a School Committee

Also to act upon any other business that may come before the meeting.

March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1883

Sherburn Bragdon

Jarvis Hayward, assessors of Portage Lake Plt.

Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> 1883

Met agreeable to the above Notice:

Chose Jarvis Hayward for moderator

- - - Orren L. Stevens for Plt. Clerk

- - - Sherburn Bragdon first assessor

- - - Jarvis Hayward second

- - - Frederic Bolstridge third

- - - Orren L. Stevens Treasurer

- - - Jarvis Hayward, Mrs. N.W. Stevens and Mrs. Hal Hayward for School Committee

- - - Sherburn Bragdon collector of taxes

- - - Sherburn Bragdon School agent

Voted to accept Sherburn Bragdon's bill for collecting taxes, \$13,75, also O.L. Stevens' bill for services, \$5.00

- - - to raise \$75.00 for Schools and \$80.00 for repairs on School house, also to have Jarvis Hayward, Henry A. Hayward and Sherburn Bragdon for committee to expend the money on school house.

- - - to raise \$150 for repairs on road

Chose C.S. Goss for road agent in North district and David Ross in South district.

All officers have been duly sworn

Orren L. Stevens, Plt. Clerk

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Sept the 29, 1883

This is to certify that Fredric Bolstridge has been chosen constable of Portage Lake Plant. by the assessors of the said Plant.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 58:**

The Intentions of marriage between Walter W. McGowan and Lizzie E. McGowan both of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in Plantation book.

Portage Lake, April the 6, 1883

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

Apr the 8, 1883

This day filled out certificate for Walter McGowan for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

This certifies that Walter McGowan and Lizzie E. McGowan both of Portage Lake were by me legally joined in Marriage at Ashland

April 8, 1883.

M.R. Keefe

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Notice



In the name of the state of Maine, the Inhabitants of Portage Lake qualified by law to vote in town affairs are hereby notified and warned to meet at the school house on March the (31) thirty first to choose a moderator to preside in said meeting, second to choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing, third to see if the Town will raise sums of money for schools and roads.

Given under our hands at Portage Lake this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord 1884.

Sherburn Bragdon  
Jarvis Hayward, assessors of Portage Lake

March 31st, 1884

The voters of Portage Lake met according to the foregoing Notice and chose N.W. Stevens Jr. for moderator, N.W. Stevens Sr. clerk protem. Voted to adjourn to the second Monday in April at one o'clock.

N.W. Stevens Sr., clerk protem

Portage Lake, Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, 1884

Met agreeable to above Notice.

Chose Orren L. Stevens for Clerk

- - - Sherburn Bragdon for first assessor
- - - C.F. Bolstridge for second
- - - Orren L. Stevens for third
- - - Sherburn Bragdon collector
- - - Orren L. Stevens treasurer
- - - Samuel C. Stevens school agent
- - - J.H. Hayward for road agent for South dist.
- - - C.S. Goss for road agent for North dist.
- - - C.F. Bolstridge for constable
- - - J. Hayward, J. H. Hayward and Mrs. N.W. Stevens for School Committee
- - - Henry A. Hayward, W.O. Brown, C. W. Fox for Committee to expend money on graveyard.
- - - Con Lanagan for Sexton

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**Page 60:**

Voted to raise seventy five dollars for Schools

- - - to raise one hundred and fifty dollars for repairs on roads
- - - to raise fifty dollars for repairs on grave yard
- - - to abate Charles Clark tax for the year 1883

Chose Jarvis Hayward, Henry A. Hayward and Sherburn Bragdon for committee to expend money on School house.

No further business before the meeting, the officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Plant. Clerk

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**Page 61:**

(Bill of sale between Henry A. Hayward and Henry Sucey dated June 11, 1884 written in its entirety, then crossed out. Transcription not done for this)

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**Page 62:**

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake, the following are a list of persons qualified to vote according to law in the Plantation of Portage lake, State of Maine, Aroostook County:

Bolstridge, Albert	X	Ross, Charles	X
Bolstridge, Fred	X	Stevens, N.W.	X
Bragdon Sherburn	X	Stevens, O.L.	X
Bragdon, A.F.	X	Stevens, S.C.	X
Bragdon, Everett	X	Sutherland, Wilber	X

Clark, Charles	X	Sutherland, G.A.	X
Fox, Edward	X	Sutherland, William	X
Fox, Warren	X	Sutherland, George	X
Fox, John	absent	West, Thomas	absent
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.	X	West, Frank	X
Goss, C.S.	X	Jarvis Hayward	X
Goss, H.E.	X	Ross, David	X
McGowan, Walter	X	Frazier, John	X
Lanagan, James	X		
McGowan, John	X		

Given under our hands this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 1884,  
 Sherburn Bragdon  
 Fred Bolstridge, assessors  
 Fred Bolstridge, constable

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**Page 63:**

Notice

To the Legal voters of Portage Lake Plantation, County of Aroostook, State of Maine, you are hereby warned in the name of the State to meet at the School house in said Plantation aforesaid on Monday the eighth of September to give in your votes for Governor, Senators, representatives to represent them in the legislature.

Sherburn Bragdon  
 Fred Bolstridge, assessors of Portage Lake

August 30<sup>th</sup>, 1884,

Pursuant to the written warrant to me directed, I have Notified and warned the inhabitants of said Plantation of Portage Lake, qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose Therein mentioned by posting up an attested copy of such warrant at the Post Office in said Plantation, Being a Public Conspicuous place in said Plantation, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, Being Seven days notice before said meeting.

Fred Bolstridge, Constable of Portage Lake

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**Page 64:**

Sept the 8, 1884

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following officers:

For Governor:

Frederic Robie had Nineteen votes

John B. Redman “ “ Seven votes

For Representative to Congress

Charles A. Boutelle had Nineteen votes

John F. Lynch “ “ Seven

For Senators

Elisha E. Parkhurst had Nineteen

Ansel L. Lambert “ “ Nineteen

Richard L. Baker “ “ Seven

Daniel Lewis “ “ Seven

For Sheriff

Frank W. Barns had Nineteen

Albert M. Hoyt “ “ Seven

For Justice of Probate

Louis C. Stearns had Nineteen

Lyman S. Strickland “ “ Seven

For Register of Probate  
Charles F. Reed had Nineteen  
William T. Spear “ “ Seven  
For County Attorney  
Charles P. Allen had Nineteen  
Vinal R. Wilson “ “ Seven  
For County Treasurer  
Charles D. Merritt had Nineteen  
Thomas M. Bradbury “ “ Seven  
For Representatives to Legislature  
Jarvis Hayward had Twenty three  
William Dickey “ “ three

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk, Portage Lake

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**Page 65:**

\$20.00 Presque Isle, Me June the 18, 1884

Fore value received I promise to pay A.E. Wight or order twenty dollars in six months with interest at the rate of 8% per cent per annum till paid, the above note is given for one wagon.

Charles W. Fox

Which said goods and chattels are hereby warranted to be free of all incumbrances and I am the true and lawful owner of the same, and it is further agreed that the title to said property shall in said A.E. Wight till this note is fully paid, and if not paid when due I will pay all expences incurred in collecting.

Charles W. Fox

Witness J.A. Plummer

\$25.00 Presque Isle, Me June the 18 1884

For value received I promise to pay A.E. Wight or order twenty five dollars in one year with interest at the rate of 8% per cent per annum till paid, the above note is given for one wagon.

Charles W. Fox

Which said goods and chattels are hereby Warranted to be free from all incumbrances and I am the true and lawful owner of the same, and it is further agreed that the title to said property shall be in said A.E. Wight till this note is fully paid and if not paid where due I will pay all expences incurred in collecting.

Charles W. Fox

Witness J.A. Plummer

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**Page 66:**

\$25.00 Presque Isle, Me June 18, 1884

Fore value received I promise to pay A.E. Wight or order twenty five dollars in eighteen months with interest at the rate of 8% per cent per annum till paid, the above note is given for one wagon.

Charles W. Fox

Which said goods and chattels are hereby warranted to be free of all incumbrances and I am the true and lawful owner of the same, and it is further agreed that the title to said property shall be in said A.E. Wight till this note is fully paid and if not paid when due I will pay all expences incurred in collecting.

Charles W. Fox

Witness J.A. Plummer

\$25.00 Presque Isle, Me June 18, 1884

For value received I promise to pay A.E. Wight or order twenty five dollars in two years with interest at the rate of 8% per cent per annum till paid, the above note is given for one wagon.

Charles W. Fox

Which said goods and chattels are hereby warranted to be free of all incumbrances and I am the true and lawful owner of the same, and is further agreed that the title to said property shall be in said A.E. Wight till this note is fully paid and if not paid when due I will pay all expences incurred in collecting.

Charles W. Fox

Witness J.A. Plummer

The foregoing is a true copy of writings handed to me to be recorded this 31<sup>st</sup> day of Oct 1884

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 67:**

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, County of Aroostook, State of Maine, you are hereby notified and warned in the name of the State of Maine to meet at the School house in said Plantation on Tuesday the fourth day of November at two o'clock P.M. to give in your votes for electors to elect the President and Vice President of the United States, given under our hands this twenty seventh day of Oct 1884.

Fred Bolstridge

Orren L. Stevens, assessors

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, the following are a list of the persons qualified to vote according to law in the Plantation of Portage Lake, State of Maine, Aroostook County:

Bolstridge, Albert	absent	Sutherland, G.A.	absent
Bolstridge, Fred	- - -	Sutherland, William	- - -
Bragdon, Sherburn	voted	Sutherland, George	- - -
Bragdon, A. F.	- - -	Sutherland, Wilbur	voted
Bragdon, Everett	absent	Tozier, Edward	- - -
Clark, Charles	voted	West, Thomas	- - -
Frazier, John	absent	West, Frank	- - -
Fox, Edmund	voted		
Fox, Warren	- - -		
Fox, John	absent		
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.	voted		
Goss, C.S.	- - -		
Goss, H. E.	- - -		
Hayward, J.	- - -		
Lanagan, James	- - -		
McGowan, John	- - -		
McGowan, Walter	absent		
Ross, Charles	voted		
Ross, David	absent		
Stevens, N.W.	voted		
Stevens, O.L.	- - -		
Stevens, S.C.	- - -		

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**Page 68:**

Portage Lake Nov the 4, 1884

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following electors of President and Vice President:

John S. Case had Thirteen votes  
Weston F. Milliken -- -- -- --  
Charles M. Moses -- -- -- --  
John G. Richardson -- -- --  
Abner Coburn -- -- -- --  
Charles F. O. Johnson -- -- -- --  
Archibald McNichol had Six votes  
Charles McCarthy Jr. -- -- -- --  
Timothy Shaw Jr. -- -- -- --  
Alfred Lennox -- -- -- --  
Charles R. Hazeltine -- -- -- --  
Joseph F. Snow -- -- -- --

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk, Portage Lake

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**Page 69:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in Town affairs, you are hereby warned in the Name of the State of Maine to meet at the school house in said Plantation on Monday March the Thirtieth at one o'clock in the afternoon

First to choose a Moderator

Second to choose a Clerk

Third to choose the assessors and Treasurer

Fourth to choose the school committee

Fifth to choose a collector of taxes

Sixth to choose a constable

Seventh to choose the road agent

Eighth to choose a school agent

Next to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting

Given under our hands this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1885

Fred Bolstridge

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and

Chose Jarvis Hayward for moderator

- - - Orren L. Stevens for Clerk

- - - Sherburn Bragdon for first assessor

- - - Samuel C. Stevens for second

- - - Frederick Bolstridge for third

- - - Jarvis Hayward for treasurer

- - - Sherburn Bragdon for collector

- - - Samuel C. Stevens for School agent

- - - Jarvis Hayward and Martha for school committee

- - - Charles O. Ross for road agent in south dist.

- - - Jery McGowan in North dist.

Voted to raise seventy five Dollars for Schools

- - - one hundred and fifty for repairs on roads and ten dollars to finish grave yard fence

- - - to raise fifty Dollars for seats in school house

Chose Jarvis and Henry Hayward for committee to expend money on school house

The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 70:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby Notified and warned in the name of the State of Maine to meet at the school School house in said Plantation on Monday April the twenty seventh 1885 at two o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles, first to choose a Moderator to preside at said Meeting, Second to see if the Town will vote to choose a man to represent the Town at Washburn at a hearing appointed by the County Commishoners on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 1885, third to see if the Plantation will vote to raise Money to pay said man and his expences.

Given under our hands this April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1885

Samuel C. Stevens  
Fred Bolstridge, assessors

Met agreeable to the above Notice. Chose Fred Bolstridge for Moderator, chose Sherburn Bragdon to send to Washburn to act for the Plantation, voted to raise ten Dollars to pay his expences and for his time. No further business, meeting closed.

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 72:**

\$90.00                      June 29              Houlton, 1885

For value received I promise to pay John Colins[sic] Jr. or order the sum of Ninety dollars and --- cents in two years from Date with interest at six per cent annually untill due and after due at 12 per cent annually till paid.

Francis M. West

B.A. Syphor

Attest P.A. Shields

In Consideration of the sum of Ninety Dollars and --- cents the amount specified in the above note, and as collateral security for the payment thereof, I have this day sold and delivered to said John Collins Jr one horse, fourteen years old, color roan Mare, also one cow three years old, color red, also one wagon Painted Black, the same I have this day Bought of said Collins. The above Named property I have on my farm in Portage Lake Plan and I agree with John Collins to keep said property in good order and condition free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession and I further agree with said John Collins that he or his attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of law at any time before or after maturity of said note and apply the proceeds of such sale to the payment of said note and interest and all costs and charges and expences incurred on account of the same and that he may enter into any part of my buildings or premises for that purpose. Provided nevertheless if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained, then this instrument to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Witness my hand this 29 day of June, 1885

Francis M. West

Witness to signature and delivery of property              P.A. Shields

B.A. Syphor

This is a true copy of Note of hand and bill of sale received and recorded by me the 29 day of June 1885.

Orren L. Stevens, Plant. clerk

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**Page 73:**

(Bill of sale between Henry Soucie and Duff & Oak dated September 1, 1885 written in its entirety, then crossed out. Transcription not done for this.)

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**Page 74:**

\$125

Portage Lake, Me, Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885

June 1, 1887

For value received I promise to pay R.N. Lovejoy or order one hundred and twenty five dollars and interest, the above note being given for one concord style Wagon, which I have this day bought of said Lovejoy, said wagon to remain the property of said Lovejoy until this note is paid.

Sherburn Bragdon

The above is a true copy of a note handed to me by R.N. Lovejoy to be recorded this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1885.

Orren L. Stevens, Plant. Clerk  
Portage Lake Plant.

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**Page 75:**

Know all men by these presents that I, George Pishion of No 12 Range 6 in the County of Aroostook and State of Maine in consideration of Sixty Dollars paid by R.N. Lovejoy of Chesterville in the county of Franklin and State of Maine (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) do hereby bargain, sell and convey unto the said Lovejoy the following goods and chattels viz One Portland style Wagon, the same I this day bought of said Lovejoy (the waggon formerly owned by Henry Hayward of Portage Lake), also our heifer two years old, color Red with white spots, the same raised by me.

To have and to hold to the said Lovejoy, his executors, administrators and assigns and I avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of each and every of said goods and chattels and that the same are free from all claimes and incumbrances.

Provided nevertheless that if the said George Pishion, his executors or administrators shall pay to the said Lovejoy, his executors, administrators or assigns a certain note of hand of even terms and date of this instrument for the sum of Sixty Dollars and interest payable to said R.N. Lovejoy or order fifteen months after date, then this bill of sale to be void, otherwise to be and remain of full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this twenty-fifth day of July A.D. 1885.

Signed and delivered in presence of D.O. Orcutt

George Pishion

The foregoing is a true copy of writing handed to me by R.N. Lovejoy to be record this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1885.

Orren L. Stevens  
Plant. Clerk

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**Page 76:**

\$55.00

Portage Lake, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1885

Henry A. Hayward Bought of Francis Marquis one mare, three years old last spring, color Bay with three white feet and white strip in face.

Received payment

\$55.00

The condition of this Bill of Sale is such if Francis Marquis or his heirs pay Henry A. Hayward a note of hand for fifty five Dollars bearing even date with this instrument, then the Bill of Sale is null and void, otherwise of full force and virtue.

Francis Marquis, X his mark

Witness, Orren L. Stevens

\$55.00

Portage Lake, Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1885

Six months after date, I promise to pay Hayward A. Hayward or order Fifty five dollars.

Francis Marquis, X his mark

Witness, Orren L. Stevens

The foregoing is a true copy of writing handed to me to be recorded this 19<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1885.

Orren L. Stevens, Portage Lake, Me

Plantation Clerk

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**Page 77:**

The Intention of marriage between David Ross Jr. and Sarah A. McGowan both of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in Plan. Book, Portage Lake, Oct 22, 1885

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk

Know all men by these Presents,

That I, George Adelbert Sutherland of Portage Lake, in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine in consideration of fifty nine & 77/100 dollars paid by W.P. Bridgham of Ashland, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to said Willis P. Bridgham the following goods and chattels to wit: One grey mare said I bought of L.C. Bearce in 1889, to have and to hold the same to said Grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I the said George A. Sutherland do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property, and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same aforesaid. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons, provided nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators or assigns according to my note of this date the sum of fifty nine & 77/100 in four months from date with interest annually at the rate of eight per cent per annum till paid, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this Seventeenth day of November 1893.

Signed and delivered in presence of F.G. Dunn

G.A. Sutherland

The above is a true copy of writing sent me this 22 day of November 1893

Orren L. Stevens, Portage Lake, Me

Plantation Clerk

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**Page 78:**

The Intention of marriage between John F. McGowan of Portage Lake and Bertha C. Rafford of Ashland was this day recorded by me in Plan. Book.

Portage Lake, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1885

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk

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**Page 79:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote in town affairs in the name of the State of Maine you are hereby Notified and warned to meet at the school house in said Plt. on Monday the twenty ninth (29) day of March at two o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit:

First to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting. Second to choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. Third to see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of schools and repairs of roads and bridges and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year. The select men give notice that they will be in session at one o'clock to correct and prepare a list of voters. Given under our hands at Portage Lake this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1886

Sherburn Bragdon

Fred Bolstridge, select men



Agreeable to the written warrant I have Notified and warned the inhabitants of said Plant. qualified as therein Expressed to assemble at said time and place and for the proposes therein named by posting up an attested copy of said warrant at the Post Office, it being a public place in said plant. on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1886, it being seven days before the meeting.

Fred Bolstridge, Constable of Portage Lake

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**Page 80:**

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and chose Samuel C. Stevens for moderator. Chose Orren L. Stevens for Clerk. Moved to adjourn to April 12<sup>th</sup> at two o'clock.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

Met according to the above

Chose Sherburn Bragdon for first assessor

Chose Samuel C. Stevens for Second

Chose Fred Bolstridge for Third

Chose Jarvis Hayward for Treasurer

Chose Sherburn Bragdon for collector of taxes

Chose Jarvis Hayward, Mrs. Sarah E. Stevens, and Martha Hayward for Committee

Chose George Sutherland for School agent

Chose David Ross for road agent South dist.

Chose Warren Fox for road agent for North Dist.

Chose Fred Bolstridge for constable

Voted to raise \$110 for Schools

Voted to raise \$200 for repairs on road

Voted to raise \$25 for acidental expences

Voted to have the assessors pay M. Lanagan the Balance due him on grave yard

Voted for School agent to colect pay for the use of school house for dances and shows, the same as last year.

The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Plant. Clerk

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**Page 81:**

Know all Men by these Presents

That I Jerry McGowan of Portage Lake Pl. in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledge) do hereby bargain, sell and convey unto the said Lovejoy the following goods and chattels: one Portland style wagon made by Lovejoy Bros., North Chesterville, Me, the same I this day bought of said R.N. Lovejoy (Black Top and seat, Carmine Gear), also one Dark Bay Horse seven years old, the same I bought of Robert Coners in the fall of 1885.

To Have and to hold to the said R.N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators and assigns, and I avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of each and every of said goods and chattels, and that the same are free from all claims and incumbrances.

Provided nevertheless that if the said Jerry McGowan, his executors or administrators shall pay to said R.N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators or assigns a certain note of hand of even terms and date of this instrument for the sum of seventy five Dollars and interest payable to said Lovejoy or order October 1<sup>st</sup> after date then this Bill of sale to be void, otherwise to be and remain of full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, A.D. 1886

J. McGowan

Signed and delivered in presence of D.O. Orcutt

The above is a true copy of a bill of sale left with me to be recorded by R.N. Lovejoy this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 1886.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 82:**

\$75 Nashville Pl., Me, August 8, 1889

Ten months after date for value received, I promise to pay R.N. Lovejoy or order Seventy five Dollars with interest at six per cent, the same being for part payment for one Mulholland Spring wagon, which I have this day bought of said Lovejoy, said wagon to remain the property of said Lovejoy until said sum and interest are paid.

James McCormack

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me by R.N. Lovejoy this 17 day of October 1889 to be recorded by me.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

Portage Lake, Maine, August 14, 1893

Known by these presents, I, Robert A Merrill, have sold to William Ross one cow, white and gray color, for the sum of twenty dollars, being Security for note given same date. If note be paid according to agreement this sale is null and void.

P.G. Brown, witness

Portage Lake, Maine, August 14, 1893

Six months after date, I promise to pay to the order of William Ross (20) twenty dollars with interest at 8 per cent. Value received.

Robert A. Merrill, X his mark

P.G. Brown, witness,

Ellen Merrill

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me by William Ross this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1893 to be recorded in plantation Book.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

This writing between Merril and Ross has been paid and is now discharged by order of William Ross, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1895.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 83:**

Know all Men by these Presents,

That I, Paul Soucie of No 14 R 6 Plantation in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine in consideration of the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars paid by Rufus N. Lovejoy of the town of Chesterville in the county of Franklin and state of Maine (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) do hereby bargain, sell and convey unto the said Lovejoy the following goods and chattels viz: One White chapel Buggy made by Knowlton Brothers, North Chesterville, Me, Color of Body and seat Black, Gear Dark, also One Nickle plated R.N. Harness, being the same wagon and harness I this day bought of said Lovejoy. Also one Gelding horse 8 years old, color Dark Bay, black points, the same I had of Baptist Morrow of Frenchville about three years ago. To have and to hold to the said Lovejoy, his executors, administrators and assigns, and I avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of each and every of said goods and chattels, and that the same are free from all claims and incumbrances.

Provided Nevertheless that if the said Paul Soucie, his executors or administrators shall pay to the said Rufus N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators or assigns Two Notes of hand of even terms and date of this instrument, the first for the sum of seventy five Dollars and interest payable to said Rufus N. Lovejoy or order Nine Months after date, and the second for the sum of Seventy five Dollars and interest Payable to said Lovejoy or order twenty one months after date, then this bill of sale to be void, otherwise to be and remaine in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this Sixth day of September A.D. 1886.

Paul Soucie, X his mark

Signed and delivered in presence of H.A. Hayward

The above is a true copy of bill of sale left with me to be recorded by R.N. Lovejoy this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 1886.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 84:**

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation who are qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby Notified and warned in the name of the State of Maine to meet at the school house in said Plantation on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 1886 to give in your votes for Governor, Senators and representatives to represent them in the legislature of this State.

The Select men will be in session at the school house at Nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day aforesaid for the purpose of Correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands this sixth day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighty one.

Sherburn Bragdon

Fred Bolstridge, Select men, Portage Lake

Brown, Millard	voted	McGowan, Wallter	voted
Bolstridge, Albert	voted	McGowan, John	voted
Bolstridge, Fred	voted	Ross, David Jr.	absent
Bragdon, Sherburn	voted	Ross, Charles	voted
Bragdon, Ai F.	voted	Stevens, N.W.	voted
Bragdon, G.E.	voted	Stevens, O.L.	voted
Clark, Charles	voted	Stevens, Samuel	voted
Fox, Warren	voted	Sutherland, Wilbur	voted
Fox, John	voted	Sutherland, William	voted
Fox, Edward	voted	Sutherland, G.A.	voted
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.	voted	Sutherland, George	voted
Goss, C.S.	voted	West, Thomas	absent
Goss, H.A.	voted	West, Frank	absent
Hayward, Jarvis	voted		
Lanigan, James	voted		

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following Officers:

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**Page 85:**

For Governor

Joseph R. Bodwell had Seventeen votes

Clark S. Edwards had Eight votes

For Representatives to Congress

Charles A. Boutell had Seventeen votes

John F. Lynch had Eight votes

For Senators

Ansel L. Lambert had Seventeen votes

Thomas H. Phair had Seventeen votes

Samuel W. Collins had Eight votes

Allen C. Hammond had Eight votes

For Sheriff

Marcus S. Hanson had Seventeen votes

Black Hawk Putnam had Eight votes

For County Attorney

Morrill N. Drew had Seventeen votes

Frank L. Roberts had Eight votes

For Clerk of Court

Michael M. Clark had Seventeen votes  
James Archibald had Eight votes  
For Register of Deeds  
James H. Kidder had Seventeen votes  
Auther Daigle had Eight votes  
For County Treasurer  
Lewis B. Johnson had Seventeen votes  
Henry C. Bradbury had Eight votes  
For County Commissioners  
Colin L. Wadlia had Seventeen votes  
Albert A. Burleigh had Seventeen votes  
Joseph D. Emery had Eight votes  
Andrew J. Flint had Eight votes  
For Representative to Legislature  
William Dickey had Nine votes

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 86:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of the Plantation of Portage Lake qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby notified and warned in the name of the State of Maine to meet at the school house in said Plt on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March to act on the following articles:

First

To Choose a moderator to Preside at said meeting, second to choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year, Next to see if the Plt will vote to raise money for the support of schools and roads and all other Purposes, Next to see if the Plt will vote to build a school house in the North end of the Plt.

Given under our hands this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 1887.

Sherburn Bragdon

Fred Bolstridge, assessors

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and chose Fred Bolstridge for moderator

Chose Orren L. Stevens for Plt. Clerk

Collector report accepted; the full amount of tax assessed last year \$291.93, paid Plt Treasurer \$199.53, Balance uncollected \$92.40. Treasurers report accepted, whole amount paid to treasurer \$257.50, whole amount paid out by treasurer \$185.34 leaving balance in treasury of \$72.16.

Chose Sherburn Bragdon for first assessor

Chose Samuel C. Stevens for second

Chose Millard D. Brown for third

Chose Orren L. Stevens for treasurer

Chose Saml. C. Stevens and Millard D. Brown School Comm.

Chose Frank West for Constable and George Sutherland for School agent; chose David Ross Sen for road agent in South dist, chose Albert Bolstridge in North dist. Voted to raise \$125 for Schools and \$125 for repairs on roads. Chose Sherburn Bragdon for Collector. Voted to raise \$200 to commence a school house in North dist, size 24 by 30 ft. Chose S.C. Stevens, S. Bragdon and A. Bolstridge for Committee to build. The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 87:**

\$40.00                      Ashland, Maine      April 14, 1893

One year after date, I promise to pay to the order of William Ross Forty Dollars with interest annually at Eight percent until paid.

Value Received.

Attest

David D. Ross

\$40.00

Ashland, Maine April 14, 1893

Two years after date, I promise to pay to the order of William Ross forty Dollars with interest annually at Eight percent until paid.

Value Received.

Attest

David D. Ross

The above notes have been paid and are discharged by order of William Ross this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1895.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 88:**

Know all Men by these Presents, that I, Francis M. West of Portage Lake Pl. in the county of Aroostook and state of Maine in consideration of one hundred twenty five Dollars paid by Shaw Brothers of Washburn in the county of Aroostook and state of Maine (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) do hereby well and convey to said Shaw Bros. the following goods and chattels to wit: one Horse (collor red) ten years old, same I now have in my possession.

To have and to hold the same to the said grantees, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever, and I the said Francis M. West to vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right and lawfull authority to dispose of the same as aforesaid, and I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said grantees, their heirs and assigns forever against the lawfull claims and demands of all persons.

Provided nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said grantees or their executors, administrators or assigns according to two notes of this date, one note for twenty five dollars due in four months from date and one for one hundred dollars due in eighteen months from date, both notes drawing 8% annual interest.

Otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand and seal this fourteenth day of July A.D. 1887

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

Francis M. West

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**Page 89:**

\$25

Washburn, Me July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1887

Four months after date, I promise to pay to the order of Shaw Brothers twenty five Dollars with interest at 8% per annum.

Value received

Francis M. West

\$100

Washburn, Me July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1887

Eighteen months after date I promise to pay to the order of Shaw Brothers one hundred Dollars with interest at 8% per annum.

Value received.

Francis M. West

The foregoing is a true copy of bill of sale and two notes of hand sent to me by Shaw Brothers this sixteen day of July 1887.

Orren L. Stevens

Plan. Clerk

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1891

The above notes also the bill of sale on pate 88 have been duly paid by Francis M. West and are now in his possession.

Orren L. Stevens  
Plan. Clerk

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**Page 90:**

Know all men by these presents that I, George L. Sutherland of Portage Lake Plantation in the county of Aroostook and state of Maine, in consideration of the sum of one hundred and fifty eight dollars paid by R.N. Lovejoy of Chesterville in the county of Franklin and state of Maine (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) do hereby bargain, sell and convey unto the said R.N. Lovejoy the following goods and chattels viz: one Corning Buggy made by Lovejoy Brothers, North Chesterville, Me., also one Nickle plated Harness, the same Buggy and Harness I this day bought of said Lovejoy, also One Black Gelding 6 years old, the same I bought of Jacob Mosher of No 12 R. 5 in April 1886.

To have and to hold to the said Lovejoy, his executors, administrators and assigns and I vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of each and every of said goods and chattels, and that the same are free from all claims and incumbrances.

Provided nevertheless that if the said George L. Sutherland, his executors or administrators shall pay to the said R.N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators or assigns a certain note of hand of even terms and date of this instrument for the sum of one hundred and fifty eight Dollars and interest payable to said R.N. Lovejoy or order one year after date, then this Bill of sale to be void, otherwise to be and remain of full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1887

George L. Sutherland

Signed and delivered in the presence of Mrs. M. E. Hayward

The foregoing is a true ccopy of bill of sale sent to me to be recorded this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 1887.

Orren L. Stevens  
Plan. Clerk

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**Page 91:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plt qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby Notified and warned in the name of the state to meet at the school house in said Plt. on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1888 to act on the following Articles: first to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting; second to choose a clerk; next to choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year; next to see if the town will vote to raise money to pay Aderson Flint, it being for lumber to build the old school with; next to see if the Plt. will vote to raise money to buy land to build a mill on; next to see if the plt. will vote to raise money for the support of schools and all other Necessary expenses; next to transact any other business that may legaly come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 1888.

Sherburn Bragdon

Met agreeable to the above Notice and chose S.C. Stevens for moderator, chose Orren L. Stevens for Clerk, chose Sherburn Bragdon for first assessor, chose Saml. C. Stevens for second, chose Millard D. Brown for third

Collectors report accepted, whole amount last year assessed \$325, amount uncollected \$154

Treasurer report accepted. Bal in treas \$109.66.

Chose Orren L. Stevens for treasurer

For School com. S.C. Stevens and M.D. Brown

Chose M.D. Brown for School agent

Chose S. Bragdon, Sam Stevens and H.A. Hayward for building committee; chose T. B. West for Constable. Voted to raise \$40 to pay Flint. Voted to raise \$125 for Schools, chose Sherburn Bragdon for collector. The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 92 & 93:**

Know all men by these presents that I, James McCormack Jr. of Plantation No 12 Range 6 in the county of Aroostook and state of Maine, in consideration of the sum of one hundred and sixty Dollars paid by Rufus N. Lovejoy of the town of Chesterville, County of Franklin and state aforesaid, the receipt whereof I the said James McCormack Jr. do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Rufus N. Lovejoy the following described personal property viz.: One end spring Top Buggy Phaeton seat, 3 bow Top Green lining, the same Buggy I this day bought of said Lovejoy; also one Dapple Grey mare seven (7) years old, the same I bought of J. F. Richardson of Hartland, N.B. in the month of December 1886. Also one Concord style Lovejoy wagon, the same I bought of Rufus N. Lovejoy about seven years ago.

To have and to hold the said goods and chattels unto the said Rufus N. Lovejoy, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to their only proper use, benefit and behoof forever, and I the said James McCormack, Jr., do avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of the said goods and chattels and have in me vested full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in manner aforesaid and I do for myself, heirs, executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said goods and chattels against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever unto him the said Rufus N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators and assigns. Provided Nevertheless that if the said James McCormack Jr., his executors, administrators or assigns shall pay unto the said Rufus N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators or assigns the sum of one hundred and sixty Dollars in one year from this date with interest at six per cent per annum, then this bill of sale and also a certain promissory note bearing even date with these presents given by the said James McCormack Jr. to the said Rufus N. Lovejoy or order to pay the sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall be void, otherwise shall remain in full force.

In witness whereof I the said James McCormack Jr. have hereunto set my hand this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight.

Signed and delivered in the presence of S.R. Brown.

James McCormack, Jr.

The foregoing is a true copy of a bill of sale handed to me by Rufus N. Lovejoy to be recorded this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1888.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 94:**

(Bill of sale dated August 23 1888 between A.P. Young and Charles Fox & Oscar Fox written in its entirety but crossed out. Transcription not done)

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**Page 95:**

Married

Edward Fox and Clarissa A. Howe

July 27, 1844

Born

Edmund Fox, June 26, 1845

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**Page 96:**

Know all men by these Presents that I, William Brown of Portage Lake Plantation in the County of Aroostook, State of Maine, in consideration of seventy four Dollars and twelve cents to me well and truly paid by G. B. Hayward of Ashland, Maine in the county of Aroostook in the state of Maine,

Do hereby Bargain, Sell, Transfer and deliver unto the said G.B. Hayward the following goods and chattels to wit: Namely one bay Colt, Black Points one White hind foot, the same I raised myself and have in my possession, and free from all incumbrances, and I hereby put the said G.B. Hayward in possession of the described property by delivering him this deed.

Whereof I hereunto set my hand this 27<sup>th</sup> day, Aug. A.D. 1888

William Brown

In Witness, W.B. Hallett

Consideration of the said Bill Sale are such that in one year after date, William Brown of Portage Lake Plantation shall well and truly pay a note of hand bearing even date with the above bill Sale for Seventy four Dollars and twelve cents with interest at six per cent annually. This bill sale Shall be null and void, otherwise remain in full force and virtue.

Ashland, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1888 William Brown

Witness,  
W.B. Hallett

The foregoing is a true copy of writing sent me by G.B. Hayward of Ashland to be recorded in Plantation book this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Aug.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

**Page 97:**

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, the following are a list of voters in town qualified to vote according to law this year of our Lord 1889

Bolstridge, Albert	voted
Bolstridge, Fred	----
Bragdon, Sherburn	----
Bragdon, A.F.	----
Bragdon, H.S.	----
Brown, M.D.	----
Clark, Charles	----
Fox, Warren	----
Fox, Edmund	----
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.,	----
Goss, C.S.	----
Goss, H.H.	----
Lanagan, James	----
McGowan, John	----
Ross, David D.	absent
Ross, Charles	voted
Stevens, S.C.	----
Stevens, O.L.	----
Stevens, N.W.	----
Sutherland, G.A.	----
Sutherland G.L.	----
Sutherland, William	----
Sutherland, Wilbur	absent
Skidgel, George	voted



West, Frank                 - - - -  
West, Thomas               absent

The foregoing is a true copy of list of persons qualified to vote in this town and given to me by the assessors.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 98 & 99:**

State of Maine

To Thomas B. West, constable of the Plantation of Portage Lake in the county of Aroostook, Greeting, you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of the plantation of Portage Lake qualified according to the constitution and the laws of the State to assemble at the School house in said plantation on Monday the tenth day of September A.D. 1888 at one o'clock and thirty minutes in the afternoon to give in their votes for Governor, Senators and Representatives or Representative to represent them in the legislature of this State.

The Polls will close at four o'clock P.M. Hereof fail not and have you these, this warrant with your doings thereon, the Assessors will be in session at the School house in said Plantation on the tenth day of September at one O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Portage Lake this first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight.

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

Met agreeable to the foregoing notice and voted for the following officers:

For Governor:

Edwin C. Burleigh had thirteen votes

William L. Putnam had ten

For Representative to Congress

Charles A. Boutelle had thirteen

Thomas J. Stewart had ten

For Senators

George W. Collins had thirteen

Joseph A. Clark had thirteen

Black Hawk Putnam had ten

Mark Trafton had ten

For Sheriff

James W. Bolton had thirteen

Howard W. Safford had ten

For County Attorney

Morrill N. Drew had thirteen

Frank L. Roberts had ten

For Judge of Probate

George H. Smith had thirteen

James Archibald had ten

For Register of Probate

Ransford W. Shaw had thirteen

Frederick W. Kegan had ten

For County Treasurer

Lewis B. Johnson had thirteen

Thomas M. Bradbury had ten

For County Commissioner

John M. Brown had twenty three  
For Representative to Legislature  
William Dickey had twenty three

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 100 & 101:**

Known all men by these presents that I, Jerry McGowan of Portage Lake Plantation in the county of Aroostook, State of Maine, in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred dollars paid by George B. Hayward of Ashland in said County, the receipt whereof I the said McGowan do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these present do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Hayward two dark Bay horses, same I had of Robert Connors; one Bay mare, same I had of J.F. Richardson; one Bay colt, four years old, same raised by me; one black colt two years old, same raised by me; one red cow three years old, same raised by me; one red & white cow four years old, same raised by me, one red cow four years old, same raised by me; and one red & white cow same raised by me; also two heifers two years old, one red & one red and white; all of said property being on my Homestead farm.

To have and to hold the said goods and chattels unto the said Hayward, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to his only proper use, benefit and behoof forever. And I the said McGowan do avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of the said goods & chattels and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in the manner before said; and I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said goods and chattels against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever unto him the said Hayward, his executors and administrators or assigns.

Provided nevertheless that if the said Jerry McGowan, his executors, administrators or assigns shall pay unto the said George B. Hayward, his executors, administrators or assigns the sum of three hundred dollars in six months from this date with interest at six per cent per annum, payable annually, then this bill of sale and also a certain promissory note bearing even date with these presents given by the said McGowan to the said Hayward to pay the sum and interest at the time aforesaid, shall be void, otherwise shall remain in full force.

In Witness whereof,

I the said Jerry McGowan have here unto set my hand and seal this thirty first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of C.F. Daggett

Jerry McGowan

The foregoing is a true copy of Writing handed me by G.B. Hayward of Ashland to be recorded in plantation Book this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Nov, '88 at half past two o'clock P.M.

Orren L Stevens, Clerk

May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1983

The foregoing bill of sale has been paid and is now in Jerrie McGowan's possession.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 102:**

Fort Kent Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 1888

\$60.00. Six months after date for value received, I promise to pay to the order of The Richardson Manufacturing Company Sixty Dollars with interest at Fort Kent.

This note is given for one Horse colt, three years old, color Red, white strip in face, Nö bargained and delivered to me and which it is agreed shall remain the property of the Richardson Manufacturing Company until this note is paid in full.

Post Office Address:

Portage Lake

H.H. Goss

Fort Kent Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 1888

\$60.00. Eighteen months after date for value received, I promise to pay to the order of the Richardson Manufacturing Company Sixty Dollars with interest at Fort Kent; this note is given for one Horse Colt—three years old, color Red with white strip in Face. Nö bargained and delivered to me and which it is agreed shall remain the property of the Richardson Manufacturing Company until this note is paid in full.

Post Office Address:

Portage Lake  
H.H. Goss

The above is a true copy of writing left with me by the Richardson Manufacturing Company to be recorded the Sixth day of November 1888.

Orren L. Stevens  
Plantation Clerk

**Page 103:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, County of Aroostook and State of Maine, you are hereby notified to meet at the school house in said plantation on Tuesday the Sixth day of November at two o'clock P.M. to give in your votes for Electors to Elect the President and Vice President of the United States.

Given under our hands this twenty seventh day of October, 1888.

Samuel C. Stevens  
Millard D. Brown, assessors

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, the following are a list of persons qualified to vote according to the law in the Plantation of Portage Lake, State of Maine, Aroostook County:

Bolstridge, Albert	absent	Sutherland, G.A.	absent
Bolstridge, Fred	- - -	Sutherland, G. L.	voted
Bragdon, Sherburn	voted	Sutherland, Wilbur	- - -
Bragdon, A.F.	- - -	Sutherland William	absent
Bragdon, H.S.	- - -	Skegel, George	- - -
Brown, M.D.	- - -	West, Frank	voted
Clark, Charles	absent	West, Thomas	- - -
Fox, Warren	voted		
Fox, Edmund	- - -		
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.	absent		
Goss, C.S.	voted		
Goss, H.H.	- - -		
Lanagan, James	- - -		
McGowan, John	absent		
Merril, Robert	voted		
Ross, David D.	- - -		
Ross, Charles O.	- - -		
Segee, William	- - -		
Stevens, C.S.	- - -		
Stevens, O.L.	- - -		
Stevens, N.W.	- - -		

**Page 104:**

Portage Lake Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, 1888

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following Electors of President and Vice President

Samuel N. Campbell had fifteen

Horace H. Shaw - - - - -

Mark F. Wentworth - - - - -

Thaddeus B. Simonton - - - - -

Albert W. Cushman - - - - -

Lambert Sands - - - - -

Clark S. Edwards had five

Charles McCarthy Jr. - - - - -

Samuel L. Lord - - - - -

John D. Burt - - - - -

Benjamin F. Barrett - - - - -

John P. Hes - - - - -

Orren L. Stevens

Plantation Clerk

Portage Lake

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**Page 105 & 106:**

\$200            Island Falls, Maine            Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 1888

For Value Received, I promise to pay Levi H. May or order the sum of two hundred Dollars and --- cents, in six months \$60, in one year \$75, the balance in eighteen months from date with interest annually at 10 per cent till paid.

F. M. West

Attest P. Hayward

In consideration of the sum of two hundred Dollars and --- cents, the amount specified in the above note and as collateral security for the payment thereof I, F. M. West of Portage Lake Plt. county of Aroostook and State of Maine, have this day sold and delivered to said Levi H. May one gilden colt four years old, color black with a star in the head, the same I bought of said Levi H. May; one bay mare age eight years with a large left-hind leg, a white spot in the head, also fifteen tons of pressed hay, the hay is good merchable hay now pressed and in my barn on the farm which I now live on, and I agree to turn the hay to said May at any time when it will pay me ten Dollars per ton on my note; And I agree with said Levi H. May to keep said property in good order and condition free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession and I further agree with said Levi H. May that he or his authorized attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of law at any time before or after maturity of said note, and to see said property at public or private sale, with or without notice, and apply the proceeds of such sale first to the payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same, and for time and travel expended in endeavoring to collect the same after due and balance to the payment of said note and interest and that there shall be no redemption of any sale of said property, and that he may enter into any part of my buildings or premises for that purpose, Provided nevertheless if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained then this Instrument to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, A.D. 1888

F. M. West

Witness to signature and delivery of property, P. Hayward

The foregoing is a true copy of writing handed me by Levi H. May of Island Falls, Maine, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1888 to be recorded in Plantation book.

Orren L. Stevens

The foregoing writing is discharged by order of Levi H. May Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

Record of Death of

Clarisa A. Fox of Portage Lake Plan.

Died Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 1888. Cause of Death, Tumor in right side.

Age 62 years.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk

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**Page 107:**

The Intention of Marriage between Charles Warren Fox and Miss Charlotte Clark both of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in Plantation book.

Portage Lake, Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> 1889

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

By M. H. Stevens

This day filled out certificate for Charles Warren Fox for the purpose of getting married.

Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1889

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

By M. H. Stevens

Ashland, Mar 25<sup>th</sup>, 1889

This certifies that Charles W. Fox and Mrs Charlotte Clark both of Portage Lake was lawfully joined in marriage by me at Portage Lake March 11, 1889.

M. R. Keefe

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**Page 108:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby Notified and warned in the name of the state of Maine to meet at the school house in said Plantation on Monday March 25<sup>th</sup> 1889 to act on the following articles: to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting; second to choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year; next to see if the Town will vote to raise money for the support of schools or any other purpose.

Given under our hands this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March.

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown

March 25<sup>th</sup> 1889 Met according to Notice, chose Millard D. Brown for Moderator., N.W. Stevens clerk Protem, voted to adjourn to Second Monday in April.

Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1889 Met agreeable to above

Chose Orren L. Stevens for Clerk

- - - S.C. Stevens for first assessor

- - - M.D. Brown for Second assessor

- - - William Segee for third

- - - C.O. Ross for collector

- - - S.C. Stevens and M.D. Brown for committee

- - - M.D. Brown for School agent

Collectors report accepted, \$70.47 uncollected

Treasurers report accepted, \$61.08 in treasury

Voted to raise \$150 for the support of schools

Voted to raise \$50 to be expended on New School house in North dist.

Chose Fred Bolstridge for constable.

The officers have been duly sworn.

**Page 109:**

This certifies that Edwin McNally of Ashland and Dora Goodblood of Portage Lake were lawfully joined in marriage by me at Ashland April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1888, according to the law of the State of Maine.

M.R. Keefe

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 110:**

The intentions of marriage between Joseph F. Mishow and Priscilla Goodblood both of Portage Lake was this day recorded in plantation book by me.

Portage Lake, May 7<sup>th</sup> 1889

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

Portage Lake, May 18<sup>th</sup> 1889

This day filled out certificate for Joseph T. Mishow for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 111:**

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1889

Sold this day to D.O. Orcutt the following property:

2 yearling steers

2 " " Heifers

2 -- -- , 4 and 6 years old

all for \$65. I have received payment for same and do hereby Deliver Said property to D.O. Orcutt when due, free from all incumbrances and I further agree that the said Black mare that I Bargained for shall remain the property of D.O. Orcutt untill[sic] the notes of \$32.50 Each, one due the first day of January and one the first day of April 1880, Shall be paid with interest at ten per cent and then this Bill of sale shall be delivered up to Ai Bragdon.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me by D.O. Orcutt to be recorded this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1889.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 112:**

The Intentions of marriage between G. G. Sutherland and Clara C. Stevens both of Portage Lake was this day recorded in plantation book by me.

Portage Lake, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 1889

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

Portage Lake, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> 1889

This day filled out certificate for George G. Sutherland for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 113:**

\$129 Portage Lake Plantation, July 16<sup>th</sup> 1889

For Value Received, I Promise to Pay R.N. Lovejoy or order one hundred and twenty nine dollars with interest at six per cent, the same being for part Payment for one Corning open Buggy, and one No. 4 R.N. Harness which I have this day bought of said Lovejoy, said Buggy and Harness to remain the property of said Lovejoy untill said sum and interest is paid. One half payable Eleven months from date and the Balance in twenty three months from date.

Orren L. Stevens

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me to be recorded this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1889

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 114:**

\$104 Portage Lake Pl, Me, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1889

Eleven months after date for value received I Promise to pay R.N. Lovejoy or order one hundred and four Dollars with interest at six per cent, the same being for part payment for one Portland style Lovejoy wagon and one No 4 R.N. Harness, which I have this day bought of said Lovejoy, said wagon and Harness to remain the property of said Lovejoy untill said sum and interest are paid.

Charles O. Ross

The above is a true Copy of a writing handed to me by R.N. Lovejoy to be recorded this 8<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1889.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk

Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1891

The above writing is now Discharged by Order of R.N. Lovejoy.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 115:**

Know All men by these Presents that I, George L. Sutherland of Portage Lake in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine in consideration of One hundred and sixty seven 75/100 Dollars paid by Rufus N. Lovejoy of Chesterville in the county of Franklin and state of Maine (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) do hereby Bargain, sell and convey unto the said Lovejoy the following goods and chattels viz: One Corning Buggy made by Lovejoy Brothers, North Chesterville, Me, and Me State Prisson, R.N. No. 4 Harness, being the same buggy and harness I Bought of said Lovejoy July 19<sup>th</sup> 1887, and now in my Possession. Also one Dark Bay mare 8 years Old, the same I bought of Jerry McGowan of Portage Lake about three years go.

To have and to hold to the said Rufus N. Lovejoy, his executors, administrators and assigns, and I avouch[sic] myself to be the true and lawful owner of each and all of said goods and chattels, and that the same are free from all claims and incumbrances.

Provided nevertheless that if the said George L. Sutherland, his executors or administrators shall pay to the said Rufus N. Lovejoy, his executors or administrators or assigns the sum of one hundred and sixty seven 75/100 Dollars and interest according to my note of hand of even terms and date of this instrument payable to said Rufus N. Lovejoy or order ten months after date then this bill of sale to be void, otherwise to be and to remain of full force and virtue.

Dated this Eighth day of August A.D. 1889

George L. Sutherland

Witness to signature and delivery of property, G.F. Lovejoy

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me by R.N. Lovejoy to be recorded this 31<sup>st</sup> day of Aug. 1889.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan Clerk

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**Page 116:**

Know all men by these presents that I, G.A. Sutherland in consideration of four hundred dollars paid by Bearce & Hill, the receipt of which is acknowledged, do hereby grant, sell, assign and convey to said Bearce & Hill the following personal property to wit to: one dappled grey horse and one black mare, the same that was bought of Dunn Bros. of Ashland. Said horses are now at G.A. Sutherland's, Portage Lake, Maine, that said Bearce & Hill are to have and to hold in case that the above amount is not paid in two

years. In interest whereof I have hereunto set my hands and seal this thirteenth day of September 1889.

G.A. Sutherland

Witness, Mrs. L.C. Bearce

The above is a true copy of writing sent to me to be recorded this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1889.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

The above Bill of sale has been paid and is now Discharged by order of Bearce & Hill, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 117:**

Personal Property

Know all men by these presents that James McCormack of Portage lake in the County of Aroostook and State of Maine, for and in consideration of the sum of Five Hundred & Thirty Five to me in hand well and truly paid at or before signing, sealing and delivery of these presents by Thomas H. Phair of Presque Isle in the county and state aforesaid, and doing business at said Presque Isle under the style of T.H. Phair, the receipt whereof I the said James McCormack do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said T.H. Phair the following described personal property viz:

One Pair grey Horses, six & seven years old; one sett Double Harness, same I had this day of said T.H. Phair, and it is a part of this agreement that the said James McCormack will keep the above described property in as good condition as it now, is free from all expense to said T.H. Phair untill called for by him, to have and to hold the said granted and bargained personal property unto the said T.H. Phair, his heirs, Executors, administrators, and assigns, to his only proper use, benefit and behoof forever, and I the said James McCormack do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of the said property, and have in me full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the said property in manner as aforesaid, and I do for myself, heirs, Executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said property unto the said T.H. Phair and his heirs, Executors, administrators, and assigns against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever, in witness whereof I the said James McCormack have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and 89.

James McCormack

Executed and Delivered in presence of

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**Page 118:**

\$535.00                      Presque Isle, Me, Oct 11, 1889

Six months after date I promise to pay to the order of T.H. Phair Five Hundred & Thirty five Dollars at Presque Isle National Bank with interest at Eight per cent.

Value received.

James McCormack

The foregoing is a true copy of Bill of sale and note of hand sent me by T.H. Phair this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct, 1889, and recorded on pages 117 and 18 of Plantation Book.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 119:**

\$150                      Portage Lake Plt., Maine                      Dec 23, 1889

For Value Received I promise to pay Levi H. May or order the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars, and in one year seventy five Dollars, the balance in eighteen months from date with interest at 10 per cent per annum until paid.

Francis M. West



Attest Hannah A. Hayward

In consideration of the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars----cents, the amount specified in the above note and as collateral security for the ~~above~~ payment thereof, Frank M. West of Portage Lake Plt county of Aroostook and state of Maine, have this day sold and delivered to said Levi H. May one Horse age six years old, color brown, the same I bought this day of said May, also one Horse age five years old, color black with a star in head, the same I formily bought of said L.H. May, the same said May has now got a bill of sale of, and I agree with said Levi H. May to keep said property in good order and condition, free of expense to him, so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession, and I further agree with said Levi H. May that he or his authorized attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of law at any time before or after maturity of said note, and to sell said property at public or private sale with or without notice and apply the proceeds of such sale first to the payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same, and for time and travel expended in endeavoring to collect the same after due, and balance to the payment of said note and interest, and that there shall be no redemption of any sale of said property and that he may enter into any part of my buildings or premises for that purpose, provided nevertheless if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions, and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained, then this instrument to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect, Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December A.D. 1889

Francis M. West

Witness, Hannah A. Hayward

This Bill of Sale is paid & discharged by order of Levi H. May.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, 1899

**Page 120:**

Bill Sale Personal Property

Know all men by these presents that Henry Hayward of Portage Lake Plantation in county of Aroostook, State of Maine, in consideration of seven hundred and one Dollars to one well and truly paid by G.B. Hayward of Ashland, county of Aroostook and State of Maine, do hereby bargain, sell, Transfer and Deliver unto the said G.B. Hayward the following goods and chattels to wit, namely

2 Horses, one Bay mare & one white Horse, Paid	\$300.00
1 set Lead Harness, the same I had of Lovejoy,	\$30.00
One colt, 2 years old, mare Bay the same I raised,	\$75.00
One colt 3 years, has Black, the same I raised,	\$75.00
One single Harness, the same I had of Lovejoy,	\$10.00
One Buggy, the same I had of Lovejoy,	\$50.00
Four cows, all red, the same I raised myself, <u>20</u>	\$80.00
Seventeen sheep <span style="float:right">3.00</span>	\$51.00
3 yearlings, the same I raised,	<u>\$30.00</u>
	\$701.00

Recd Payment the above described Property is now in my possession and free from all incumbrances, and I hereby put said G.B. Hayward in possession of the said property by delivering him this deed.

Whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 25 day January A.D. 1890.

Henry A. Hayward

In witness, W.B. Hallett

Consideration of Bill Sale are such that in six months from date, Henry Hayward shall pay 1 note of hand bearing even date with the above bill for two hundred dollars with int.  
\$200

One note in twelve months from date \$200  
One note in eighteen months from date \$200  
\$600

All the above notes bearing even date with above Bill sale, this Bill sale shall be null and void, otherwise remains in full force and virtue.

Henry A. Hayward

Witness, W.B. Hallett

The above is a true copy of writing sent me by G.B. Hayward to be recorded this 27 day of Jan 1890.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk, Portage Lake

This Bill of Sale has been paid in full and is now discharged by order of Henry A. Hayward this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1892, also three notes of hand of same date as bill sale.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 121:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake qualified to vote in town affairs you are hereby notified and warned in the name of the State of Maine to meet at the School house in said plantation on Monday March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1890, to act on the following articles. 1<sup>st</sup> to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> to choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year; next to see if the Town will vote to to raise money for the support of Schools, or any other purposes. Given under our hands this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March.

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown

William Segee

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1890 Met agreeable to the above.

Chose Fred Bolstridge for Moderator

- - - Orren L. Stevens for Clerk
- - - M.D. Brown for first assessor
- - - C.O. Ross for Second
- - - James Lonergan Third
- - - Orren L. Stevens for Treasurer
- - - Wm. Segee for School agent
- - - C.O. Ross for Collector
- - - S.C. Stevens and M.D. Brown for Committee
- - - M. D. Brown for Constable
- - - C.O. Ross to look after road tax

Treasurer's report accepted, \$136.99 in Treasury

Collector's report accepted, \$51.57 uncollected

Voted to raise \$200 for the support of schools and to buy books for the town

Voted to have twenty weeks school in South Dist.

- - - to have ten weeks school in North Dist.
- - - to tax all property in town
- - - to pay five cents on a dollar for collecting taxes for 1889 and 1890

The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 122:**

Know all men by these Presents that I, Ai Bragdon of Portage Lake, county of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of Seventy Five dollars paid by Jeremiah McGowan of same place, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, sell, transfer and deliver unto the said Jeremiah McGowan the following goods and chattels, namely

one Black Horse, three years old and known as the McGowan horse  
The conditions of this Bill of Sale is such if the said Ai Bragdon pays a note of same date and of the same amount of this Bill of sale it shall be null and void at time that said note is due, if not it shall be in full binding force to have and to hold all and singular the said goods and chattels to the said Jeremiah McGowan and his executors, administrators, and assigns to their own use and behoof forever, and I hereby covenant with the said Jeremiah McGowan that I am the lawful owner of said goods and chattels, that they are free from all incumbrances, that I have good right to sell the same as aforesaid and that I will warrant and defend the same unto him, the said Jeremiah McGowan heirs, executors, administrators or assigns against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

In Witness Whereof, I the said Ai Bragdon hereunto set my hand and seal this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April in year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety.

Ai Bragdon

Signed, sealed and Delivered in presence of J.H. Carter

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me by Jerry McGowan to be recorded this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1890.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk, Portage Lake

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**Page 123:**

\$75 Portage Lake, Me April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1890

Seven months after date I promise to pay to the order of Jeremiah McGowan Seventy Five Dollars at Eight per cent interest untill paid.

Value received.

Ai Bragdon

Witness, James Conden

The above is a true copy of a note handed to me by Jerry McGowan to be recorded this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1890.

Orren L. Stevens

\$30.00 Presque Isle, Maine 7/5, 1892

6 months after date I promise to pay to the order of Wheeler & Hicks Thirty---00/100 Dollars with interest at the rate of 7 percent per annum, payable annually, until fully paid. Value received. It is expressly understood and agreed that the one 2 Horse 2 in straight axel wagon Painted red for which this note is given is to remain the property of the said Wheeler & Hicks until this note is fully paid.

Witness, Charles O. Ross

The above is a true copy of note of hand sent me by Wheeler & Hicks this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1892, recorded on page 123.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 124:**

Notice

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified to vote according to the constitution and the laws of the state, you are hereby notified to assemble at the said school house in the said Plantation on Monday the eighth day of September 1890 at two o'clock in the afternoon to give in your votes for Governor, Representatives to Congress, Senator, Representatives to the legislature, County Commissioners, Sheriff, County Attorney, County Treasurer, Clerk of Courts and Register of Deeds. Given under our hands at Portage Lake Plantation this second day of September.

Millard D. Brown

Charles O. Ross

The following are a list of persons qualified according to the law to vote in Portage Lake Plantation, State of Maine, Aroostook County

Bolstridge, Fred	absent	West, Frank	absent
Goss, C.S.	voted	Sutherland, G., Jr.	---
Goss, H. E.	---	West, T.B.	voted
Bragdon, A. I.	---	Merrill, Rob.	---
Bragdon, G. E.	---		
Fox, C. W.	---		
Fox, Edmund	---		
Lonargan, James	---		
McGowan, John	---		
McGowan, Chas.	---		
Clark, Chas.	---		
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.	absent		
Sutherland, G. L.	voted		
Sutherland, G. A.	---		
Ross, C.O.	---		
Stevens, O.L.	---		
Segee, William	---		
Stevens, S.C.	---		
Stevens, N.W.	---		
Brown, M.D.	---		

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**Page 125:**

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following officers

For Governor

Edwin C. Burleigh had fourteen

William P. Thompson ---Six

For Representative to Congress

Charles A. Boutelle had fourteen

Josiah Crosby --- Six

For Senators

James Nutting had fourteen

Frederick A. Powers -- --

Albert L. Haines had Six

Daniel Lewis -- --

For Sheriff

James W. Bolton had fourteen

Black Hawk Putnam --- Six

For Clerk of Courts

Michael M. Clark had fourteen

Lyman S. Strickland --- Six

For County Attorney

Charles F. Daggett had fourteen

Calvin B. Roberts --- Six

For Register of Deeds

James H. Kidder had fourteen

Amasa Howe ---Six

For County Treasurer

Walter A. Nickerson had fourteen

Thomas M. Bradbury --- Six

For County Commissioners  
James R. Thurlough had fourteen  
Charles E. Dunn -- -- -- --  
Joseph F. Theriault had Six  
Alexander Wilson -- -- -- --  
For Representatives to Legislature  
William Dickey had Eighteen

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 126:**

\$50. Portage Lake Plt., Maine Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1890  
For value received I Promise to pay Levi H. May or order the sum of Fifty Dollars, in three months twenty five dollars, the balance in one year from date with interest at 6 per cent per annum until paid.

J. McGowan

In consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars the amount specified in the above note and on collateral security for the payment thereof, I Jerrimire McGowan of Portage Lake Plt., county of Aroostook and State of Maine have this day sold and delivered to said Levi H. May one mare color Brown, the same I this day bought of said May and I agree with said Levi H. May to keep said property in good order and condition free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession, that he or his authorized attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of the law at any time before or after maturity of said note and to sell said property at public or private sale with or without notice and apply the proceeds of such sale first to the payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same and for time and travel expended in endeavoring to collect the same after due and balance to the payment of said note and interest and that there shall be no redemption of any sale of said property and that he may enter into any part of my premises for that purpose. Provided Nevertheless if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained, then this instrument to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D. 1890.

J. McGowan

The foregoing is a true copy of writing sent to me by Levi H. May, 13<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1890.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 127:**

\$194 Portage Lake, Me Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1890  
For Value Received I promise to pay R.N. Lovejoy or Order One hundred and Ninety four Dollars with interest after eight months, the Same being for One Bangor Style Top Buggy and one D.R. O. & No 4 Me Prison Harness which I have this day bought of said Lovejoy, said Buggy and Harness to remain the property of said Lovejoy until said sum and interest are paid. Sixty five Dollars payable Nine months from date, sixty five Dollars payable twenty one months from date, and the balance payable Thirty three months from date.

G.A. Sutherland

Attest

J. F. Mullin

The above is a try copy of writing handed me by R.N. Lovejoy this 11 day of October 1890.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 128:**

\$100.00 Portage Lake Oct 6, 1890

For value received we jointly and severally promise to pay Charles O. Ross or Order One Hundred Dollars July 1, 1891 or before with six per cent interest untill paid.

Joseph X Goodblood  
Marshall X Goodblood

Witness  
Will E. Ross

\$75 Portage Lake Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, 1890

For value received we jointly and severally promise to pay Charles O. Ross or Order Seventy five Dollars May 1, 1892 or before with interest at 6 per cent untill paid.

Joseph X Goodblood  
Marshall X Goodblood

Witness  
Will E. Ross

The above are true coppies handed me by Charles O. Ross the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 1890.  
Orren L. Stevens, Plantation Clerk

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**Page 130:**

The Intention of Marriage between Mr. George L. Sutherland and Mrs. Martha E. Hayward both of Portage Lake was this day recorded in Town Book.

Portage Lake, Nov 8, 1890

Orren L. Stevens, Town Clerk

Nov. 13, 1890

This day filled out certificate for George L. Sutherland for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Town Clerk

This Certifies that George L. Sutherland and Mrs. Martha E. Hayward both of Portage Lake were lawfully married at Ashland, Nov 13<sup>th</sup>, 1890.

M.R. Keefe

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**Page 131:**

Certificate of Adoption

This certifies that the Undersigned has adopted for use in the Schools of this Town, the term of five years the following Books:

New Normal First Reader, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth; Rands Elementary Arithmetic, Rands Complete Arithmetic, Rands Lessons in English, Rands Practical Grammar, Buckwaltens Com. Speller, Dungleison's Physiology  
Supervisor of Schools,

Portage Lake Plantation, Me  
Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 1890

Received and Recorded  
Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 1890

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 132 & 133:**

Know all men by these Presents that I, Henry A. Hayward, of Portage Lake Plan., Aroostook County, Maine, in consideration of the sum of One hundred and twenty five Dollars paid by Millard Brown of the same place, the receipt whereof I the said Henry A. Hayward do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained, and sold and by these

Presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Millard Brown the following goods and chattels to wit:

One bay two year old mare colt sired by Fearless, the same I raised, also one bay yearling colt mare, the same bought from Mrs. Brown, Both being now in my possession.

To have and to hold the said goods and chattels unto the said Millard Brown, his heirs, Executors and administrators or assigns to his only proper use, benefit and behoof forever, and I the said Henry A. Hayward do avouch myself to be the true and lawfull owner of the said goods and chattels and have in me full power, good right and lawfull authority to dispose of the same in manner aforesaid, and I do for myself, my Heirs, Executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to Warrant and defend the said goods and chattels against the lawfull claims and demands of all persons whomsoever unto him the said Millard Brown, his Heirs, Executors, and administrators or assigns. Provided Nevertheless that if the said Henry A. Hayward, my Executors or administrators shall pay unto the said Millard Brown, his Executors, administrators, or assigns the sum of One hundred and twenty five Dollars in 1 year from the date with interest at six per cent per annum payable annually, then this bill of sale or also a certain promissory note bearing even date with these presents given by the said Henry A. Hayward to the said Millard Brown to pay the sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall both be void, otherwise shall remain in full force. Provided also that it shall and may be lawfull for said Hayward to continue in possession of said goods and chattels until default in the performance of this deed.

In witness whereof I the said Henry A. Hayward has herunto set my hand this twentieth day of October in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety, signed and delivered in presence of A.G. Heawland. Henry A. Hayward

The above is a true copy of writing handed to me by Millard Brown to be recorded this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 1890.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

May 12<sup>th</sup> 1893

The foregoing writing is cancelled by order of Millard Brown and Henry A. Hayward.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 134:**

The Intention of Marriage between Mr. Robert Merrill and Miss Nellie West both of Portage Lake was this day recorded by me in Town book

Portage Lake, Marc. 21, 1891

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

March 25, 1891

This day filled out certificate for Robert Merrill for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Town Clerk

This Certifies that Mr. Robert Merrill and Miss Nellie West both of Portage Lake were lawfully married at Ashland, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1891.

M. R. Keefe

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**Page 135:**

Notice

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, you are hereby Notified and warned to meet at the school house in said Plantation on Monday March the 30<sup>th</sup>. First to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting, next to choose the officers for the ensuing year, next to see if the Town will Vote to raise money for the support of schools or for any other business necicary. Given under our hands this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1891.

Millard D. Brown

Charles O. Ross

James Lonergan

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice. Chose Charles O. Ross for Moderator. N.W. Stevens, Clerk protem. Voted to adjourn to the first Monday in April.

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1891 Met agreeable to the above.

Chose Orren L. Stevens for clerk

S.C. Stevens first assessor

C.O. Ross Second

James Lonergan third

Orren L. Stevens Treasurer

C.O. Ross Collector

Will Segee School agent

M.D. Brown Constable

M.D. Brown, S.C. Stevens, Committee

Collectors report accepted, \$85.44 uncollected

Treas report accepted, \$134.49 in Treas.

Voted to raise \$150 for Schools.

to have 20 weeks School in South dist., 10 in North.

to abate the balance of Henry Hayward's tax for 1889

to pay 10 per cent interest on tax not paid before Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, to pay 5 per cent for

Collecting taxes.

The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 136:**

Notice

Warrant for Town or Plantation Meeting:

To M.D. Brown, constable of The Plantation of Portage Lake Greeting: In the Name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to Notify and warn the inhabitants of said Plantation of Portage Lake qualified to Vote for Governor to assemble at the school House in said Plantation on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April next at 1 O'clock in the afternoon to give in their ballot upon the following proposition: Shall the county of Aroostook subscribe for and purchase preferred stock of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad company to an amount equal to five per centum of the valuation of said county as established by the legislature in 1891 but not to exceed the sum of five hundred thousand Dollars in all. The assessors give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the school House at 12 O'clock in the afternoon on the day of said meeting. Given under our hands this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 1891.

S.C. Stevens

C.O. Ross, Assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

A true copy

Attest M. D. Brown, Constable of Portage Lake

Met agreeable to the above and voted. Had 9 votes, 7 voted yes and 2 voted No.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 137**

The Intention of Marriage between Mr. Joseph Goodblood Jr. of Portage Lake and Miss Pheobie Burbee of Wallagrass was this day recorded in plantation Book by me

Portage Lake July 21<sup>st</sup> 1891

Orren L. Stevens, Town Clerk

July 25<sup>th</sup> 1891

This day filled out certificate for Joseph Goodblood for the purpose of getting married.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk



Ashland, March 31<sup>st</sup> 1891

This Certifies that Joseph Goodblood of Portage Lake and Pheobe Burbee of Wallagrass were by me lawfully joined in marriage at Ashland, July 25 1891.

M.R. Keefe

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**Pages 138 & 139:**

Know All Men by these Presents That I, Charles W. Sutherland of Portage Lake in the County of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of the sum of ten hundred and fifty Dollars paid by F.W. Burns of Fort Fairfield in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine, the receipt whereof I the said Charles W. Sutherland do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell to the said Burns the following goods and chattels to wit:

2 bay mares, one 4 & the other 5 years old, same I bought of said Burns this fall & 2 Grey mares, 1 Bay horse or Stag, one Bay mare name Polly, one Bay mare Kit, all I have had of said Burns some time ago & one Grey Horse, one Grey mare I had of Wm. Segee, one Blk colt, 1 year old same I raised, also all of their Harnesses and sleds and rigging. To have and to hold the said goods and chattels unto the said Burns, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to only proper use, benefit and behoof forever, and I the said Sutherland do avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of the said goods and have full power, good right, and lawfull authority to dispose of the same in manner aforesaid, and I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said goods and chattels against the lawfull claims and demands of all persons whomsoever unto the said Burns, his heirs, executors and administrators or assigns. Provided Nevertheless that if the said Charles W. Sutherland or his executors, administrators or assigns shall pay unto the said F.W. Burns or his executors, administrators or assigns the sum of ten hundred and fifty Dollars & interest, one Note for (\$500) five hundred dollars given this day, also one Note for (\$250) two hundred and fifty given some time ago. Both Payable in one year from Date of Notes and to secure a Note held by N.M. Drew signed by F.W. Burns, given about 15 months ago for \$300, making \$1,050. From this date with interest at 10 per cent per annum payable annually, then this bill of sale or also certain promissory notes bearing even date with these presents & other orates given by said Charles W. Sutherland, the sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall be paid (will be Void), otherwise shall remain in full force.

Provided also that it shall and may be lawfull for said \_\_\_\_\_ to continue in possession of said \_\_\_\_\_ until \_\_\_\_\_

In witness whereof \_\_\_\_\_ the said \_\_\_\_\_ have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of November in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of Mr. C.A. Sutherland, Fort Fairfield, Maine, November 10, 1890

Chas. W. Sutherland

I release my claim on one Bay Mare name Kit.

F.W. Burns

The foregoing is a true copy of writing handed me by F.W. Burns to be recorded this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1891.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 140:**

Know all Men by these Presents That I Charles W. Sutherland of Portage Lake in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of the sum of two hundred Dollars paid by F.W. Burns of Fort Fairfield in the county of Aroostook and State of

Maine, the receipt whereof I the said Charles W. Sutherland do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold and by these Presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Burns the following goods and chattels to wit: One Black Mare, same I had of W. Segee, 25 tons of Hay, one reaper of Woods Manufacture, one farm wagon & one express wagon. To have and to hold the said goods and chattels unto the said Burns, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to only proper use benefit and behoof forever, and I the said Sutherland do avouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of the said property and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in manner aforesaid, and I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said property against the lawfull claims and demands of all persons whomsoever unto the said Burns, his heirs, executors and administrators or assigns.

Provided nevertheless that if the said Chas. W. Sutherland executors, administrators or assigns shall pay unto the said Burns or his executors, administrators or assigns the sum two hundred Dollars one year from date with interest at 10 per cent per annum, payable annually, then this bill of sale certain promissory note bearing even date with these presents given by the said Sutherland, the sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall be void, otherwise shall remain in full force, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety one.

Signed sealed and Delivered in presence of Mrs C. A. Sutherland, Portage Lake, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1891

Chas W. Sutherland

The above is a true copy of bill sale handed to me by F.W. Burns to be recorded.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 141:**

Know all men by these Presents that I Perry O. Prosser of Portage lake, County of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of the sum of forty five Dollars paid by R.A. Nixon of Ludlow, County and State aforesaid, the receipt whereof I the said Perry O. Prosser do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said R.A. Nixon the following described property viz: 1 light Bay horse with one white foot behind, ten years old known as Tom, and one Brown cow ten years old, the same I this day have bought of R.A. Nixon, to have and to hold the said horse and cow unto the said R.A. Nixon, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to his only proper use, benefit and behoof forever, and I the said Perry O. Prosser do avouch myself to be the true and lawfull owner of the said horse and cow, and have in me full Power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same in the manner aforesaid, and I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the said horse and cow against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever unto him the said R.A. Nixon, his heirs and executors, administrators and assigns. Provided nevertheless that if the said Perry O. Prosser, his executors, administrators or assigns shall pay unto the said R.A. Nixon, his executors, administrators or assigns the sum of forty five Dollars in two months from date with interest at eight per cent per annum, then this bill of sale or also a certain promissory note being even date with these presents given by the said Perry O. Prosser to the said R.A. Nixon to pay the sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall be void, otherwise shall be in full force. Provided also that it may and shall be lawfull for the said Perry O. Prosser to continue in Possession of the said horse and cow until failure to pay as above. In witness whereof I the said Perry O. Prosser have hereunto set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of March in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety two.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of J. Walter Jackson.

Perry O. Prosser

The above is a true copy of bill sale handed to me to be recorded this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1892.

Orren L. Stevens

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**Page 142:**

\$45.00                      March 19<sup>th</sup> 1892

Sixty Days after date for value received, I Promise to pay to the order of R.A. Nixon the sum of Forty Five Dollars at Portage Lake, Maine with interest at eight per cent per annum

Perry O. Prosser

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**Page 143:**

Notice

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, you are hereby Notified and warned to meet at the School house in said Plan on Monday March the 28<sup>th</sup> at 1 o'clock PM to choose the town Officers and to act upon any business that may come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1892.

Samuel C. Stevens

Charles O. Ross, assessors Portage Lake Plantation

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1892

Met agreeable to the Written Notice, and chose Millard D. Brown for Moderator. Voted to adjourn to first Monday in April. Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1892

Opened adjourned meeting

Chose Orren L. Stevens for clerk

- - - Stevens, Samuel C., 1<sup>st</sup> assessor
- - - Millard D. Brown 2<sup>nd</sup>
- - - William Segee 3<sup>rd</sup>
- - - Millard D. Brown for Treasurer
- - - Charles O. Ross for Collector
- - - Orren L. Stevens School agent
- - - George L. Sutherland School Committee
- - - Millard D. Brown    - - - -
- - - William Segee    - - - -

Collectors report accepted, \$20 uncollected

Treasurers report accepted, \$205.62 in Treas.

Voted to raise \$150 for Schools

- - - to raise \$50 for repairs on school houses

Agents report accepted, chose C.O. Ross constable.

Voted to pay Wm. Segee \$4 for a cord of hard wood

- - - to have 20 weeks school in south dist. and 10 in North
- - - to have the assessors for comm. on repairs
- - - 5 per cent for collecting and 10 per cent on tax not paid in before Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1892.

The officers have been duly sworn.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 144:**

Notice of Foreclosure

Whereas Perry O. Prosser of Portage lake in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine, by his chattel mortgage dated March 19<sup>th</sup> A.D., 1892 and recorded in Vol 1 page 141 in

the records of mortgages of personal property in said Portage Lake, conveyed to me the undersigned R.A. Nixon, one light bay horse with one white foot behind, ten years old know as Tom, and one brown cow ten years old, the same bought of said Nixon. Now therefor the condition of said mortgage is broken by reason whereof I claim a foreclosure of the same and give this Notice for that purpose.

Houlton, ME, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1892

R.A. Nixon, by his attorneys Powers & Putman

I, Chas. S. Gregory, hereby certify that I served the above notice on said Prosser by leaving a copy of said Notice with the said Perry O. Prosser on the Seventh day of June 1892.

Fees Service .50  
Travel 19 miles 1 way 1.56  
\$2.06

C.S. Gregory

State of Maine,

Aroostook, so Subscribed and sworn to before me this Seventh day of June 1892.

Fred G. Dunn, Justice of the Peace

The above is a true copy of writing sent me by Powers & Putnam to be recorded this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 145:**

State of Maine

May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1892

To Charles O. Ross of Portage lake

The undersigned municipal officers of the Plantation of Portage Lake in the county of Aroostook and Said State hereby appoint you as election Clerk within and for said Portage Lake for the term of two years from the date hereof, and the said undersigned also hereby detail you to serve as ballot clerk within and for said Portage lake Plant. during said term of two years.

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown, municipal officers of Portage Lake Plantation

State of Maine

Aroostook, S.S.

July 11<sup>th</sup>

1892

Then Personally appeared before me the above named Charles O. Ross and took the oaths necessary to qualify him to discharge according to the law the duties of the above named office.

before me,

Fred G. Dunn, Justice of the Peace

The above is a true copy of writing handed me by Charles O. Ross to be recorded this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 146:**

State of Maine

May 30<sup>th</sup>

1892

To Charles S. Goss of Portage Lake

The undersigned Municipal officers of the Plantation of Portage lake in the county of Aroostook in said state hereby appoint you as election Clerk within and for said Portage Lake for the term of two years from the date hereof, and the said undersigned also hereby detail you to serve as ballot Clerk within and for said Portage Lake Plantation during said term of two years.

Samuel C. Stevens

Plantation

State of Maine

Aroostook, s.s.

1892

Then Personally appeared the above named Charles S. Goss and took the oaths necessary to qualify him to discharge according to law the duties of the above named office.

Before me, W.A. Vinal, Jr., Justice of the Peace

The above is a true copy of writing handed me by Charles S. Goss to be recorded this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 148:**

Notice

To the Inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation, County of Aroostook: Greeting, the inhabitants of Portage Lake Plantation qualified according to constitution and laws of this State are hereby notified and warned to assemble at the School house in said Plantation on Monday the twelfth day of September A.D. 1892 at one o'clock in the afternoon to give in their votes for Governor, Representatives to Congress, Senators, Representatives to the Legislature, County Commissioners, Sheriff, County Attorney, County Treasurer, Judge of Probate and Register of Probate. The Polls will close at five o'clock P.M. The Selectmen will be in session at S.C. Stevens house in said Plantation at ten o'clock A.M. for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands this fifth day of September in the year of our lord 1892.

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown, Select men of Portage Lake Plantation

The following are a list of the persons on check list qualified to vote in Portage Lake Plan.:

Bragdon, A.I.	X	Merrell, Robert	X
Bragdon, Everett	X	Ross, Charles O.	X
Bragdon, Sumner	X	Ross, David D.	
Bragdon, Calvin	X	Ross, Will E.	X
Bolstridge, Fred	X	Stevens, Newcomb W.	X
Brown, Millard	X	Stevens, Samuel C.	X
Clark, Charles	X	Stevens, Orren L.	X
Fox, Edward	X	Segee, William	X
Fox, Warren	X	Sutherland, G.A.	
Goss, Sewell	X	Sutherland, N.B.	X
Goss, Harrison	X	Sutherland, George G.	
Goodblood, Joseph Jr.		Sutherland, George L.	X
Goodblood, Marshall		Sutherland, Will H.	
Lanergan, James	X	West, Thomas	
McGowan, John		West, Frank	X
McGowan, Charles	X		

**Page 149:**

Met agreeable to the foregoing Notice and voted for the following officers:

For Governor

Henry B Cleaves of Portage had Sixteen

Charles F. Johnson of Waterville had Seven

For Representative to Congress  
Charles A. Boutelle of Bangor had Sixteen  
Don. A. H. Powers of Houlton had Seven  
For Senators  
Edward Wiggin of Presque Isle had Sixteen  
Ransford W. Shaw of Houlton had Sixteen  
Black Hawk Putnam of Houlton had Seven  
John Sweeney of Fort Kent had Seven  
For County Attorney  
Charles F. Daggett of Presque Isle Had Sixteen  
Calvin B. Roberts of Caribou had Seven  
For Judge of Probate  
George H. Smith of Presque Isle had Sixteen  
William T. Spear of Fort Fairfield had Seven  
For Register of Probate  
Harry M. Briggs of Houlton had Sixteen  
Bertram L. Fletcher of Monticello had Seven  
For Sheriff  
James W. Bolton of Presque Isle had Sixteen  
Lionel T. Clough of Houlton had Seven  
For County Commissioner  
Charles E. Dunn of Houlton had Sixteen  
Alexander Wilson of Houlton had Seven  
For County Treasurer  
Walter A. Nickerson of Houlton had Sixteen  
Herman N. Whitehead of Houlton had Seven  
For Representatives to Legislature  
William Dickey of Fort Kent had twenty three  
And the votes given in on the proposed amendment of the constitution were as follows:  
On the amendment relative to appointment of adjt. General, four, the four voted No  
On the amendment providing for the educational qualifications for voters, ten, the  
number who voted yes was five, the number who voted No was five  
The foregoing is correctly copied from the official return of the assessors  
Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 150:**

\$150                      Portage Lake, Me August 30<sup>th</sup>, 1892  
For Value Received I promise to pay or order the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars  
with interest annually at eight per cent, Seventy five Dollars payable Five months from  
date and the balance payable August 1<sup>st</sup> 1893.

Marshall Goodblood, X, his mark

Attest  
Ida McGowan

In Consideration of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, the amount specified in the  
above note, and as collateral security for the payment thereof, I have this day sold and  
delivered to said Jere McGowan of Portage Lake, County of Aroostook and State of Maine,  
the following described Personal Property viz: One Gilding Horse, color Bay about 12  
years old, the same I this day bought of said Jere McGowan, also One Black Stallion 7  
years old, the same I bought of Charles Sutherland of Portage Lake about Two years ago.  
And I agree with said Jere McGowan to keep said property in good order and condition  
free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession.  
And I further agree with said Jere McGowan that he or his authorized attorney shall have

the right to take said property without process of law at any time or after maturity of said note and to sell said property at public or private sale with or without notice after maturity of said note, and apply the proceeds of such sale to the payment of said note and interest and all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same, and that he may enter into any part of my building or premises for that purpose. Provided Nevertheless, if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained, then this instrument to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Witness my hand this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D. 1892.

Marshall Goodblood, X, his mark

Witness to signature and delivery of property, Ida McGowan

This Writing is a true copy of writing handed to me by Jerrie McGowan to be recorded this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1892. Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

This Note has been paid and is now in Marshall Goodblood's possession. Apr. 12<sup>th</sup> 1893, and is canceled by order of Jerrie McGowan.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 151:**

Notice

To Charles O. Ross, Constable of the Plantation of Portage lake in the County of Aroostook: Greetings, you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to Notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Plantation of Portage Lake qualified according to the Constitution and the laws of this state to assemble at the School house in said Plantation on Tuesday the Eighth day of November A.D. 1892 at one o'clock in the afternoon to give in their votes for Electors of President and Vice President. Hereof fail not and have you these this Warrant with your doings therin.

Given under our hands at Portage lake this first day of November in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety two.

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown, assessors of Portage Lake Plantation

Republican

Met agreeable to the following Notice and voted for the following for Electors of President and Vice President:

Thomas W. Hyde of Bath had fourteen votes

William M. Nash of Cherryfield had fourteen votes

Ernest M. Goodall of Sanford had fourteen votes

Sidney Perham of Paris had fourteen votes

Asa W. Wilde of Skowhegan had fourteen votes

Rodney C. Penney of Monson had fourteen votes

Democrat

Charles H. Chase of Portland had two votes

Albert W. Madigan of Houlton had two votes

Daniel Cote of Rideford had two votes

Isae W. Sherman of Camden had two votes

Samuel W. Gould of Skowhegan had two votes

Aaron L. Simpson of Bangor had two votes

Prohibition

Neal Dow of Portland had one vote

Lyman B. Merritt of Houlton had one vote

Rufus Doring of Portland had one vote

Nathan F. Woodbury of Auburn had one vote

Joseph E. Briggs of Winthrop had one vote  
John Barker of Calais had one vote

Orren L. Stevens, Plan. Clerk

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**Page 152:**

Know all Men by these Presents, that I Perry Prosser of Portage Lake Plantation in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine in consideration of Twenty three and 50/100 paid by Charles Ross of Portage Lake Pl., the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to said Chas. Ross the following goods and chattels to wit: 1 cow, color red: seven years old, same I bought of Wad Fox; also two ewe sheep color white marked with holes in right ear.

To have and to hold the same to the said Grantee his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I, the said Perry Prosser, do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same, as aforesaid. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. Provided nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators or assigns, according to my note of this date, the same of Twenty three & 50/100 Dollars, the first day of March 1893, with interest at 6%.

Otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this sixteenth day of November 1892.

Perry O Prosser

Signed and delivered in presence of F.G. Dunn

The above is a true copy of writing sent me to be recorded this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Nov 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 153:**

\$35.00                      Ashland      July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1891

Ten months, twelve Days after date I promise to pay to the order of Bev Hawkins Thirty Five dollars with interest payable annually at the rate of 08 per cent until paid, value received. The Waggon for which this note is given is to remain the property of the said Bev Hawkins until this note is fully paid, waiving all right of redemption after breach hereof by nonpayment. Payable at Ashland.

G.A. Sutherland

Witness, C.A. Carter

The above is a true copy of writing sent me to be recorded this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 154:**

Know all Men by these Presents, that I, Ai Bragdon of Portage Lake in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine in consideration of Forty one dollars paid by Frank Murphy of Ashland, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to said Frank Murphy the following goods and chattels, to wit:

One kineo Range and ware, same I bought of said Murphy this day: Also gray cow four years old, same I had of Jerrie McGowan, and one red & white colored cow, same I had of Del Sutherland.

To have and to hold the same to the said Grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns forever. And I the said Ai Bragdon do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property, and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same as aforesaid. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the



said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. Provided nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators or assigns, according to my note of due date the sum of forty one dollars in four months from this date with interest at the rate of ten per cent till date and at the rate of \$2.00 per month after date.

Otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this nineteenth day of December 1892.

Ai Bragdon

Signed and delivered in presence of Fred G. Dunn

The above is a true copy of writing sent me to be recorded this twenty first day of December 1892.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 155:**

Know all Men by these Presents, that I Marshall Goodblood of Portage lake Plan in the county of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of Seventy five dollars paid by William Ross of Portage Lake, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to said Ross the following goods and chattels, to wit: One Bay horse with black mane & tail, twelve years old, same I bought of Jerry McGowan last fall.

To have and to hold the same to the said Grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I, the said Marshall Goodblood, do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right, and lawful authority to dispose of the same as aforesaid. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Provided, nevertheless, that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns according to my note of this date the sum of Seventy five Dollars on the first day of April 1894 with interest at ten per cent per annum till paid. Otherwise to remain in full force and virtue. Witness my hand this Eleventh day of May 1893.

Marshall Goodblood, X, his mark

Signed and Delivered in presence of F. G. Dunn, wit. to mark

The above is a true copy of writing handed me by William Ross to be recorded this Eleventh day of May 1893.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

Note recorded on Page 158

The amount of the writing on page 155 has been paid and is discharged by order of William Ross this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1895.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 156:**

\$55.00 Portage Lake, Me Mar 9, 1893

For Value Received I promise to pay to the order of Levi H. May the sum of fifty five Dollars and cents in three months from date with interest at 06 per cent per annum until paid.

J. McGowan

Attest—In consideration of the sum of fifty five Dollars and cents the amount specified in the above note and as collateral security for the payment thereof, I J. McGowan of Portage Lake Pl, county of Aroostook and State of Maine, have this day sold and delivered to said L.H. May one pair if colts age five years this coming spring, one mare color brown

with a strip in face and hind feet white, one horse color bay with a star in head and one white hind foot, and I agree with Levi H. May to keep said property in good order and condition free of expense to him so long as he shall allow the same to remain in my possession, and I further agree with said Levi H. May that he or his authorized attorney shall have the right to take said property without process of law at any time before or after maturity of said note, and to sell said property at public or private sale with or without notice and apply the proceeds of such sale first to the payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred on account of the same and for time and travel expended in endeavoring to collect the same after due, and balance to the payment of said note and interest and that there shall be no redemption of any sale of said property and that he may enter into any part of my buildings for that purpose.

Provided nevertheless if I pay said note according to its terms and conditions and in all things comply with the terms and agreements herein contained, then this instrument to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect. Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of Mar. A.D. 1893

J. McGowan

Witness to signature and delivery of property

This is a true copy of writing handed to me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of Mar. 1893

Orren L. Stevens, PL Clerk

July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
of L.H. May.

The above writing has been paid and is now discharged by order

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Pages 157 & 158:**

Notice

To the inhabitants of Portage Lake qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby notified and warned in the name of the State of Maine to meet at the School house in said Plantation on Monday Mar 27, 1893 to act on the following articles: to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting; second to choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year, next to see if the town will vote to raise money for the support of Schools or any other purposes.

Given under our hands this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1893

Samuel C. Stevens

Millard D. Brown

William Segee, assessors

Met agreeable to the above Notice and chose Wm. Segee for Moderator. Voted to adjourn to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 1893.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

Opened adjourned meeting

Chose Orren L. Stevens for Clerk

- - - - C.O. Ross first assessor

- - - - M. D. Brown Second

- - - - S.C. Stevens Third

- - - - M.D. Brown for Treasurer

- - - - Orren L. Stevens for School agent

- - - - C.O. Ross for Collector

- - - - S.C. Stevens, M.D. Brown & Wm. Segee for Supt. School Committee

- - - - C.S. Goss for Constable

- - - - C.O. Ross for Scaler

- - - - Wm. Segee for fence Viewer

The officers have been duly sworn.

Collector Statement accepted, whole amount assessed \$174.66. Collected \$138.35, uncollected \$35.89.

Treasurer Statement accepted.

Balance in Treasurer \$279.20

Voted to get 1 cord hard wood and ¼ cord dry wood for Dist No 1 to be got by S.C. Stevens for \$3.50.

Voted to get ¾ of a cord for Dist No 2 to be got by C.S. Goss for \$2.00.

Voted to raise \$150.00 for Schools, the Schools to be run the same as last year by the Agent carried Orren Stevens

Voted to raise \$40 for repairs, the assessors to act as com. on repairs

- - - to buy a stove from Nat Sutherland for \$5.00 if it suits the Town. The Stove is for School house in Dis No 2 to be put in before School commences, the floors to be laid in both houses this spring and chimney to be built in Dis No 2, if one can get brick enough.

Voted to adjourn, meeting closed.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 158:**

\$75 Ashland, Maine, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1893

April 1<sup>st</sup> 1894 after date I promise to pay to the order of William Ross Seventy five Dollars with interest annually at ten per cent until paid.

Value received.

Marshall Goodblood, X, his mark

Attest: F.G. Dunn

The above is a true copy of writing handed me by William Ross to be recorded this eleventh day of May 1893.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk

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**Page 159:**

\$125 Portage Lake Pl., Aroostook co., Me Sept 22, 1893

May 1, after due, I promise to pay to the order of R.N. Lovejoy One hundred and twenty five Dollars with interest annually at six percent until fully paid.

Value received.

Due Attest, Ellen E. Sutherland

G.A. Sutherland

Know all men by these Presents, that I G.A. Sutherland of Portage Lake Pl in the county of Aroostook and state of Maine, in consideration of One hundred and twenty five dollars paid by R.N. Lovejoy of Chesterville, Franklin Co., Me, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to said R.N. Lovejoy the following goods and chattels to wit: One Bangor Top Buggy and one R.O. No 4 Me State Prison Harness, the same Buggy and Harness I bought of said Lovejoy Sept 29, 1890; One Black mare 10 yrs old the same I bought of George B. Dunn about 3 years ago. To have and to hold the same to the said Grantee, heirs, executors and assigns forever and I the said G.A. Sutherland do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same as aforesaid, and I do for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. Provided nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators or assigns according to my note of this date for One hundred and twenty five Dollars with interest annually at six per cent payable to said R.N. Lovejoy or order May 1 after date, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1893  
Signed and Delivered in presence of Ella E. Sutherland  
G.A. Sutherland

The above is a true copy of writing handed me by R.N. Lovejoy to be recorded this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1893.

Orren L. Stevens

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Know all Men by these Presents that I Geo. G. Sutherland of Portage Lake, the County of Aroostook and State of Maine, in consideration of Seventy eight Dollars paid by W.A. Vinal Jr. of Ashland, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby bargain, sell and convey to the said Vinal the following goods and chattels, to wit: one bay horse colt, two years old, same one raised by me. To have and to hold the same to the said Grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I the said Geo. G. Sutherland do vouch myself to be the true and lawful owner of said property and have full power, good right and lawful authority to dispose of the same as aforesaid. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators hereby agree and covenant to warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. Provided Nevertheless that this mortgage shall be void if I or my heirs, executors or administrators shall pay said Grantee or his executors, administrators or assigns according to my note of this date for Seventy Eight Dollars (\$78) in four months from date at any Bank in Presque Isle, Maine, interest Bank rate, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this Twenty third day of October, 1893.

Signed and Delivered in presence of J.B. Bartlett  
Geo. G. Sutherland

The above is a true copy of writing went me by W.A. Vinal to be recorded this twenty fifth day of Oct. 1893.

Orren L. Stevens, Clerk