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**Selected Land Records Parrsboro, Kings County, Nova Scotia**

[Type → Deed of Sale  
Property → Lot 83  
Seller/Mortgagor → Thomas Potts  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → George Stilman  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £30 for 400 acres  
Date → 1<sup>st</sup> October 1788

This Deed was copied and transcribed by Maryellen Canfora.

This is the first known deed for George Stillman Sr.

It should be noted that this lot was sold by George in 1793 to William Teate, who was one of the witnesses to this Deed, for only £11. Either George paid too much for this piece of land, sold it for too little, or somehow the value of the land was reduced.

**FHL MFM# 0496343, Book 1, pages 210-211]**

Deed, Potts to Stilman.

Know all men by these presents that I, Thomas Potts of Parrsborough Kings County and province of Nova Scotia for and in consideration of Thirty pounds sterling to me in hand paid by George Stilman of Parrsborough aforesaid before the ensembling and delivery of those presents the receipt I do hereby acknowledge and myself to be therewith perfectly content, have granted bargained aliened and sold and by those presents do Grant bargain and alien Sell and Confirm unto the said George Stilman a Certain Lott[sic] of Land No. 83 in the Township of Parrsborough containing Four hundred acres more or less which Lott[sic] is as Granted by Government to the Said Thomas Potts. To have and to hold the aforesaid Lott[sic] Number eighty three with all improvements thereon and with every Privilege profit and advantage thereunto in anywise belonging and appertaining and all and singular the estate right title Interest claim and demands whatsoever of him the said Thomas Potts unto him the said George Stilman and unto his heirs and assigns and to his and their sole use benefit and behoof forever and I the said Thomas Potts doth hereby for himself his heirs Executors and administrators Covenant and Grant to and with the Said George Stilman and with his heirs executors administrators and assigns that he the said Thomas Potts his heirs Executors and administrators The Lott [sic] aforesaid and all appertaining thereto unto the Said George Stilman and unto his heirs and assigns Shall and will warrant and forever defend by those presents. In Witness whereof the Said Thomas Potts have hereunto Set his hand and Seal at Parrsborough the first day of October in the year of our Lord 1788.

Signed sealed and delivered  
In presence of  
E. Potts  
Wm Teate

Thomas Potts (LS)

Fees 5/-

Registered on the eleventh day February 1802 at the hour of 11 o'Clock A.M. on the oath William Teate.

Jas. Ratchford DP. Regt [Deputy Registrar]

**[Type → Deed of Sale  
Property → Lot 83  
Seller/Mortgagor → George Stilman  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → William Teate  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £11 for 400 acres  
Date → 25<sup>th</sup> March 1793**

**This Deed was copied and transcribed by Maryellen Canfora.**

**FHL MFM# 0496343, Book 1, pages 101-102]**

Deed, Stilman to Teate.

Know all men by these presents that I George Stillman of Parrsborough Kings County and province of Nova Scotia for and in consideration of Elleven [sic] Pounds Sterling to me in hand paid by Wm. Teate of Parrsborough aforesaid before the consenting and delivery of these presents the receipt I so hereby acknowledge myself to be therewith perfectly content have granted Bargained aliened and Sold and by these presents do grant Bargain Alien Sell and Confirm unto the said William Teate a Certain Lott [sic] of Land No. 83 in the Township of Parrsboro Containing four Hundred acres more or less which Lott [sic] was granted by government Lottes [sic] said Thomas Potts.

To have and to hold the aforesaid Lott [sic] Number Eighty Three – with all Improvement thereon and with every priviledge profit and advantage thereunto in anywise belonging and appertaining and all and singular the estate Right, title, Interest Claim and demand whatsoever of him the said George Stilman unto him the said William Teate and unto his Heirs and assigns and to his and their sole use Benefit and behoof forever and the said George Stilman hereby for himself his Heirs Executors Administrators covenant and grant to and with the said William Teate and with his heirs, Executors administrators and assigns that he the said George Stillman his heirs Executors and administrators the Lott [sic] aforesaid and all appertaining thereto unto the said William Teate and unto his Heirs and assigns Shall and with warrant and forever defend by these presents –

In Witness whereof the said the said [repeated in original] George Stilman have hereunto set his hands and Seal at Parrsborough the 25 day of March in the year of our Lord 1793 –

Signed sealed and delivered  
In presence of

Signed { Arch Thompson  
          { James Wallen

his  
George X Stilman (LS)  
mark

her  
Sarah X Stilman (LS)  
Mark

Registered on the 7 Day of Feby 1797 at the hour of 5 o'clock P.M. by me on the  
acknowledgement of G. Stillman to be  
his free act and Deed  
fees 5/ paid

Jas. Ratchford Dp. Regt.

**[Type → Deed of Sale**

**Property → Lots 16,17,18, and part of 12**

**Seller/Mortgagor → Jonathan Crane**

**Buyer/Mortgage Provider → George Stilman (and 9 others)**

**Value/Mortgage Amount → £5 for 100 acres each**

**Date → 29<sup>th</sup> November 1798**

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**FHL MFM# 0496343, Book 1, page 162]**

Deed, Crane to Conroy & Others.

Know all men by these presents that I, Jonathan Crane of Horton in Kings County in the province of Nova Scotia Esq. For and in consideration of the sum of Five pounds to me in hand paid by Each of the persons hereafter mentioned viz. William Conroy, David Moore, Charles McMilan, Charles Skinner, Isaac Lamb, William Grant, George Stilman, John Braly, Peter Collins & George Rector all of Parrsboro in the said County, the receipt thereof I do hereby acknowledge and myself therewith fully satisfied and paid have given granted bargained and sold unto the said William Conroy, David Moore, Charles McMilan, Charles Skinner, Isac Lamb, William Grant, George Stillman, John Braly, Peter Collins & George Rector, one hundred acres of Land to each of the above mentioned persons in the Lotts [sic] Number 16, 17, and eighteen on the east side of the Road & part of Number 12 on the west side of Road leading from Partridge Island to Cumberland. To have and to hold one hundred acres Each unto the above mentioned persons & I the said Jonathan Crane the above mentioned premises with the appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said William Conroy, David Moore, Charles McMilan, Charles Skinner, Isaac Lamb, William Grant, George Stillman, John Braly, Peter Collins & George Rector, to their heirs and assigns will forever warrant and defend from all persons claiming any right to the same. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal at Parrsboro this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 1798.

Signed sealed and delivered

In presence of us

J. Noble Shannon

Jas. Ratchford

(Signed) Jonathan Crane (LS)

Fees 4/9 -

Registered on the 13 day September 1799 at the hour of 2 o'clock P.M. being executed in my presence.

(signed) Jas. Ratchford DP. Regtr.

[Type → Deed of Sale  
Property → Lot 9  
Seller/Mortgagor → Jonathan Crane  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → George and Edward Dillman  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £25+ for 250 acres  
Date → 29<sup>th</sup> May 1811

This is the first deed to involve Lot 9. Several others also involve this property.

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Deed, J. Crane to G. & E. Dillman, Recorded at 3 O'Clock PM 31<sup>st</sup> Jany 1812. Proved on the Oath L.H. Crane, Fees 4/6

Know all Men by these Presents that I Jonathan Crane of Parrsboro in Kings County in the Province of Nova Scotia, For and in Consideration of the Sum of Twenty five Pounds and Ten Shillings to me paid by their Joint Notes to be paid in four years half Granted bargained and Sold unto George Dillman and Edward Dillman two Hundred and Fifty acres of Land on the West side of the main Road Leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland in Number nine to be at equal Widths at each end and to Extend from end to end of Said Lot supposed to be about Eighty four Rods in font.

To have and to hold said Lot of Land unto the said George and Edward Dillman one half to each or each to have such Proportion of Said Lot as they may Respectively pay for when the sums Specified in said Notes and such Part of Lots as is not paid for in said time to revert to said Crane not subject to be sold or attached before the property of Said Dillmans or be sold by them until the Purchase Money and Interest is fully paid being the Land Lot where Said Dillman is now Settled and the same that said Crane Give said Dillman a Deed before to be given up A more Sufficient deed to be given when said Lands [sic]is paid for.

Witness my hand and Seal at Parrsboro this 29<sup>th</sup> of May 1811.

Signed sealed and Delivered  
In presence of

signed { Silas H. Crane  
J. Noble Sharmone

(Signed) Jonathan Crane

**[Type → Deed of Sale**  
**Property → in front of Lot 9**  
**Seller/Mortgagor → Jonathan Crane**  
**Buyer/Mortgage Provider → George Dillman**  
**Value/Mortgage Amount → £15 for 7-12 acres**  
**Date → 12<sup>th</sup> July 1813**

**According to this Deed, George Dillman/Stillman had settled on Lot Number 9.**

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Deed, Jon. Crane to Geo. Dillman, Recorded at 10 O'clock AM 12<sup>th</sup> July 1815. Proved on the Oath of J. Shannon, Fees 11/3

Know All Men by these presents that I Jonathan Crane of Horton in Kings County in the Province of Nova Scotia, For and in Consideration of the Sum of Fifteen Pounds to me in hand paid by George Dillman of Parrsboro in the County of Kings and the Province aforesaid Have Given, Granted, bargained and Sold and by these presents Do Give, grant, bargain, alien, and Sell a certain Quantity of Land lying and being in said Township of Parrsboro, it being a certain piece of Land lying in front of Lot Number Nine where said George Dillman has now settled lying between the present new Road and the Old Road containing by Estimation between Seven and twelve acres it be the same more or less. To have and to hold the above mentioned and described Lot or piece of Land unto the said George Dillman to his Heirs and assigns forever, to his and their own proper use and behoof.

And I the Said Jonathan Crane for me my Heirs and against me my Heirs to the said George Dillman the said piece or Tract of Land to the said George Dillman to his Heirs & Assigns will forever warrant and defend.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal at Parrsboro this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1813.

Signed Sealed and delivered  
In presence of

Signed { J Noble Shannon  
          { Peter McLannen

(Signed) Jonathan Crane (LS)

[Type → Deed of Sale  
Property → Lot 9  
Seller/Mortgagor → Jonathan Crane  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → Edward Stilman  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £8+ for 250 acres  
Date → 28<sup>th</sup> August 1816

Property originally purchased by George and Edward on 29 May 1811 from Jonathan Crane. Edward completed his payment for the property according this Deed. In the next deed (No 430), George relinquishes rights to his half to Edward. George is not mentioned by name, but is referred to as Edward's father.

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Deed of Sale, Jona Crane to Edwd Stilman, Recorded at 11 O'clock AM 1<sup>st</sup> April 1823. Proved on the Oath Thos Ratchford, 24<sup>th</sup> March 1825 No. 429, Fees 4/3

Know all men by these presents that I Jonathan Crane of Horton in Kings County in the province of Nova Scotia for and in Consideration of the sum of Eight pounds Seventeen shillings and six pence to me to me [duplicated in original] in hand paid by Edward Stillman of Parrsboro in Kings County do for ever relinquish and quit all the claim I have in Law or Equity unto Two Hundred & Fifty Acres of Land sold said Stillman and his Father agreeable to deed given of the same annexed dated the 29<sup>th</sup> May 1811. Said Edward Stillman having paid the said sum of Eight pounds Seventeen Shillings & Six pence being the balance of the full consideration money of said Land being land adjoining on the North on Number Eight containing Two Hundred & fifty Acres in Number Nine supposed to adjoin the Road about Eighty four Rods in front to be at equal width at each end to extend from end to end to contain said quantity having reference to the annexed Deed and the privileges [sic] & appurtances [sic] thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal at Parrsboro this 28<sup>th</sup> August 1816.

Signed Sealed and delivered  
In presence of us  
(Signd) Edward Crane  
(Signd) Thomas Ratchford

(Signd) Jonathan Crane (LS)

[Type → Deed of Sale  
Property → Lot 9  
Seller/Mortgagor → George Dilman  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → Edward Dilman  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £5 for 250 acres  
Date → 24 March 1821

Partially transcribed by Maryellen Canfora.

Property originally purchased by George and Edward on 29 May 1811 from Jonathan Crane. This is the last deed mentioning George Stillman/Dillman. It is possible that George passed away between the time he signed this Deed (March 1821) and when Edward mortgaged the property in the following deed (431) in December 1822.

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Deed of Sale, George Dillman to Edward Dillman, Recorded at 1 O'Clock PM 1<sup>st</sup> April 1823.  
Proved on the Oath Saml Clark, 24<sup>th</sup> March 1821 No. 430, Fees 5/9

This Indenture made at Parrborough this Twenty fourth day of March in year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty One, between George Dilman of the one part and Edward Dilman of Parrsborough in Kings County and province of Nova Scotia, yeoman of the other part.

Witnesseth whereas Jonathan Crane Esqr late of Horton deceased did on the Twenty ninth day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eleven by a certain instrument of wrighting [sic] purporting to be a deed of Two Hundred & Fifty acres of Land in Lot number nine on the west side of the main Road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland convey the same to me the said George Dilman and Edward Dilman one half to each or each to have said proportion of said lot as we might respectively pay for and whereas said Edward Dilman did afterwards assume and pay the whole of the consideration money mentioned in the said deed to him the said Jonathan Crane as more fully appears by a certain other deed or instrument of wrighting dated the Twenty Eight day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and Sixteen Signed by the said Jonathan Crane to him the said Edward Dilman.

Now Know all men by these presents that I George Dilman in consideration of the payment aforesaid payment being made to the Said Jonathan Crane by him the said Edward Dilman and in consideration of a further sum of Five shillings to me in hand paid by him the said Edward Dilman the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and am herewith fully satisfied and Paid do give, grant bargain sell assign release and make over to him the said Edward Dilman his Heirs and assigns forever all the right title interest property claim or demand which I have of ought to have either in law or equity in and to the premises herein before described.

In Witness whereof I the said George Dilman have hereunto set my hand and seal at Parrsborough the day and year first before within.

Signed Sealed and delivered  
In presence of  
Note the word payment underlined before signing  
Signd Thomas Ratchford  
Signd Saml Clark

his  
Signd George X Dilman (LS)  
mark

[Type → Deed of Mortgage  
Property → Lot 9  
Seller/Mortgagor → Edward Dilman  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → James Ratchford  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £60 for 250 acres  
Date → 16 December 1822

Property originally purchased by George and Edward on 29 May 1811 from Jonathan Crane. In this Deed, Edward is known as a mariner.

**FHL MFM# 0496344, Vol. 3, pages 67-68]**

Deed of Mortgage, Edward Dilman to James Ratchford, Recorded at Three O'clock PM 1<sup>st</sup> April 1823. Proved on the Oath Elisha D.W. Ratchford, 31<sup>st</sup> March 1823 No. 431, Fees 7/9.

Know all men by these presents that I Edward Dilman of Parrsborough in the county of Kings and Province of Nova Scotia, marriner [sic] for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty Pounds currency of the province aforesaid to me in hand well and truly paid before the ensealing and delivery of these presents by James Ratchford of Parrsborough in Kings County & Province aforesaid, Esquire the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and am myself therewith fully satisfied contented and Paid. Have given granted bargained sold alined enfeoffed conveyed, confirmed and by these presents do give grant bargain sell alien enfeoff, release, convey and confirm unto him the said James Ratchford his Heirs and assigns forever all that certain lot or tract of Land situate lying and being in Parrsborough in the county and Province aforesaid and on the west side of the main road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland which is known by lot Number Nine containing two hundred & fifty acres be the same more or less and is bounded on the West by the rear or base line of the lots of land on the West side of the aforesaid road on the south by the North boundary of lot number Eight and to be of equal width from the East end to the West end and to extend so far North as will make up the aforesaid quantity of Two Hundred and fifty acres. To Have and to hold the above and before described lot or tract of Land together with all and singular the Buildings improvements, profits privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining to him the said James Ratchford his Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns to his and their only proper use benefit and behoof forever. And that the said Edward Dillman for myself my heirs Executors and Administrators do covenant with him the said James Ratchford his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee of the Premises that they are free and clear of all incumbrances [sic] that I have good right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same to him the said James Ratchford to hold as aforesaid and that I will arrant and defend the same to him the said James Ratchford his heirs executors Administrators and assigns forever against the lawful claim or demand of all persons whatsoever.

Provided nevertheless and these present are upon this express conditions that if I the said Edward Dillman my heirs executors administrators do well and truly pay or cause to be paid to him the James Ratchford his Heirs Executors Administrators or assigns the full and just sum of Sixty pounds currency of the province aforesaid within the space of Two years from the date hereof together with the lawful Interest which may grow due thereon to be paid yearly and every year from the date hereof agreeable to the condition of my Bond bearing even date with these presents then their presents and every matter and thing therein contained to be and become Null and Void otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

In Witness whereof I the said Edward Dillman have hereunto set my hand and seal at Parrsborough this sixteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred and twenty-two.

Signed sealed and delivered  
In presence of  
Signd Silas H. Crane  
Signd E. D. W. Ratchford

Signd Edward Dillman (LS)



[Type → Deed of Sale  
Property → Cranberry Lake  
Seller/Mortgagor → John Stillman  
Buyer/Mortgage Provider → James Ratchford Jr. and Thomas A. S. Dewolf  
Value/Mortgage Amount → £17 for 100 acres  
Date → 28 April 1830

Interesting to note that John Stillman was expecting a grant for this property. Perhaps the grant ended up being made in the names of the purchasers as John sold his rights to them. John and Mary moved to Richmond Parish, Carleton County, New Brunswick shortly after this. Please refer to the New Brunswick Land Grants transcribed and distributed earlier.

**FHL MFM# 0496343, pages 246-247]**

Deed of Sale, John Stillman to James Ratchford Jr. and Thomas A. S. Dewolf, Recorded at 11 oClock AM Augt. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1832. Proved on Oath of William E. Crane, 12<sup>th</sup> Novr 1831 No. 691, Fees 8/

Know all Men by these presents that we John Stillman and Mary Ann Stillman his wife of Parrsborough in the County of Kings and province of Nova Scotia, for and in consideration of the sum of Seventeen pounds lawful Money of the province aforesaid to us in hand well and truly paid before the ensealing and delivery of these presents by James Ratchford Jr and Thos Andrew S. Dewolf of the town, County, and province aforesaid, the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge and ourselves therewith fully satisfied, contented and paid, Have given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed [?], conveyed and confirmed and do by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff [?], release, convey, and confirm unto them the said James Ratchford Jr and Thos Andrew S. Dewolf, their heirs and assigns, for ever. A certain Farm, piece tract or parcel of land situate near the Cranberry Lake towards Maccan [it appears that these last two words were partially scratched out] so called in Parrsboro aforesaid adjoining the road leading from Cranberry lake towards Maccan containing One hundred acres, more or less, being the same that was laid off to my by order of Survey by Gaius Lewis Esquire Deputy Surveyor and for which I expect a grant has already been made out and is now laying in the Secretary's Office. To Have and to Hold the above and before described lot or tract of land, together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, profits, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining to them, the said James Ratchford Junior and Thos A. S. Dewolf their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to their only proper use, benefit and behoof, forever; and I the said John Stillman for myself, my heirs, Executors, and Administrators do covenant with them the said James Ratchford Jr and T.A.S. Dewolf their heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee of the premises that they are free and clear from all incumbrances, that I have good right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same to them the said James Ratchford Junr and Thos A.S. Dewolf to hold as aforesaid and that I will warrant and defend the same to them the said J. Ratchford Junr and T.A.S. Dewolf their heirs Executors administrators and assigns forever, against the lawful claims or demands of all persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof the said John Stillman and Mary Ann Stillman have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals at Parrsboro aforesaid this twenty Eighth day of April One Thousand Eight Hundred and thirty.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
in presence of  
William E. Crane  
Daniel Holmes Junr

Signed, John Stilman (seal)

Received Parrboro 28<sup>th</sup> April 1830 from the within named James Ratchford Jr and Thomas Andrew S. Dewolf Seventeen pounds Currency the full consideration herein mentioned to be paid by them to me.

In presence of

Signed John Stilman

William E. Crane

Kings County SS Personally appeared before me James S. Fullerton Esqr one of His Majesty's Justices of the peace for said County Mary Ann Stillman wife of the within named John Stillman and one of the signers to the foregoing deed who being by me duly examined separate and apart from her said Husband acknowledged that she did freely and voluntarily sign seal and execute the foregoing deed for the purposes therein mentioned without fear threat or compulsion of from or by her said husband and thereby meant & intended forever to resign, relinquish and quit claim to all right of Dower or power of thirds in and to the premises.

Acknowledged before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 1830  
Signed James S. Fullerton J.P

[Type → Deed of Sale

Property → Northern half of grant (Tract B) on road to Cranberry Lake.

Seller/Mortgagor → Andrew Stilman

Buyer/Mortgage Provider → James Ratchford Jr. + others

Value/Mortgage Amount → £5 for 100 acres

Date → 12 March 1832

Transcribed by Maryellen Canfora.

Andrew's wife Charlotte has made her statement agreeing to the sale. Transaction states this land was "granted" to Andrew in 1828 by His Honour Michael Wallace.

**FHL MFM# 0496344, Vol. 3, pages 348-349]**

Deed of Sale, Andrew Stilman to James Ratchford Jr. & Others, Recorded at 2 O'Clock PM Augt. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1832. Proved on Oath of George Umphray, 3<sup>rd</sup> Augt 1832 No. 692, Fees 8/6

Know all Men by these presents that I Andrew Stilman of Parrsborough in the County of Kings and province of Nova Scotia, yeoman, for and in consideration of the sum of five pounds lawful Money of said province to me in hand well and truly paid before the ensealing and delivery of these presents by James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford and William Edward Crane of Towne, County and province aforesaid Merchants, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and am there [broken over 2 lines] with fully satisfied, contented and paid, Have given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed [?], conveyed and confirmed. And by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff[?], release, convey and confirm unto them the said James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford, and William Edward Crane their heirs and assigns, for ever. One Hundred Acres of Land situate lying and being in said township of Parrsborough, being the North half of a tract of land granted to me by His Honor Michael Wallace, President, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty-Eight and known as that tract marked B on the plan annexed to the grant of the same bounded as follows, that is to say, beginning at the North West angle of Thomas Barker's land on the East side of the road to Cranberry Lake thence running north by the side of said road Twenty Chains, thence East One hundred chains thence south Twenty chains to said Barker's Land thence west to the road aforesaid. The lot to be divided by a central line to run parallel with the said [this word is scratched out] side lines of the said tract. To Have and to Hold the above and before described lot or tract of land, together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, profits, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining to them, the said James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford and William E. Crane, their heirs, Executors, Administrators and assigns, to their only proper use, benefit and behoof, forever; and I the said Andrew Stilman for myself my heirs, Executors, and Administrators, do covenant with them the said James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford and William E. Crane their heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee of the premises that they are free and clear from all incumberances, that I have good right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same to them the said James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford & William E. Crane to hold as aforesaid, and that I will warrant and defend the same to them the said James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford and William E. Crane, their heirs Execrs administrators and assigns forever, against the lawful claims or demands of all persons whatso[e]ver. In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed and affixed my hand and seal at Parrsboro aforesaid this second day of March One thousand Eight Hundred and thirty two.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
in presence of  
James E. Chipman  
Lawrence Seadley  
George Umphray

his  
Signed, Andrew X Stilman (seal)  
mark

Received on the day of the date of the foregoing Deed from the therein named James Ratchford Junr, Charles E. Ratchford & William E. Crane the sum of Five pounds being the full consideration money mentioned to be paid by them to me.

£5.0-0  
Witness  
James E. Chipman

his  
Signed Andrew X Stilman  
mark

Kings County Ss Before me James Ratchford one of His Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for said county personally came and appeared Charlotte Stilman, Wife of the within named Andrew Stilman who being by me duly examined separate and apart from her said husband acknowledged that she freely and voluntarily and without either fear, threat, or compulsion of from or by her said husband, resign relinquish and forever quit claim to all her right and title whether of Dower or otherwise in and to the lands and premises hereby sold and conveyed.

Acknowledged before me the 12<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1832  
Jas. Ratchford J.P.

her  
Charlotte X Stilman  
mark

[Type → Deed of Sale

Property → Parrsboro Township, probably at Halfway River

Seller/Mortgagor → James N. Crane

Buyer/Mortgage Provider → Andrew Dillman

Value/Mortgage Amount → £10 for 100 acres

Date → 12<sup>th</sup> June 1833

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Deed of Sale, James N. Crane to Andrew Dillman, Recorded at 3 oClock PM 26<sup>th</sup> Augt. 1833.  
Proved on the Oath of John Fisher, 8<sup>th</sup> July 1833 No. 736, Fees 4/3

Know all Men by these presents that I James Noble Crane of Horton in Kings County and province of Nova Scotia for and in consideration of the sum of ten pounds to me in hand well and truly paid by Andrew Dillman of Parrsboro County, and province aforesaid, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and myself therewith fully satisfied and paid, have given granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do give grant, bargain and sell unto the said Andrew Dillman one tract of land being in said Township of Parrsboro on the West side of the main road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland being the same tract of land where the said Dillman improved and where Enoch Sewel improved – containing One hundred Acres more or less. Do [sic] Have and to Hold the said tract of land to the said Andrew Dillman with all the privileges and appurtenances appertaining to the same to his heirs, Executors Administrators or assigns to his and their only proper use benefit and behoof and I the said James Noble Crane for me my heirs and against me my heirs and against all other person or persons the above mentioned tract of land will for ever warrant and defend. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal at Horton the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1833.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
presence of  
John Fisher

Signed, James N. Crane (seal)

[Type → Deed of Sale [sic this is really a mortgage pursuant to the sale on the prior page No. 736]

Property → Parrsboro Township, probably at Halfway River

Seller/Mortgagor → Andrew Stillman

Buyer/Mortgage Provider → James N. Crane

Value/Mortgage Amount → £10 for 100 acres

Date → 15<sup>th</sup> June 1833

Transcribed by Maryellen Canfora. Maryellen noted that in this record, Andrew is referred to as Dillman in the body yet he signed Stilman.

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Deed of Sale, Andrew Stillman to James N. Crane, Recorded at 6 oClock PM Augt. 26<sup>th</sup> 1833. Proved on the Oath of Abraham Gesner, 8<sup>th</sup> July 1833 No. 737, Fees 4/3

Know all Men by these presents that I Andrew Dillman of Parrsboro in Kings County and province of Nova Scotia for and in consideration of the Sum of ten pounds to me in hand well and truly paid by James Noble Crane of Horton County and province aforesaid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and myself therewith fully satisfied and paid, have given granted bargained and sold. And by these presents do give grant bargain and sell unto the Said James Noble Crane to his heirs and assigns One hundred acres of land lying in Parrsboro aforesaid on the lake road so called being one half of a lot which is granted to me and is to be taken from off the south side of said lot and to measure about forty Rods on said Road. To have and to hold the abovementioned one hundred Acres of land to the said James Noble Crane to his heirs Executors and assigns and I the said Andrew Dillman for myself and against me myself and against my heirs and against all other persons the above lot of land will warrant and defend. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal at Parrsboro this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1833.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
presence of  
Abraham Gesner  
Alexander Fife

his  
Signed, Andrew X Dillman (seal)  
mark

[Type → Deed of Sale

Property → Parrsboro Township, probably at Halfway River

Seller/Mortgagor → Andrew Stillman

Buyer/Mortgage Provider → James N. Crane

Value/Mortgage Amount → £12 for 100 acres

Date → 15<sup>th</sup> June 1833

Transcribed by Maryellen Canfora.

This is the same property as involved in no. 736 and no. 737. Not sure if Andrew couldn't pay the mortgage so he sold the land to Abraham Gesner or if Abraham merely assumed the mortgage Andrew had with James Crane. However, it looks as if Andrew made £2 on the transaction.

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Deed of Sale, Andrew Stilman to Abraham Gesner, Recorded at 11 oClock AM Novr. 11<sup>th</sup> 1833. Proved on the Oath of Alexr Fife, 14<sup>th</sup> Augt 1833 No. 738, Fees 5/9

Know all Men by these presents that I Andrew Stilman of Parrsboro in the County of Kings County and province of Nova Scotia for and in consideration of the sum of Twelve pounds to me in hand well and truly paid before the ensealing and delivery of these presents by Abraham Gesner of Parrsboro County, and province aforesaid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and am therewith fully satisfied, contented and paid. HAVE given granted bargained sold aliened enfeoffed conveyed and confirmed. And by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff release convey and confirm unto him the said Abraham Gesner his heirs and assigns forever. One tract or parcel of land lying in said township of Parrsboro on the West side of the Main road leading from Partridge Island to Cumberland being the same tract of land which said Andrew Stilman has improved and which Enok Scofield improved, joining lands upon the South occupied by Henry Brown and bounded upon the east by the said Cumberland Road and upon the north by lands formerly occupied by John Farrel and being the same upon which the said Andrew Stilman now resides. containing One Hundred Acres more or less. To Have and to Hold the above and before described lot or tract of land together with all and singular the buildings improvements, profits, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining to him the Said Abraham Gesner his Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns to his only proper use benefit and behoof forever. And I the said Andrew Stilman for my heirs Executors and Administrators do covenant with him the said Abraham Gesner his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee of the premises that they are free and clear from all incumberances that I have good right and lawful Authority to sell and convey the same to him the said Abraham Gesner to hold as aforesaid and that I will warrant and defend the same to him the said Abraham Gesner, heirs, Executors Administrators and assigns forever against the lawful claims or demands of all persons whatsoever. Witness my hand and Seal at Parrsboro July the 8<sup>th</sup> 1833.

Signed Sealed and delivered  
presence of  
Alexander Fife

his  
Signed, Andrew X Stilman (seal)  
mark

**[Type → Deed of Sale**  
**Property → Lot at Halfway River**  
**Seller/Mortgagor → George F. Rector**  
**Buyer/Mortgage Provider → James Edward Stillman**  
**Value/Mortgage Amount → £23 for 100 acres.**  
**Date → 19 November 1849**

**FHL MFM# 0496345, page 521-22]**

Deed of Sale, Geo. F. Rector to Jas Edwd Stillman, Recorded at Eleven O'Clock A.M. 1<sup>st</sup> June 1852 on the oath of Geo. F. Rector as certified by Jesse Lewis J.P. No. 108. Fees 2/9.

Know all men by these presents that I George F. Rector of Parrsboro in the County of Cumberland, yeoman, do for and in consideration of the sum of twenty three pounds lawful money of Nova Scotia well and truly paid by James Edward Stillman of Parrsboro County of Cumberland aforesaid and in the province of Nova Scotia sell and convey to him the said James Edward Stilman all that certain lot or tract of land lying and being in the settlement of the Halfway River so called, and on the western side of the main road leading from Partridge Island to Cumberland bounded on the south by James Rector's land on the north by Henry Brown's land and on the west by base line of said lot containing one hundred acres less or more. To Have and To Hold the above described lot or tract of land unto him the said James Edward Stilman his heirs and assigns together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. And I the said George F. Rector do hereby covenant with him and quit all my claim right or title to the above described lot of land to the said James Edward Stillman his heirs and assigns forever.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my hand and affixed my seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of Jas KirkPatrick Cyprian Davison	his Signed, George F. X Rector mark
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County of Cumberland Ss Personally appeared before me the subscriber one of her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said county, George F. Rector, the grantor named in the foregoing deed who made oath and said that he duly executed the same for the purposes therein mentioned in the presence of James Kirkpatrick and Cyprian Davison the subscribing witnesses thereto. Sworn to, before me, at Parrsboro' this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1852.

Jesse Lewis J.P.



**[Type → Deed of Sale**  
**Property → .Lot 10**  
**Seller/Mortgagor → Andrew Stilman**  
**Buyer/Mortgage Provider → E.D.W. Ratchford**  
**Value/Mortgage Amount → £23 for 100 acres**  
**Date → 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1862**

**FHL MFM# 0496347, page 101]**

Deed, Andrew Stillman to E.D.W. Ratchford, Recorded at Eleven O'Clock A.M. 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1862 on the Oath of Thomas Hawks No. 147

Know all men by these presents that Andrew Stilman of Parrsborough in Nova Scotia, yeoman, for and in consideration of the sum of twenty three pounds lawful Money of Nova Scotia to the said Andrew Stilman in hand well and truly paid by Elisha D.W. Ratchford of Parrsborough aforesaid, Merchant, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Have granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Elisha D.W. Ratchford his heirs and assigns all that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Parrsborough aforesaid, known as part of lot number ten, as is supposed and bounded on the south by Charles Henwoods land, on the north by lands occupied by Henry Brown and his sons on the east by the Main Road and on the west by lands granted to James W. Shannon and others, being thirty three rods in width and extending back from the road aforesaid one mile and a half or upwards and containing one hundred acres more or less being the same which said Stilman obtained by deed from the late Mrs. Mary Rector, widow of George Rector Senior and her sons George, James, Thomas and Reuben and whereon he had resided for eighteen years or thereabouts, together with all the estate right title interest dower claim or demand of the said Andrew Stilman which he hath had or hereafter can or may have by any means of in or to the said described and bargained premises with the appurtenances. To Have and To Hold the before described premises with all the buildings improvements and privileges belonging to the same unto the said Elisha D. W. Ratchford his heirs and assigns for ever. And the said Andrew Stilman for himself his heirs executors and administrators doth hereby covenant to and with the said Elisha D. W. Ratchford his heirs and assigns that he is lawfully seized of the before granted and bargained premises and hath good right to bargain and sell the same in manner and form as before written and that he will warrant and forever defend the same unto the said Elisha D. W. Ratchford his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims or demands of all persons whomsoever.

In Witness whereof the said Andrew Stilman hath hereunto set his hand and seal this twenty second day of May in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty two.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
in presence of  
the words "of the one part" and "next and"  
being first obliterated having been first  
read over and explained in presence of  
A.V. Bradley  
Thomas Hawks  
John William McMinagal

his  
Andrew X Stilman (seal)  
mark