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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1894.

Town Clerk and Supervisor of Schools :

E. P. DYER.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor :

H. A. HURD, N. H. VINING, J. B. ATWOOD.

Treasurer :

L. C. DILLINGHAM.

Board of Education :

E. P. DYER, FRED LUCAS, J. S. BOSTON, A. L. VINING

R. W. HARDING.

Town Agent :

J. F. HILTON.

Auditor :

S. H. GOODIWN.

Collector and Constable :

A. S. VARNEY.

Constable :

H. E. CYPHERS.

Town Farm Agent :

H. E. PHILBRICK.

Board of Health :

N. B. TURNER, S. B. PRESCOTT, N. H. VINING.

Truant Officer :

E. P. DYER :

Special Committee to Build Lothrop Bridge :

LEWIS FISH, J. B. DOW, H. L. SEEKINS.

Surveyors of Wood and Bark :

DANIEL HANSON, F. E. BRIDGHAM, W. H. MOORE.

Fence Viewers :

H. A. HURD, N. H. VINING, J. B. ATWOOD.

Surveyors of Lumber :

DANIEL HANSON, C. B. SOUTHARD, LEVI JOHNSON, G. A.

MERRILL.

Sextons :

J. S. MARTIN, A. S. GIVEN, A. C. HOLWAY, S. L. MAYO,

H. D. RAYMOND, J. F. BOYNTON, CHAS. MASON,

W. H. BRALEY.

Pound-keeper :

L. C. DILLINGHAM.

Scaler of Weights and Measurers ;

N. H. VINING.

Librarian :

H. A. HURD.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The selectmen of St. Albans herewith submit their annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the Town of St. Albans, for the year ending Feb. 20, 1894, together with the reports of the treasurer, board of education, and of the other departments.

VALUATION.

Real estate,	\$287,560 00
Personal tax.	91,377 00
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Total valuation.	\$378,937 00
Polls taxed, 300. Rate, \$2.50.	
Rate of taxation, one per cent.	

APPROPRIATIONS.

Schools,	\$1,190 00
Free high school,	150 00
Text books.	100 00
Repair of school buildings.	100 00
Town poor,	600 00
Town charge bills,	600 00
Roads and bridges,	200 00
Memorial Day.	20 00
Graveyards,	25 00
State tax,	1,069 51
County tax.	368 61
Added,	118 25
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Total appropriations,	\$4,539 37

The above was committed to A. S. Varney for collection.

WARRANT.

TO A. S. VARNEY, CONSTABLE OF ST. ALBANS, IN THE COUNTY OF
SOMERSET. GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of St. Albans, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble in the Town House, in said town, on Monday, the eleventh day of March, A. D., 1895, at nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

- ART. 1—To choose a moderator.
- ART. 2—To choose a town clerk and all other necessary town officers.
- ART. 3—To see how much money the town will raise for the support of schools.
- ART. 4—To see how much money the town will raise for Free High schools.
- ART. 5—To see how much money the town will raise for the repair of school buildings.
- ART. 6—To see how much money the town will raise to purchase text books for scholars.
- ART. 7—To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the poor.
- ART. 8—To see how much money the town will raise to pay town charge bills.
- ART. 9—To see how much money the town will raise to repair bridges.
- ART. 10—To see if the town will vote to return to the cash system of highways.
- ART. 11—To see how much money the town will raise to repair the highways in summer.
- ART. 12—To see how much money the town will raise to break down the snow.
- ART. 13—To see how much money the town will raise to build board and wire fences along the roads.
- ART. 14—To see how much highway money the town will raise to repair the highways in summer and direct the expenditure of the same.
- ART. 15—To see how much highway money the town will raise to break down the snow and direct the expenditure of the same.
- ART. 16—To see how much money the town will raise to operate the road machine.
- ART. 17—To see how much money the town will raise for Memorial Day.
- ART. 18—To see if the town will give the George Goodwin Post, the Ladies' Relief Corps, and the St. Albans Band the use of the town house for their meetings.
- ART. 19—To see if the town will vote to re-open the road south from the village and extending past Joseph Jordan's and Walter Hilton's, to the Webb Ridge road, so called, where discontinued by vote of the town.
- ART. 20—To see how much money the town will raise to pay on outstanding debts.

The selectmen will be in session at the Town House at eight (8) o'clock in the forenoon on the day of the said meeting.

Given under our hands on the second day of March, A. D., 1895.

H. A. HURD,) Selectmen
N. H. VINING,) of
J. B. ATWOOD,) St. Albans.

ROAD SURVEYORS.

District.

- No. 1, R. W. Webb,
3, A. D. Baird,
5, W. O. Hilton,
7, J. B. Dow,
9, J. A. Wilber,
11, H. D. Braley,
13, John Cool,
15, A. C. Holway,
17, A. B. Tyler,
19, Hiram Raymond,
21, T. S. Smith,
23, C. A. Page,
25, George Goodale,
27, S. S. Gordon,
29, S. F. Lyford,
31, Hosea Snell,
33, J. S. Boston,
35, A. A. Stevens,
37, C. P. Coolidge,
39, E. G. Crocker,

District.

- No. 2, Sumner Withee,
4, James Martin,
6, Hiram Martin,
8, Fred Finson,
10, W. J. Tracy,
12, J. B. Atwood,
14, H. W. Brackett,
16, John S. Parker,
18, C. H. Ross,
20, S. H. Bragg,
22, J. C. Moore,
24, C. G. Moore,
26, D. H. Grant,
28, E. L. Libby,
30, A. R. Leavitt,
32, L. D. Davis,
34, Simon Wheeler,
36, B. G. Fairbrother,
38, Charles Moore,
40, Nathan Richards.

EXPENDITURES.

TOWN CHARGES.

Town Order No.	CR.	
4,	Paid town farm agent 1893,	\$ 55 00
8,	for text books,	12 95
12,	for town reports,	27 50
15,	to Geo. Morrill,	3 00
16,	for school maps,	9 00
17,	for Memorial Day,	20 00
20,	for repairs on road machine,	8 75
40,	for town farm agent 1894,	33 00
49,	for town books, highway and coll.	5 45
50,	collector for 1893,	100 00
51,	for school books,	106 21
54,	for land for graveyard, Crocker,	20 00
68,	for superphosphate,	23 30
71,	J. F. Hilton, services 1893,	51 75
72,	for preparing town house for election day,	2 50
84,	for school catalogues,	17 89
94,	for watering tank,	3 00
106,	to J. B. Dow, services as constable,	7 06
107,	for school books,	21 11
44,	to town farm agent, 1894,	40 00
114,	to services of moderator,	3 00
118,	for repairs on hearse,	1 25
117,	for returning births and deaths,	7 25
120,	care of burial lot of E. K. Hall,	7 50
121,	to town farm agent, 1894,	30 53
123,	for services of constable, 1893-94	4 47
124,	to coll. for 1891,	15 00
127,	for returning births and deaths,	1 50
130,	to N. H. Vining on tax of 1892,	7 75
133,	care of burial lot of E. K. Hall 1894,	1 00
134,	plank for town house, check book and oil,	1 35
139,	services of treas., L. O. Dillingham,	25 00
140,	E. P. Dyer, services as town clerk,	12 45
141,	E. P. Dyer, supervisor and school agent,	125 00
142,	N. H. Vining, services as selectman,	45 00
143,	J. B. Atwood, services as selectman,	
144,	H. A. Hurd, services as selectman and expenses,	85 00
145,	S. H. Goodwin, auditor,	3 00
	Total,	\$673 07

DR.

To amount raised by town,	600 00
for Memorial Day,	20 00
for graveyards,	25 00
for school books,	100 00

TOWN POOR.

Town Order No.	CR.	
4,	Paid town farm supplies 1893,	\$20 81
10,	support of M. McLure,	36 50
11,	support of E. Packard, 1893,	10 00
14,	Fred Brown,	15 00
19,	support of M. McLure,	35 74
27,	burial expenses, J. Reynolds,	30 00
43,	supplies for town farm, 1893,	14 05
45,	support of M. McLure,	32 88
46,	support of E. D. Grover	25 00
53,	expenses Mrs. Dow Evans,	14 20
75,	pauper supplies J. C. Mower and P. York,	6 40
76,	pauper supplies, Princess York,	4 50
77,	care of James White,	20 00
79,	expenses of E. D. Mower,	25 00
80,	expenses of M. McLure,	34 17
93,	care of James White,	8 30
108,	casket for James White,	18 00
109,	medical attendance Mr. and Mrs. Mason,	25 00
110,	pauper supplies James White, Job Reynolds and Princess York,	50 46
114,	fuel, James White,	3 75
116,	pauper expenses J. White and J. Reynolds,	8 90
117,	medical attendance on paupers,	20 50
118,	burial expenses J. White,	5 00
119,	supplies, Henry Mason,	3 56
125,	rent on Frank White's place,	25 00
126,	burial expenses of J. White,	3 00
129,	supplies, Henry Mason,	2 83
134,	wood, James White, H. A. Hurd,	5 50
	Total,	\$504 03
	DR.	
	To amount appropriated by town,	600 00

HIGHWAY.

Town Order No.	CR.	
73,	Paid bridge near grist mill,	\$ 287 68
74,	bridge across Goodwin brook,	4 20
105,	abutments to Lothrop bridge,	300 00
132,	“ “ “	125 00
112,	iron bridge,	377 80
116,	freight on plank for bridge,	75
115,	labor on highway, 1893, L. C. Dillingham,	6 05
128,	“ “ D. H. Grant,	3 42
18,	“ “ A. K. Leavitt,	28 22
134,	plank, etc., for highway, H. A. Hurd,	10 73
137,	Lewis Fish road commissioner and bridge committee,	24 00
135,	for lumber for bridge, S. H. Goodwin,	1 21
138,	bridge committee, H. L. Seekins,	3 75
111,	treasurer on highway bills, 1893,	538 83

ITEMIZED HIGHWAY BILLS.

F. B. Foss,	\$ 5 50	Frank Palmer,	3 35
J. S. Boston,	90	S. F. Lyford,	4 0
A. W. Crocker,	4 90	Junius Avery,	3 75
Eben Nutter,	4 66	M. Brown,	5 25
J. F. Hilton,	7 08	J. Sturtevant,	37
W. H. Moore,	2 06	A. Baird,	1 30
Stephen Lucas,	4 25	Z. J. Emery,	5 62
John Bowman,	50	Charles Moore,	50
S. H. Bragg,	7 34	John McKenney,	1 41
Daniel Foss,	6 07	J. S. Martin,	42 92
Lincoln Merrick,	4 05	O. Blaisdell,	3 87
N. M. Field,	4 15	Clarence Stevens,	2 65
John Parker,	1 72	John Lowell,	9 52
Jeddie Parkman,	1 00	Charles Moore,	1 83
S. F. Lyford,	17 93	Elden Wing,	1 03
A. D. Avery,	1 25	L. Leathers,	1 35
John S. Parker,	2 62	G. N. Wilber,	3 03
H. O. Blaisdell,	2 09	W. Leadbetter,	25
H. B. Fisher,	70	G. N. Wilber,	1 43
S. Brown,	62	Geo. Finson,	3 75
G. W. McKenney,	94	A. J. Parker,	4 65
H. E. Philbrick,	27 61	H. Q. Worthen,	5 60
C. M. Stevens,	6 42	G. O. Turner,	9 44
Chas. Russell,	5 30	U. S. Parker,	5 31
Samuel Parker,	7 56	H. O. Blaisdell,	10 50
U. S. Parker,	6 72	Andrew McPhetas,	62
R. McKenney,	62	M. Brown,	1 68
D. W. Wheeler,	6 18	Thomas Hartwell,	1 95
S. F. Lyford,	3 20	A. F. Denning,	1 86
G. C. Weymouth,	3 16	John H. Libby,	5 15
Fred Richards,	2 00	T. C. Smith,	3 63
Hiram Weymouth,	3 56	J. F. Boynton,	9 75
Joseph Winslow,	1 35	J. L. Nichols,	90
Samuel Kneeland,	1 43	J. S. Boston,	6 02
A. J. Parker,	57	John Robinson,	1 79
J. S. Martin,	3 67	E. I. Tracey,	3 32
H. L. Cole,	5 44	J. A. Wilber,	2 92
H. Q. Worthen,	3 00	S. Johnson,	1 00
V. H. Bragg,	2 00	W. W. Nutter,	2 97
James Fairbrother,	88	A. A. Bragg,	13 80
Hiram Hawes,	4 25	E. E. Johnson,	1 48
C. H. Ross,	1 22	W. B. Gould,	3 80
Riley Noble,	2 37	M. G. Henderson,	4 34
J. C. Mower,	2 25	Jonas Jewett,	1 75
A. D. Holmes,	9 08	Samuel Kneeland,	1 75
A. D. Holmes,	1 85	John McKenney,	3 43
W. W. Nutter,	1 62	Charles Moore,	2 50
T. S. Smith,	14 93	Martin Palmer,	2 62
A. S. Bradford,	4 80	S. S. Seekins,	7 67
Wm. P. Winslow,	4 25	S. S. Seekins,	3 45
Charles Ellis,	3 09	S. S. Seekins,	3 67
L. W. Smith,	63	E. G. Crocker,	13 55
J. L. Palmer,	21 37	C. F. Mason,	13 43
M. Parkman,	3 65	J. Avery,	27 25
		D. B. Clark,	2 00

HIGHWAY.

	DR.	
To amount raised by town,		\$200 00
cash hired by treasurer,		\$950 00

HIGHWAY MONEY.

To amount raised by town,		\$1500 00
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This amount was apportioned to the various highway surveyors and has been expended in labor, materials, and cash under their direction. The balance for breaking down the snow in the roads is a proper charge against the highway money for 1895, by vote of the town March 12, 1894.

SCHOOLS.

Town order No.		
1,	Paid for fuel and repairs, I. O. Bragg,	\$ 19 13
2,	fuel, Joseph Welch,	26 40
3,	teaching school, Bertie Wilkins,	99 00
5,	High school, E. P. Dyer,	156 80
6,	teaching school, Eva Fairbrother,	72 00
9,	repairs, E. P. Dyer,	10 00
13,	"	6 00
21,	fuel, Henry Moore,	1 50
22,	repairs, E. P. Dyer,	19 00
23,	carrying scholars, J. A. Gibbs,	20 00
24,	teaching school, F. Trafton,	48 00
25,	" R. W. Harding,	52 00
26,	" Ada Southard,	40 00
28,	" Florence Kincaid,	44 00
29,	" I. O. Bragg,	48 15
30,	" Mamie Ross,	44 00
31,	" Vertine Ellis,	44 00
32,	carrying scholars, J. L. Nichols,	13 33
33,	teaching school, Lottie Bradford,	40 00
34,	" Florence Wilkins,	48 00
35,	" Lona Parkman,	40 00
36,	" Bertie Wilkins,	40 00
37,	fuel, C. Southard,	1 00
38,	" Willis Carson,	9 26
39,	teaching school, Alma Cooley,	40 00
41,	carrying scholars, O. A. Parkman,	24 00
42,	fuel, F. M. Wilkins,	6 00
52,	" Norris Trafton,	5 50
55,	carrying scholars, J. Gibbs,	20 00
56,	teaching school, Fronie Trafton,	48 00
58,	" Bertha Dillingham,	40 00
58,	" Florence Kincaid,	48 00
59,	" Ada Southard,	40 00
60,	" R. W. Harding,	52 00
61,	" Florence Wilkins,	48 00
62,	" Bertie Wilkins,	40 00
63,	" Vertine Ellis,	40 00
Total,		\$1,893 07

Amount brought forward,		\$1393 07
64,	Paid for carrying scholars, J. L. Nichols,	13 88
65,	teaching school, Lona Parkman,	40 00
66,	" Mamie Ross,	48 00
67,	" Alma Cooley,	40 00
70,	fuel, Ernest Hopkins,	18 00
69,	repairs, F. A. Butler,	6 50
72,	" J. W. Patten,	4 13
78,	boughing schoolhouse, J. P. Parker,	3 00
81,	teaching school, Florence Kincaid,	48 00
82,	" R. W. Harding,	54 00
83,	carrying scholars, John McKenney,	16 00
85,	" A. Hilton,	25 00
86,	building fires, Florence Kincaid,	2 00
87,	repairs and fires, Jesse Bragg,	7 15
88,	building fires, David Seekins,	2 00
89,	teaching High school, E. P. Dyer,	150 00
90,	teaching school, M. E. Libbey,	42 00
91,	" Ada Southard,	42 00
92,	carrying scholars, O. A. Parkman,	24 00
95,	teaching school, Fronie Trafton,	48 00
96,	" Bertie Wilkins,	44 00
97,	" Florence Wilkins,	50 00
98,	" Lona Parkman,	42 00
99,	" Mamie Ross,	48 00
100,	" Alma Cooley,	42 00
101,	carrying scholars, Fred Brown,	25 00
102,	" J. L. Nichols,	13 34
103,	fuel, H. Whittier,	1 00
104,	teaching school, Vertine Ellis,	42 00
110,	repairs, S. B. Prescott,	10 98
113,	tuition, town of Hartland,	36 72
116,	shingles, J. S. Martin,	5 00
122,	fuel, C. P. Coolidge,	6 00
131,	repairs, S. B. Ramsdell,	14 68
136,	repairs and fuel, Wilson Bigelow,	4 00
7,	wood, J. L. Nichols,	6 30
Total,		\$2377 75

DR.

To balance 1893,	\$ 341 93
raised for schools,	1190 00
raised for High school,	150 00
due from State for High school,	150 00
due from State school fund and mill tax,	860 70
interest on town school fund,	61 40
raised for repairs,	100 00
Total,	\$2854 03

TREASURER'S REPORT.

L. C. DILLINGHAM, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF ST. ALBANS, 1894.

DR.

To amount due from W. P. Winslow, on tax of 1891, . . .	\$ 30 68
“ “ N. H. Vining, on tax of 1892, . . .	237 85
“ “ A. S. Varney, on tax of 1893, . . .	1,605 23
“ “ non-resident tax from 1884 to 1891, . . .	199 80
“ received on E. K. Hall note, . . .	106 63
“ of commitment for 1894, . . .	4,539 37
“ hired to build bridge at Lothrop's, . . .	950 00
“ received from State on school fund and mill tax, . . .	898 06
“ received from Town farm for cheese, . . .	48 30
“ “ E. P. Dyer for dog tax of 1894, . . .	21 00
“ “ State for bounty paid on bears, . . .	15 00
“ “ “ Free High school, . . .	150 00
“ “ railroad and telegraph tax, . . .	76
“ “ State for pension paid J. B. Badger, . . .	24 00
“ “ S. B. Ramsdell for interest on Moore place, . . .	13 50
Total,	\$8,840 18

CR.

By orders paid,	\$3,918 80
State tax of 1893, paid,	1,176 15
amount due from A. S. Varney on tax of 1893, . . .	379 32
“ “ A. S. Varney on tax of 1894, . . .	2,479 68
“ “ N. H. Vining on tax of 1892, . . .	147 25
“ “ W. P. Winslow on tax of 1891, . . .	6 11
“ of abatements of 1891, . . .	24 57
“ due on non-resident tax from 1884 to 1891, . . .	199 80
“ paid to N. H. Vining to balance treasur- er's book of 1893, . . .	17 19
“ paid J. B. Badger's State pension, . . .	48 00
“ paid A. A. Stevens, bounty on bears, . . .	10 00
“ paid to balance county tax of 1893, . . .	129 85
“ paid State for dog tax of 1894, . . .	21 00
“ of non-resident tax returned for 1892, . . .	23 45
“ of cash in treasury, March 1st, 1895, . . .	258 89
Total,	\$8,840 18

L. C. DILLINGHAM, Treasurer.

ASSETS.

Due on tax, 1891,	\$ 6 11
“ 1892,	147 25
“ 1893,	379 32
“ 1894,	2479 88
Due on non-resident taxes,	199 80
school fund and mill tax, 1894,	860 70
from State on account of Melissa Foss, 1894,	112 11
from State Free High school, 1894,	150 00
rent on town house,	10 00
for stove pipe,	2 50
from A. W. Peakes,	26 31
from town of Levant,	19 63
from Palmyra,	45 07
Cash in treasury,	258 89
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1894.	
Amount of orders issued,	\$5,576 99
paid by treasurer,	3,918 80
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Total,	\$1,658 19

LIABILITIES.

To State tax, 1894,	\$1069 51
To county tax, 1894,	366 61
Due schools,	436 23
Outstanding orders,	2804 00
School fund orders,	1190 00
Treasury notes,	950 00
Trust fund of E. K. Hall,	100 00
Probable abatements,	400 00
Town bills not rendered,	329 52
Contingent liabilities,	329 55
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	\$7975 42

OUTSTANDING ORDERS.

1892	
No. 199, D. D. Stewart,	\$179 00
333, “	69
1893	
No. 70, Frank Foss,	100 00
72, John Nye,	60 00
73, Frank Foss,	30 00
83, Frank Hanson,	110 00
98, J. D. Ames,	21 00
109, Jesse Ray,	15 75
116, Mamie Ross,	28 00
142, Nathan Richards,	22 96
145, J. R. Nye,	39 65
257, E. P. Dyer,	89 75
259, Lewis Fish,	12 79
260, “	55 75
261, “	10 08
263, Frank Foss,	175 00
266, H. A. Hurd,	90 00
272, C. S. Cristie,	90 00
288, Treas. of Corinna,	15 38
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Total,	\$1145 81

TOWN FARM.

DR.

Table supplies, etc.,	\$73 08
Clothing,	40 86
Clothing and medicines, Mrs. Foss,	8 11
Feed,	59 73
Farming tools and repairs,	33 04
Superphosphate and grass seed,	49 99
Furniture, dishes, etc.,	48 90
Incidental expenses,	6 17
Medicine,	3 65

Total, \$317 36

CR.

By potatoes, 1893,	\$ 5 24
hay and potatoes,	3 50
beans, 1894,	38 22
beans, 1893,	14 15
wool, 1893,	30 01
stock sold,	211 19
cheese,	82 30
butter,	125 09
eggs,	5 47
wool,	20 16
potatoes,	4 20
board of Mrs. Foss,	104 00
due for clothing, etc., Mrs. Foss,	8 11
labor,	39 35

Labor, \$651 09

1894.

Town farm,	\$2,000 00
Stock,	648 00
Hay and produce,	263 14
Provisions,	55 07
Furniture,	167 90
Farming machinery and tools,	211 52

Total, \$3,345 63

1895.

Town farm,	\$2,000 00
Stock,	518 00
Hay and produce,	187 25
Provisions,	62 20
Furniture,	180 00
Farming machinery and tools,	200 00

Total, \$3,147 54

PROPERTY OF TOWN.

Town farm and stock,	\$3147 50
Samuel Moore place, (rec'd \$25)	225 00
Atkins Ellis place, Wellington,	100 00
James White place,	300 00
Total,	<u>\$3772 50</u>

TOWN FARM AGENT.

DR.

To balance,	\$334 28
town orders, on salary,	103 53
cash paid for labor,	39 25
cash paid on old accounts, etc.,	3 85
cash received of Hopkins,	8 50
town orders for superphosphate,	23 30
cash received for old stvoe,	5 00
Total,	<u>\$517 71</u>

CR.

By salary,	\$300 00
By cash paid to treasurer,	48 00
" on old accounts,	16 05
" for making cheese and hauling milk,	24 68
" for canning corn,	2 00
" for making cider,	52
" for paper,	1 00
" for labor,	41 25
" butchering,	2 65
Total,	<u>\$436 15</u>

SCHOOL REPORT.

CITIZENS OF ST. ALBANS:

I have the honor to submit herewith my second annual report, the same being for the year ending Feb. 20, 1895.

TEACHERS:

It is with pleasure I announce to the citizens that the past year has been one of prosperity in our schools. The teachers have been faithful and conscientious in the discharge of their duties and deserve all the praise that can be bestowed upon them. And ought we not to be proud when we think that all of the teachers who have been employed in the schools during the year have been our own town's girls with not a single exception? And everything being equal, is it not better to hire teachers from our own town than to go out and hire those who, perhaps, have no interest outside of the compensation? To be sure a Normal training is good, and a Normal course is advisable for those who possess the qualifications of a teacher, but unless they do they might just as well study for some other occupation. Shall we exclude those who have the qualifications and the education as well, but have never had the advantage of such a course? I answer most emphatically, no. Some of the best teachers and educators of today never hardly saw the inside of a Normal school. Training is good, but in selecting teachers other things must be considered. It would be requiring too much perhaps to expect equal success in every instance, yet in no case has there been a failure. General harmony and good will have prevailed throughout all the schools. The attendance has been very good, and the general interest and advancement very marked. Much of this is due to the parents as well as the teachers, and I feel to thank them for the kindly interest they have shown and the support they have given to the schools. Rome was not built in a day, neither can perfection in our schools be reached at a single bound. Educators are constantly agitating this question, and seeking new ideas and new methods whereby our schools may reach a true standard of proficiency.

EXPENDITURES, ETC.,

As this has been the first year of the town system there will doubtless be a desire to know how the expenditures compare with previous years.

The following comparison will show the expenditures and the number of weeks per district for 1893 and 1894.

Amount expended for schools in 1893, \$2562.14.

Average number of weeks per district, 20 4-15.

Amount expended for schools in 1894, \$2,236.00.

Average number of weeks per district, 24.

The above comparison shows a saving of \$326.14 in expense, and that each district has received nearly four weeks' extra schooling. Schools in Dist's No. 4, 10, 13 and 17 have been postponed as it was thought that there were too few scholars for the profitable maintenance of schools in these districts, and a provision was made for the conveyance of the scholars to other districts. Although there are many who claim that the town system of schools is deficient and the old system is better, yet I think that even they will admit that the past compares favorably with preceding years in every way. While no doubt they have been sincere in their belief, yet I think that they will be among the first to welcome the change as soon as they see it is for the best.

TEXT BOOKS.

In my report last year, I believe I stated the condition of the books in this town as near as I could judge at that time, but I found them even worse than I anticipated. The committee decided that the best way to straighten them out was to collect them together and have them sorted. This was done and over one half of the books were found to be unfit for use or even repairs. On this account over three-fourths of the money appropriated for books had to be expended before the schools could commence, and since that time of course there has been occasional need of other books. In most towns the books are called together once in two or three years and inspected. In this way books that have become loose in the binding or otherwise injured can be bound or repaired before they are too far gone. As such a custom has never been observed in this town, it will be readily seen how the expense has been augmented. If a practice like this could be established in this town it would save lots of extra expense. Such things make extra cost which could be avoided by a little exertion on the part of the officials in charge of these affairs. It was decided that courses of study were desirable in the schools. Acting upon this decision I have prepared grades and established them in the schools with marked success. They stimulate and encourage and have an important part to play in our schools; and I trust that my successor may see it in this light, otherwise this labor has been useless. This has been simply the beginning year, as it were, a bud for future blossoming. The grades are before you upon which criticisms and suggestions are invited for the good of the schools.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Again the High school has been under the instruction of our supervisor. I have tried hard to interest and benefit the scholars, and I feel as though my labors had not been in vain. Further than this, I will say nothing, but will leave it to the citizens who are able to see and judge for themselves.

The High school plays an important part in the education of our scholars and it should receive the strong support of every citizen. The attendance has been steadily on the increase, and I hope the town will spare no pains to make it a profitable and successful school regardless of prejudice and personal feeling.

CONCLUSION.

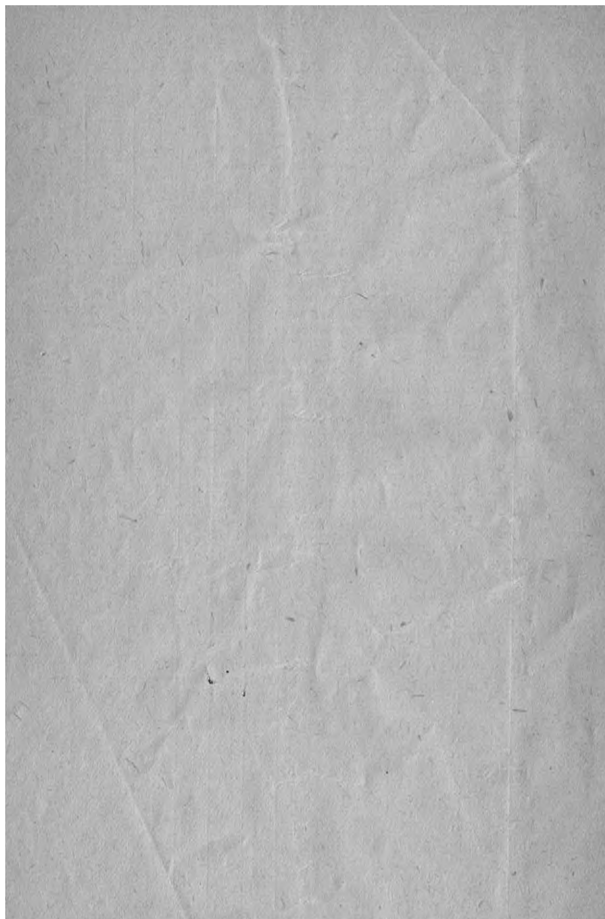
In conclusion I commend the schools to the wise, generous and active regard of the citizens. In them are germs of all progress in education and civilization. By means of the common school we shall curtail or prevent crime, and do a great deal toward the advancement of morality and good society. There is, it seems to me, a ceaseless demand for the exercise of vigilance and enthusiasm in keeping our schools up to the true standard of proficiency and to the true measure of their duties and opportunities. I hope that vigilance may never slumber, that enthusiasm never abate.

E. P. DYER, Supervisor.

St. Albans, Me., Feb. 20, '95.

STATISTICS FROM TEACHERS' REGISTERS.

No. of District.	Name of Teacher.		Number scholars registered.	Average number.	Length of school in weeks.	Wages of teacher per week excluding board.	Price of board per week.	No. of schools taught before.
1	Alma E. Cooley,	Summer	13	11	8	\$3 75	\$1 25	2
	"	Fall	14	12	8	3 75	1 25	3
	"	Winter	16	14	8	3 75	1 25	4
2	Lettie E. Bradford,	Summer	17	13	8	5 00		2
	Bertha L. Dillingham,	Fall	16	13	8	3 75	1 25	2
	Mabel E. Libby,	Winter	21	15	8	3 50	1 50	0
3	Vertine E. Ellis,	Summer	6	5	8	3 75	1 75	7
	"	Fall	6	5	8	3 75	1 25	8
	"	Winter	7	6	8	3 60	1 40	9
4	Transported to Districts Nos. 11 and 14. Price per week for transportation, \$2.50.							
5	Bertie Wilkins,	Summer	11	10	8	5 00		5
	"	Fall	10	9	8	5 00		6
	"	Winter	12	9	8	3 75	1 50	7
6	Irving O. Bragg,	Summer	16	14	8	4 75	1 25	1
	Rosa W. Harding,	Fall	17	14	8	5 00	1 50	20
	Florence Kincaid,	Winter	15	13	8	4 50	1 50	8
7	Ada E. Southard,	Summer	11	11	8	4 00	1 00	1
	"	Fall	10	9	8	4 00	1 00	2
	"	Winter	12	11	8	4 00	1 00	3
8	Union with Hartland. Amt. paid to Hartland, \$36.75.							
9	Lona Parkman,	Summer	15	14	8	4 00	1 00	3
	"	Fall	14	13	8	3 75	1 25	4
	"	Winter	12	10	8	3 75	1 25	5
10	Conveyed to District No. 1. Amount paid for year, \$16.							
11	Rosa W. Harding,	Sum. Gran.	21	16	8	5 00	1 50	19
	Fronia Trafton,	Sum. Prim.	25	24	8	4 00	2 00	6
	"	Fall Prim.	27	25	8	4 00	2 00	7
	"	Win. Prim.	25	24	8	4 00	2 00	8
12	Flossie Wilkins,	Summer	22	19	8	4 50	1 50	3
	"	Fall	17	16	8	4 75	1 25	4
	"	Winter	25	23	8	4 75	1 25	5
13	Conveyed to District No. 15. Amt. paid for conveyance, \$40							
14	Mamie A. Ross,	Summer	25	21	8	4 00	1 50	8
	"	Fall	26	21	8	4 50	1 50	9
	"	Winter	17	14	8	4 50	1 50	10
15	Florence Kincaid,	Summer	25	22	8	4 00	1 50	6
	"	Fall	22	18	8	4 00	1 50	7
	Rosa W. Harding,	Winter	25	22	8	5 00	1 50	21
17	Conveyed to District No. 9. Price paid per week, \$3.							



BIRTHS.

- To Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Nutter, a daughter.
" Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chase, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hanson, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. Julian Nichols, a daughter,
" Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. Weymouth, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hartwell, a son,
" Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Brown, two daughters.
" Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Campbell, a daughter.
" Mr. and Mrs. Walter I. Cole, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thompson, a daughter.
" Mr. and Mrs. Perley Waldron, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stevens, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Dyer, a daughter.
" Mr. and Mrs. Willis Carson, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Raymond, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Braley, a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. Allen Martin (Crooker), a son.
" Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Goodwin, a son and daughter.

MARRIAGES.

- Willie Bowman to Annie B. Folsom.
Wilfred Gilman to Thursa G. Goodale.
Park L. Turner to Mildred Bigelow.
Joel O. Withington to Ada E. Stafford.
J. B. Atwood to Mrs. H. A. Weeks.
Wm. A. Woodcock to Lulu M. Avery.
Elbridge Pratt to Mabel Frost.
John A. Decker to Minnie M. Raymond.
Geo. W. Goodale to Blanche M. Cookson.
Corridon Page to Iva Hatch.
Geo. G. Brown to Etta S. Folsom.

DEATHS.

- Rebecca Cooley, J. W. Dillingham, Samuel Grant, Ellen McKenney, Frank Martin, Harriet Dillingham, Guy M. Dorr, J. C. Reynolds, Elsie M. Grant, Effie Brown, Ethel Brown, A. L. Emerson, Ruel Farnham, Dennis Devereaux, R. E. Buker, H. R. Merrick, Aaron Randall, Sarah Merrill, Julia A. Southard, James White, L. A. Mathews, Sadie Martin (Crocker), Joseph Merrill, aged 94.

