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OF THE

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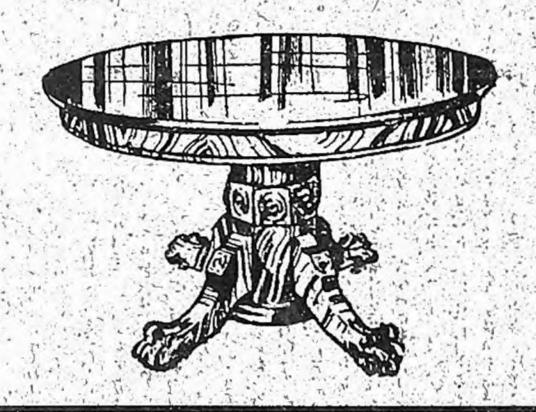
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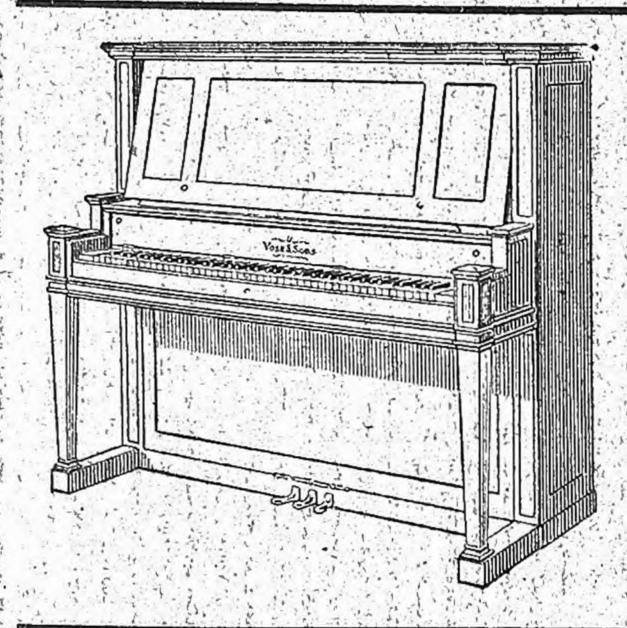
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STATE OF MAINE.

To A. A. Eldridge, Constable of the Town of Howland, in the County of Penobscot,

Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Howland, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Forester's Hall, in said town, on Monday, the eighth day of March, A. D. 1909, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To elect a tax collector and fix his commission, and to specify the amount on which the commission is to be paid.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, the poor, and repairs of roads and bridges, and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for the highways for the year 1909.
- Art. 6. To see if the town will raise, appropriate and set apart for the permanent improvement of the main highways within the town such sum of money as is contemplated and directed by Section 5 of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907 being the sum of \$49.00
- Art. 7. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of \$100.00 to be used on winter roads.

- Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount of five per cent. on all taxes assessed for the year 1909.
- Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of Twelve Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$1270) to pay the second note on school building and interest on same to Dec. 8, 1909.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will raise the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) for the care of the cemetery.
- Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-four Dollars (\$2354) to pay the first bridge pier note and interest.
- Art. 12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at Forester's Hall, on Monday, the eighth day of March, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of correcting the voting list.

Given under our hands at Howland, this fourth day of February, A. D. 1909.

H. C. SCOTT, Selectmen of A. A. ELDRIDGE, Howland, Me.

A true copy. Attest:

A. A. ELDRIDGE, Constable of Howland.

Howland, Me., Feb. 10, 1909.

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to assemble at said time and place, and for the purpose therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at the Post Office in said town, being a public and conspicuous place in said town, on the tenth day of February, being seven days before the meeting.

A. A. ELDRIDGE, Constable of Howland.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE TOWN OF HOWLAND FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1909-10

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Howland:

In compliance with the Laws of Maine we herewith submit our report as Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the municipal year 1909-10.

The appropriations made at the last annual meeting amounted to \$7,148.00, to which the State and County tax should be added, State tax, \$890.07, County tax, \$319.83, making a total assessment of \$8,357.90. The amount raised was \$8,490.42, which gives an overlay of \$132.52.

By consulting the several accounts you will ascertain the amount expended in each department, also that there has been a gain on the year's business of \$811.33, as the Summary of Accounts will show.

In accordance with vote and appropriation made at the annual town meeting, one note each on school house and bridge piers has been paid during the year, and the town's indebtedness has been reduced thereby \$3,000, leaving at the close of the fiscal year as total liabilities over assets, \$7,705.16.

As all well know, during the summer the town was visited with disastrous forest fires, which cost us \$1,014.25, and a little later high water caused bad washouts, so there was an additional expense on highways of \$396.97.

However, taking all things into consideration, we feel that the showing for the year has been very good.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. SMART,
J. W. DAVIS,
A. A. ELDRIDGE,

Selectmen
of
Howland.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, 1909

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, W. H. Smart, J. W. Davis, A. A. Eldridge.

Clerk, W. H. Smart.

Collector and Constable, O. C. Sweat.

School Committee, J. D. Sweeney, H. H. Lancaster, A. A. Eldridge.

Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. J. D. Sweeney.

Road Commissioner, F. H. Davis.

Town Agent, W. H. Smart.

Treasurer, Fred M. Weymouth.

Constables, A. A. Eldridge, Chas. Lowell, Jas. D. Sweeney, B. F. Moran, O. C. Sweat,

Sexton, Peter Haverlock.

Truant Officer, B. F. Moran.

Rate 29 mills on the dollar.

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The following sums of money were appropriated	at the a	nnual
town meeting, 1909, viz:		
For support of schools\$1,000		
text books		
repairs and supplies		
incidentals	00	
highways and bridges	00	
State road	00 .	
winter roads	00	
support of poor	00	
school house note and interest 1,270		*
bridge pier note and interest 2,354		
care of cemetery		
	\$7,14	48 00
State tax	•	
County tax 319		
Overlay		
	$-\frac{32}{1,34}$	19 19
	1,0	14 14
	\$8 10	90 42
168 polls at \$3.00 \$ 504		70 4Z
Tax on personal and real estate 7,986		
		10 40
D + 00 . 31	\$8,49	10 42

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

			-	
Apr.	12.	J. D. Sweeney, freight on coal\$	17	52
	12.	" hauling coal	22	50
Y	14.	Bacon & Robinson Co	180	00
May	11.	A. W. Holman, part payment teaching	70	00
June	18.	A. W. Holman, teaching and janitor service	100	00
	18.	Bertha Babcock, "" "" ""	100	00
	19.	Rosemarie Gallagher " " "	95	00
July		M. G. Smart, conveying pupils	20	00
Sept.	17.	Rosemarie Gallagher, teaching and janitor		
		service	20	50
	17.	C. H. Abbott, part payment for teaching	30.	00
Oct.	1.	66 66 66 66	30	00
	27.	66 66 66 66	45	00
Dec.	3.	M. G. Smart, conveying pupils	24	00
	7.	C. H. Abbott, part payment for teaching	75	00
	9.	" teaching and janitor service	77	50
	10.	Mary Houston, "" "" ""	114	00
	16.	Bertha Babcock " " " "	140	00
191	.0.			
Jan.	29.	E. H. Webber, part payment teaching	60	00
Feb.	17.	Town of Maxfield, tuition	5	50
	26.	E. H. Webber, part payment for teaching	60	00
	26.	" teaching and janitor service	70	00
- 4	26.	W. E. Thompson, wood	1	25
,	26.	Bertha Babcock, teaching and janitor service	100	00
	26.	Gladys Babcock, assisting in primary school	10	00
	26.	Mary Houston, teaching and janitor service.	95	00
	26.	H. H. Lancaster, hauling wood		50
Unex	pended	1	173	55

\$1,736 82

CR.

March	8.	Unexpended balance from 1908	• • • •	d	\$ 108	72
-	8.	Appropriation		• • • .	1,000	00
Apr. 1910		Rebate on coal	• • • •	• •	1	80
		School fund and Mill tax		• • •	626	30
				\$	1,736	82
		TEXT BOOKS		₩.	1,,00	02
Mav	11.	Silver, Burdett & Co	\$ 9	41	F	
_		H. H. Lancaster, express	$\frac{1}{2}$			
		Edward E. Babb & Co				
		Ginn & Co	12			
191			X	-		
,		H. H. Lancaster, express		98		
		Bertha Babcock, express	1	45		
		1	51	72		
•					\$100	00
		Cr.				
March	8.	Appropriation			\$100	00
		REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES				
Feb.	26.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., glass	\$ 1	75		
		H. H. Lancaster, express		91		•
	7.	Chas. Mulherin, repairs		55	+	
	12.	Mrs. Dan Cameron, cleaning school			*	-
7.1		house · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	12	00		4
Sept.	17.	Rosemarie Gallagher, telephone				
		messages		60		
Oct.	22.	H. H. Lancaster, express		55		
	22.	C. H. Abbott, repairs	9	82		
	22.	C. H. Abbott, repairs	1	00	1	
191	0.					
Jan.	18.	Sumner & Gerald, grates	3	88		
	19.	H. H. Lancaster, express	1	98		
	26.	G. E. French, repairs on furnace	8	42		

Feb.	17. 23. 23. 23. 23.	J. P. Bass & Co., supplies 1 00 E. E. Babb & Co., supplies 2 90 E. E. Babb & Co., supplies 1 31 Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies 1 80 E. H. Webber, supplies 32 H. H. Lancaster, repairs 2 50	r	
	40.	11. 11. Lancaster, repairs	\$51	29
		CR. Appropriation	\$ 51	29
		FREE HIGH SCHOOL		
Apr.	14	Tuition, Harold Blake	\$ 7	00
May		Hugh McKay in 1908		00
Aug.		Hugh McKay	9	00
Oct.		Harold Blake	8	00
"		Hazel Blake	8	00
• 66		Pearl Dawson	6	00
1910				
Jan.	24.	Hazel Blake	8	
Feb.	17.	Pearl Dawson		00
66		Hattie DeRoche, (two terms)		00
Feb.	23.	Hugh McKay, (two terms)	18	00
		Cr.	\$99	00
		Y Y	* • • •	~ ~
Mar.	8.	Unexpended balance 1908	\$37	
		Refunded by State		50
4		Overdrawn	35	55
			\$99	00
	S	CHOOL HOUSE NOTE AND INTEREST		
Dec.	4.	Eastern Trust & Banking Co \$1	1,270	00
Mar.	8.	CR. Appropriation\$	1,270	00

	~	WINDOWS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING		
t t		Unexpended	\$100	00
		Cr.		
Mar.	8.	Unexpended balance 1908	\$100	00
		CARE OF CEMETERY		
			₩ ○ ≈	0.0
		Unexpended	\$25	00
		CR.		
Mar.	8.	Appropriation	\$25	00
		SUPPORT OF POOR	*	
Feb.	25.	S. N. Marsh, medical attendance Mrs.		
		Davis	\$ 4	00
Mar.	6.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
	18.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies, Mrs.		
		Davis		50
-	20.	E. L. Thompson, supplies Mrs. Christensen	2	45
44	27.	S. Robinson & M. Levine Co., supplies		
3		Mrs. Christensen	5	00
April	2.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
	3.	A. D. McLeod, supplies, Mrs. Christensen	7	43
4.0	13.	W. H. Smart, expenses bringing Henry		
	-	Nadeau and family from Waterville	24	44
	15.	S. N. Marsh, medical attendance	12	00
May	1.	A. D. McLeod, supplies Mrs. Christensen	6	48
	3.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
, .	8.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies Henry		
		Nadeau	7	43
12		City of Waterville, supplies for H. Nadeau	2	32
	14.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies Mrs. Davis		75
	31.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00
June	2.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
	5.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00
	12.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00

June	14.	S. Robinson & M. Levine Co., supplies for		
		Mrs. Davis	- 1	50
	18.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies for Mrs.		
		Davis		70
	19.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00
		Mrs. R. Q. Lancaster, milk for Henry		
		Nadeau	5	61
	23.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	2	00
+	26.			
		Nadeau	14	41
		Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00
	28.	A. D. McLeod, supplies for Henry Nadeau		62
		A. D. McLeod, supplies for Mrs.		
		Christensen	2	00
July	1.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
		J. A. Osgood, supplies for Mrs. Davis	1	10
		Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00
		A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies Mrs.		
		Davis		90
	10.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	3	00
	17.	66	3	00
	25.		2	50
	31.		2	50
Aug.	4.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
	7.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	2	50
	14.	66	2	50
	21.	66	3	00
	28.	66	2	50
Sept.	4.	V. R. Nason & Son, wood for Mrs. Pillsbury	10	90
_	2.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis	8	00
	4.	Pearl Chamberlain, cutting wood for Mrs.		
		Pillsbury	2	10
		V. R. Nason & Son, wood for Mrs.		
		Christensen	3	25
		Henry Nadeau, supplies	2	50
	11.	66	3	50

Sept.	17.	Mrs. R. Q. Lancaster, milk for H. Nadeau,	*	4	52
12 .		L. M. Preble, medical attendance, Henry			
		Nadeau		2	.00
4	18.	Pearl Chamberlain, cutting wood for Mrs.		4	
		Pillsbury		1	00
		Henry Nadeau, supplies		2	50
		S. N. Marsh, medical attendance Nadeau			
		family		2	50
	22.	S. N. Marsh, medical attendance, Mrs.			
		Christensen		10	00
		S. N. Marsh, medical attendance, Mrs.			
		Davis		4	00
	25.	Maud Milheron, house rent for H. Nadeau,		18	00
9		Henry Nadeau, supplies		2	50
Oct.	1.			8	00
_1	2.	Henry Nadeau, supplies		2	50
	9.				
		Nadeau		6	81
		Henry Nadeau, supplies		2	50
	12.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies Mrs.			
		Davis		1	80
	14.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies Mrs.		4.	*
		Davis		2	80
· ·	16.	Henry Nadeau, supplies		2	50
	23.	66 66 66	*	3	25
1	30.	66 66 66	1.	2	75
Nov.	1.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis		8	00
	6.	Henry Nadeau, supplies	· ·	2	50
1	11.	Maud Milheron, house rent for H. Nadeau,		6	00
	13.	Henry Nadeau, supplies		2	50
	18.	A. D. McLeod, supplies for Mrs. Davis		1	00
	20.	Henry Nadeau, supplies		1	82
+	30.	Mrs. R. Q. Lancaster, milk for H. Nadeau,		1	50
Dec.	1.	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis		8	00
Ť.	2.	A. Beatham, cutting wood for Mrs. Pills-			
7 h		bury	4	2	50
		ž			•

Dec. 16.	O. A. York, hauling boughs for Mrs. Pills-	9	00
18.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies for Mrs.		75
1910.	Davis		10
	M. N. Twombly, wood for Mrs. Pillsbury,	22	50
	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis Howard Downes, cutting wood for Mrs.	8	00
1.2	Pillsbury A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies for Mrs.	8	00
	Davis	1	50
15.	L. M. Howes, medical attendance Nadeau	ຄ	50
31.	family	2	50
	Pillsbury		00
	Dan DeRoche, boarding Mrs. Davis S. N. Marsh, medical attendance Mrs.	8	00
22.	Davis	10	75
	Nadeau	3	00
	Pillsbury	1	50
	Unexpended	123	
		\$529	03
	CR.		
Mch. 8.	Appropriation	\$350	00
May I.	Labor of Henry Nadeau		23
June 18.	"		75
July 20.	"	59	
Oct. 18.			50
Jan. 10	"	T	00
Feb. 23.			25
1909		13	~ 5
Aug. 25.	"	5	55
	"		25
	((50
	Wood on hand at this time		00
		\$529	03

INCIDENTALS

Mar.	8.	H. C. Scott, selectman \$	100	00
		W. H. Smart, town clerk	25	00
		J. W. Davis, selectman	50	00
		A. A. Eldridge, selectman	59	50
	13.	B. F. Moran, truant officer and pound		
		keeper	22	75
2		F. M. Weymouth, treasurer	50	00
	18.	E. F. Dillingham, blank books	. 5	49
	23.	H. H. Lancaster, hall rent	3	00
Apr.	3.	Thomas W. Burr Printing Co., printing		
		reports	24	00
	3.	A. D. McLeod, moderator	2	00
May	II.	O. A. York, driving and cleaning hearse,	4	00
	21.	E. C. Shaw, typewriting	I	00
	21.	W. H. Smart, expenses to Bangor and		
		legal advice	4	40
June	II.	Cleveland Astles, refund of 1907 poll tax,	3	00
Aug.	2I.	E. C. Ryder, legal advice	2	00
		Newell White, printing	I	90
Oct.	II.			
		paid on 1907, 1908 and 1909 tax	2 I	09
		E. F. Dillingham, blank books	3	00
Nov.		E. C. Ryder, legal services	13	74
Dec.	I.	E. Sawyer, messenger fee to Davis'		
*		camp		75
		J. D. Sweeney, lamb killed by dogs	6	00
		1910		
Jan,	25.	E. C. Ryder, legal services	4	00
Feb.	26.	W. H. Smart, paid doctors reporting	•	
*		births and deaths	8	50
4		W. H. Smart, postage, telephoning		40
		O. C. Sweat, discounts	354	
9		abatements		19
ii -		commission	323	

	Forest fires, (see itemized account of		
	labor elsewhere in this report)	1014	25
	Unexpended	413	41
		\$257. I	55
	CR.		
Mar. 8.	Appropriation	\$1000	00
*	State aid	1500	00
a a	Cemetery lot	6	00
	Use of hearse	6	00
	Dog license refund	27	64
	Interest	31	91
		\$2571	55
	HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES		
Mar. 8.	Amount set apart for State road	\$ 98	00
Apr. 22.	Dan Robinson, labor	3	00
	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	I	12
May 12.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., "	5	IO
14.	Vernon Watters, labor	3	75
	Fred Nadeau, "	8	25
	Alex Nadeau, "	4	50
	Mike Nadeau, "	11	75
	Harry C. Nason, "	7	50
	Peter Haverlock, "	13	80
18.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	I	58
22.	Vernon Watters, labor	7	50
	J. H. Nadeau, "	7	50
27.	Peter Haverlock, "	10	50
28.	Harry C. Nason, "	9	00
31.	Will Sweat, "	2	62
June 9.	Harry C. Nason, "	II	25
	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	3	61
18.	Edmund Nadeau, labor	4	50
22.	Harry C. Nason, "	6	00

Tune 26.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	I	48
Julie Her	Ike Smith, labor		25
29.	Peter Haverlock, "		50
30.	Loren Davis, "	57	- 1
July 2.	Ralph Chamberlain, "		50
	Harry C. Nason, "		50
	Will Sweat, "		63
3.	Edmund Nadeau, "	3	00
20.	O. A. York, "	31	87
21.	Albert Sage, "	12	25
26.	Will Sweat, "	5	25
30.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	2	64
Aug. 5.	J. J. Pettingill, labor	7	00
	A. A. Eldridge, repairs on road machine,	8	75
9.	Chas. Lowell, labor	8	00
23.	O. C. Sweat, labor	25	38
	F. H. Davis, services of team	III	00
	" as commissioner	91	00
	J. W. Davis, labor of men and teams	56	25
	Loren Davis, labor	37	00
2.	Will Sweat, "	17	50
7.	Henry Tate, "	16	25
	J. J. Pettingill, "	17	50
	Cliff Wallace, "	8	75
20.	O. C. Sweat, "	24	75
	Henry Nadeau "	II	25
22.	A. A. Eldridge, iron work Meadow		
	Brook bridge	12	40
- 4	O. A. York, labor	17	00
	Arthur York, "	8	75
24.	J. J. Pettingill, "	8	75
Oct. 9.	H. M. Cole, "	7	00
	J. J. Pettingill, "	14	00
13.	D. G. Faloon, "	9	63
3. 11	Geo. Mills, "	II	38
14.	Arthur York, "	14	00
•		**	
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Oct.	15.	F. H. Davis, services as commissioner.	14	00
		F. H. Davis, services of team	16	00
		O. C. Sweat, labor	12	00
	16.	R. A. Faloon & Chas. Pillsbury, filling		
	-	washout between Piscataquis bridge		
	1	and post office	175	00
	17.	W. L. Littlefield, labor	9	80
	18.	Chas. Pillsbury, "	5	50
		R. A. Faloon, "		75
	21.	Peter Haverlock, "		50
		O. A. York, "	31	87
Nov.	•	Howland Pulp & Paper Co., lumber	_	29
	3.	J. A. Eldridge, labor		75
	13.	F. L. Runnells, "		75
Dec.	•	Foster Chamberlain, labor		00
1910				
Jan.	22.	A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	36	24
Feb.	5.			50
	18.	J. W. Davis, men and teams	41	75
		Chas. Lowell, ferrying	•	00
-			\$1,287	72
		CR.		•
Mar.	8.	Appropriation	\$850	00
112411	0.	Overlay		
		Fines for trotting on Piscataquis bridge.	132	00
		Overdrawn		
		Overdiawii	293	40
			\$1,287	72

STATE ROAD

			4	~ -
May		A. H. Weymouth & Co., supplies	\$ 12	
June	30.	Loren Davis, labor	11	82
July	1.	Ike Smith, labor	5	25
	2.	Harry C. Nason, labor	10	13
	3.	Edmund Nadeau, "	5	38
		Peter Haverlock, "	7	88
	20.	O. A. York, "	12	18
	21.	Albert Sage, "	24	06
	26.	Will Sweat, "	24	06
	27.	Milton Duncan, "	11	38
	31.	Peter Haverlock, "	7	88
Aug.	5.	J. J. Pettingill, "	12	25
		O. C. Sweat, "		94
		Will Sweat, "	5	25
1		F. H. Davis, services of teams	41	50
		" as commissioner	41	50
	25.	Loren Davis, labor	22	75
4	1	J. W. Davis, services of men and teams	56	36
		O. A. York, labor		25
	_,	Jas. Gratton, "		63
	28.	Arthur York, "		25
		Dan Robinson, "		50
Sept.	25.	Loren Davis, "		74
o-P			2.00	16
-	ŧ		\$356	44
		Cr.		
Mar.	8.	Appropriation	\$ 49	00
		Set apart from highway account	98	00
Nov.	1.	State aid	183	75
		Overdrawn	25	69
			ф <u>о</u> го	4.4
			\$356	44

WINTER ROADS

Apr.		Ralph Chamberlain, labor, breakin		\$ 1	13
_	16.	T. W. Wallace, ""	• •	1	13
	24.	G. B. McKay, breaking roads		15	50
May	7.			7	00
		Loren Davis, " "		. 1	75
		Unexpended		73	
	0	-9		\$ 100	00
		Cr.			
N /	0			#100	00
Mar.	8.	Appropriation		\$100	UU
		BRIDGE NOTE AND INTER	EST		
Sept.	30.	Eastern Trust & Bkg. Co., note an	d int.,	\$2147	50
•	-	Unexpended		206	50
				\$2354	00
		CR.			
Mar.	8.	Appropriation		\$2354	00
				11	
		TADOD DIGITARY DODDOG	THE TOTAL		
		LABOR FIGHTING FOREST	FIRES		
June	7.	Aaron Hughes	\$ 5 00		
		Ralph Chamberlain	7 20		
		Will Boober			
		H. B. Hooper	60	9	
		Fred Nadeau	7 60		
			3 00		
		Paul James	50		
		Percy Witham	6 90		
4		Dan Robinson			
		Stafford Duncan			
		Edmund Nadeau			
		Wm. Hughes			
		Allie Chamberlain	4 00	4	
		Arthur York	8 60		

June 7.	Will McClusky	4 00
	Geo. Bastian	4 00
	Douglass Mott	3 60
	Ernest McCluskey	3 00
	John Robinson	7 40
	Bennie Runnells	4 00
(i	Walter Boober	3 00
	Fred McKinnon	5 00
	Will Sweat	3 20
	Richard Boober	1 20
	Clarence Boober	2 60
	Mike Leavitt	1 20
	Mike Poggburn	2 00
	Mike Poliski	1 20
	Powell Hardeau	1 20
	Jos. Simonds	3 20
	John Prehoik	1 20
	Joe Prehoik	1 20
	Clint Robinson	260
	Philip Seleski	1 20
	Loren Davis	1 00.
ý	Warren Burton	3 80
	Jas. Proctor	1 60
·	Thos. Brady	1 00
	W. Curtis	1 00
	Eugene Nason	1 60
	Geo. Moore	1 60
	Bembridge York	4 50
	Peter Anderson	1 00
	O. C. Sweat	3 20
	Wellington Mills	3 20
	Sam Downes	1 80
	Ira Downes	1 80
	Howard Downes	1 80
	H. M. Cole	4 40
	S. M. Deller	2 20

June	7.	Ernest Howard	1	20
		W. H. Smart, amount paid	,	
		boys	24	25
	9.	Walter Leavitt	4	00
		Harry C. Nason	1	00
		Albert Sage	2	30
	10.	Harold Lancaster	3	60
		T. J. McKay	2	00
		Jos. Wilbur	5	60
		Will Walch	1	20
		J. D. Sweeney,	4	60
		Albert Wilbur	4	40
	14.	Frank Delano	3	20
		Geo. Boober	2	40
		Wm. McNevin	*	60
	15.	Aaron Hughes	11	00
		O. C. Sweat		00
		Norris Weymouth		00
		Wm. Hughes	14	00
		Ralph Emery	3	20
		A. H. Weymouth & Co.,		
		supplies		03
4	4.0	F. M. Weymouth		00
		H. M. Cole · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		00
	21.	Ernest Meyers		80
		Roy Meyers		80
	0.0	Everett Foley		80
	23.	Thos. Wallace	2	00
	28.	Ralph Emery, labor of Henry		
		Nadeau		20
		Geo. Mills		00
	20	Milton Duncan		00
	30.	Calvin Carey		20
		A. A. Eldridge		00
		W. H. Smart	8	00

July	8.	F. H. Davis	2	00
•		Albert Burgoyne	1	00
	16.	W. H. Smart, amount paid		
		sorting-gap crew	10	90
Aug.	9.	Chas. Lowell	1	00
		Frank Robbins	1	00
	19.	Ed. Cameron	1	00
		Fred McKinnon	2	00
		Harry Lancaster	3	60
		Geo. Thompson	5	55
		Ralph Seavey	3	45
		John McQuinn	2	85
		Andrew Nadeau	3	45
		Chas. Davis	4	40
1		Harold Blake	6	00
		Walter Leavitt	4	95
		Clinton Robinson	5	40
		Peter Haverlock	7	95
		Edmund Nadeau	3	15
		R. A. Faloon	4	50
		Bembridge York	4	05
		Bennie Runnells	6	00
		Alex Nadeau	4	30
		John Robinson		65
		Will Sweat	3	75
	4	Frank Thompson	4	50
		Guy Boynton	4	00
		Ellis Sibley	4	85
		Wm. Hughes		15
		Fred York		45
		Wm. Miller		20
		J. J. Pettingill		20
		H. M. Cole		90
		Len Howard	4	87
	4	Wesley Runnells		95
		Chas. Pillsbury	4	50

Aug.	19. Mike Nadeau	4	35
6	Logan Freese		75
	Harry Boober		00
	O. A. York		00
	Reuben Lancaster		00
	Earle Lancaster		20
	Geo. Mason	_	20
	Ralph Chamberlain		45
	Will McCloskey		.50
	Harold Lancaster		80
	Frank Robbins		50
4	Claude Tozier		20
	Howard Graham	2	55
	Cliff Wallace		40
	Frank Lancaster	7	05
	Calvin Carey	4	87
	Frank Parsons		00
	Wm. Littlefield, for cr	ew of	
	men and board	143	15
	Eugene Nason	6	15
	Albert Beatham	5	85
	Sam Tozier		11
	John Bowker	5	28
	Fred Lancaster	,	45
	Millard Curtis	5	71
	Lee Tozier		11
	David Blanchard	3	00
	Jas. Wallace	5	40
	Fred Runnells	6	75
	Arthur York	6	45
	Peter Labrick	1	50
	Stafford Duncan	4	95
	Thos. Wallace	2	40
	John Garrett	4	50
	Everett Boober	• • • • •	80
	Raynor Crocker	• • • •	80

Aug.	19.	Pearl Chamberlain		80
		Marshall Lancaster	5	25
		John H. Nason, for crew of		
		men and board	8	30
		Jos. Wilbur & Son	7	55
		Frank Mott	1	57
		Ernest Mott	1	61
		Jos. Howard		50
		Lawrence Pettingill	7	20
		P. W. Bailey		75
		Loren Davis	1	50
		Harry C. Nason	4	50
		J. N. Bartlett	2	25
		Richard Boober	3	45
		Wm. Garrett	4	88
	20.	Ira Downes	2	25
		Howard Downes	2	2 5
	4	Clarence Boober	2	25
		Geo. Boober		75
		B. F. Moran	2	25
		Laurel Hughes		80
		Frank Kimball		30
		Frank Delano	6	10
		Foster Chamberlain	1	50
		Walter Boober	1	95
		Everett DeRoche		55
	21.	Sam Downes	1	50
		Geo. Bastian	1	95
		Fred Nadeau	3	83
		L. A. Faloon	2	55
		Allie Chamberlain	1	20
		Clarence Witham		30
		Jas. Proctor	1	50
		Albert Wilbur	6	75
	24.	Walter McQuinn	1	75

Aug. 25.	Wm. Walch	3	60	
	Henry Nadeau	5	55	
	Levi Lancaster	7	00	+ 10 mm g
	A. H. Weymouth & Co	33	75	
	Irvin Donavan	1	00	* ** * * * **
	Carl Smart		80	
	Rex Smart		80	
26.	Ralph Emery	4	65	
28.	John Harris	3	50	
	John D. Clements	1	35	
30.	Merle Weymouth	1	00	
Sept. 3.	Harold Cummings	4	50	
4.	V. R. Nason & Son	6	00	
6.	Wm. Hughes	5	28	
10.	E. J. Smart	4	50	
16.	Thos. McKay		80	
	Hugh McKay	. 1	05	
Nov. 5.		1	80	
	A. A. Eldridge	5	00	
	R. Q. Lancaster	2	50	
1910			9 2	12 21
Feb. 17.	J. W. Davis	5	00	
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		\$1,014	25	The state of
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4.3	O. C. SWEAT, Collecto	r, 1909		
Amount o	f commitment			\$8,490 42
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	CR.		10.	
		\$7,765	05	× 40° 40° 4
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	t	47	19	i i
Commission	on	323	54	
		7	-	\$8,490 42

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

	Unexpe	nded	Overdra	awn
Support of schools	\$173	55		
Text books	51	72		
Supplies and repairs			# I	29
Free high school			35	55
Incidentals	413	41		
State road			25	69
Winter road	73	49		
Windows for school building	100	00		
Care of cemetery	25	00		
Piscataquis bridge piers	206	50		
Support of poor	123	39		
Highways and bridges			293	20
Gain on the year's business			811	33
	\$1,167	06	\$1,167	06

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

For	support of schools	\$ 550	00		
	text books	100	00		
	repairs and supplies of schools	50	00		
	free high school	75	00		
	incidentals	1,000	00	9	
	State road	400	00		
	winter road	100	00		
	care of cemetery	25	00		
	support of poor	250	00		
	highways and bridges	700	00	4	
	school house note and interest	1,225	00		
	bridge pier note and interest	2,195	00		
	repairs on Mattamiscontis road	500	00		
		:		\$7,170	00

Road Commissioner's Report

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Howland:

I herewith submit my report as Road Commissioner for the year 1909.

During the early spring the roads had every appearance of being in bad condition from the frost, but as the season advanced, I found that they were in about the average condition from that element, and demanded about the same treatment as has been applied in the

past, which I endeavored to apply to the best of my ability.

You will understand, and any fair-minded man, or body of men will agree; that with the small sum of money which we are able to raise each year, that it is impossible to go over the entire roads in this town and repair and correct all of the defects, yet it has been my honest purpose to distribute this money so that each locality should be equally well served, except, perhaps the Mattamiscontis road, which is as you all know in a deplorable condition and should I have expended the entire sum on that road there would still remain a question in regard to its condition.

Owing to the active measures taken by the Selectmen, the International Paper Co. repaired the damage to the road caused by their flowage, for which they were and are liable. I urge the incoming board to see that they do the same thing this year, and each succeeding year until such times as a settlement may again be

made.

I would recommend that the town make a special appropriation of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be used on this piece of road, and make the appropriation for highways and bridges as small as is consistent with good service. The roads on the whole are showing a marked improvement each year and, it is with a feeling of pride that I look at them, thinking of the condition only five years ago, when we had to "swamp" them out.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the people and voters of the town for their support and co-operation and take pleasure in announcing

myself a candidate for the ensuing year.

The amount expended on washouts and charged to highways and bridges was \$396.97 per Selectmen's report.

Respectfully submitted.

Treasurer's Report

FRED M. WEYMOUTH, Treasurer.

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То	balance in treasury Feb. 5, 1909	\$ 953	09
	cash of A. A. Eldridge, for man trotting bridge		00
	" Robinson trotting bridge	3	00
	" man trotting bridge	3	00
	" Fernald trotting bridge,	3	00
	" W. H. Smart, rebate on coal	1	80
	" selectmen for use of hearse at Passadumkeag	6	00
	" Mrs. Mulheron, for cemetery lot	6	00
	W. H. Smart, for dog license	43	00
	check of State treasurer	1,500	00
į.	" State road	183	75
	interest on tax deeds	10	20
	check of State treasurer for free high schools	25	50
4	school fund and mill tax	626	30
	received from school supervisor for one primer to		
	Mr. McCloskey,		25
	received from school supervisor for one arithmetic	*	
	to Fred Weymouth		60
	received from O. C. Sweat, tax collector for year		
	1909	8490	42
	received from selectmen for labor of Henry Nadeau	70	98
	66 66 66		
	from J. W. Davis	75	25
	received from Chas. Pillsbury, for labor of Henry		
	Nadeau	4	50
1	interest at bank	20	86
et	dog license refunded	27	64

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By paid 6 mos. interest on bridge notes	\$ 147	50
State treasurer dog license	43	00
bridge pier note and 6 mos. interest on bridge		
note	2147	50
county tax	319	83
school house note and interest	1270	00
State tax	890	07
error on 1908 account	20	81
selectmen's receipt for town orders cashed and		
tarned in	5,615	16
Balance	1,604	27
	*	
	\$12,058	14
Cash in treasury Feb. 26, 1910	1,604	27

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN FEB. 26, 1910

Notes Eastern Trust & B'nk'g. Co., on s	school hou	se,	\$5,000	00	
Interest on same,			48	75	
Notes Eastern Trust & B'nk'g Co., on l	bridge pier	rs,	3,900	00	
Interest on same,			74	75	
Outstanding town orders,			285	93	
			\$9,309	43	
G. B. McKay,	\$	50			
Chas. Lowell,	5	00	0		
Bertha Babcock,	I	45			
E. H. Webber,	70	00			
Bertha Babcock,	100	00			
Gladys Babcock,	10	00			
Mary Houston,	95	00			
H. H. Lancaster,	2	50			
"		50			
		98		. 4	
	\$285	93			

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Balance in bank and on h	and,	\$1,604	27
Liabilities over assets,	į.	7,705	16
		W.	
		\$9,309	43

Report of Superintendent of Schools, 1910

To the inhabitants of the Town of Howlar my report for the first two terms of the school				mit
Amount unexpended 1908	\$ 108			4
Appropriation	0.2			A
State school fund and mill tax			F	
- Double Belle of Fellow Wild Hills Control of the Fellow			\$1735	02
Teachers' wages and board	\$1167	50	0.00	
Conveyance of pupils	44		+ w 1 * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	- : -
Janitors' services	124			*
Fuel	- 15	-	· ·	
Tuition (Maxfield)		50		
			1,569-	22
			01 C C	00
Unexpended balance	- 2		\$165	
	4 3 8			
FREE HIGH SCHOO)Lr		S 10 70	
Amount unexpended 1908	\$37	95	÷	100
" from State	25	50	# 0 0	4
	,		\$63	
Tuitions paid			99	00
Overdrawn			\$35	55
REPAIRS AND SUPPI	LIES			
Appropriation for year	\$50	00	*	
Amount expended	48	18		
Unexpended balance			\$ 1	82
			th in	

TEXT	BOOK	ACCOUNT
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	Appropriation for Amount expended	_						
	Unexpend	led balance					\$49	46
		Spring	TERM	(10 wee	eks)			
	School	Name o	f Teach	ier	Salar	У		
	Grammar,	A. W. Ho	lman,	Prin.,	\$150	00		
	Intermediate,			-	92	50		
	Primary,	Bertha Ba			92	50		
	Primary Ass't,	Gladys Ba	-		5	00		
		FALL.	Term	(14 wee)	ks)			
				•		00		
	Grammar,	C. H. Abl			\$210			40
	Intermediate,	Rosemarie		gner,		00		
		Mary Hou			111		-	4
	Primary,	Bertha Ba	ососк,		136	90		
		WINTER	TERM	м (10 we	eeks)			
	Grammar,	Elmer We	bber,	Prin.,	\$150	00		
•	Intermediate,	Mary Hou		•	••	50		
	Primary,	Bertha Ba			97	50	4	
	Primary Ass't,	Gladys Ba	bcock,		10	00		
							\$1167	50
,	C		5 T	X 7 1	•			
	SUMMARY	of Teach	ERS' V	VAGES,	INCLUDING	ROA	RD	
	A. W. Holman,		0 00		Houston,	1.	111	00
	Rosemarie Gallag				Babcock,		136	50
	Bertha Babcock,		2 50	Elmer	Webber,		150	00
	Gladys Babcock,		5 00		Houston,		92	50
	C. H. Abbott.		0 00	Bertha	Babcock,		97	50
	Rosemarie Gallag	gher, 2	0 00	Gladys	Babcock,		10	00
	*	1					\$1167	50
					*		\$1167	ÓΛ

JANITORS' SERVICES

A. W. Holman, spring term,	5	\$	20	00	
Rosemarie Gallagher, "		4	2	50	4
Bertha Babcock,	8		2	50	St.
C. H. Abbott, fall term,			47	50	
Rosemarie Gallagher, fall term,	- T	8		50	
Mary Houston,			3	00	
Bertha Babcock,		-	3	50	
Elmer Webber, winter term,			40	00	
Mary Houston,	*	i.	2	50	e de s
Bertha Babcock,			2	50	
		2	=		\$ 124 50

FUEL

H. L. Lancaster, hauling wood,	Bu		\$	50	
Bacon & Robinson, (for coal),	14. W	* .	178	20	
Freight on coal,			17	52	
J. S. Sweeney, hauling coal,			22		
				4	\$ 218 72

TRANSPORTATION

M. G.	Smart,	(I pupil	for	IO	weeks),	#	20	00		
""	"	"	""	12	"		24	00		
								\$	44	4 00

TUITION

Town of	Maxfield,	(1 pupil	22 weeks),		\$ 5	50
Amount	of wages,	janitor's	work, fuel,	conveyance		
and	tuition,				\$1,560	22

BOOKS

Silver & Burdette Co.,	\$ 9	4 I		
H. H. Lancaster, express,		98		
6-6	2	87		
E. E. Babb & Co.,	8	21		
"	12	53		
"	I	31		
Ginn & Co.,	12	83		
Express paid by Mrs. Babcock,	I	45		
Silver & Burdette Co.,	1	80		
			\$51	39

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

Glass for door and setting same,	4.		\$	2	30
Telephone message, (2),					60
Oil brooms,	•			8	00
Kerosene oil can for same, dust 1	oan,				52
Express and cartage, \$1.30 and.	.55,			I	85
E. E. Babb & Co.,				2	90
Cleaning school house,				12	00
Express,	- *			9	91
Repairing clock,				1	00
Sumner & Gerald, (grates),	1			3	88
Express on grates,				I	98
Repairs on furnace,				8	42
6.6		*		2	50
Bass & Co., promotion cards,				I	00
Dippers and oil,					32
			W		and a

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HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Foxcroft Academy, March 12 \$ 7	00		
	00		
Lincoln Academy, Sept. 27	00		
Foxcrost Academy, Sept. 27, (2 tuitions) 16	00		
Higgins Classical Institute, Oct. 26 9	00		
Foxcroft Academy, 1910	00		
Orono High School, 1910, (2 terms) 20	00		*
Lincoln Academy	00	2	
Higgins Classical Institute, Feb., 1910 18	00		2
	e de la companya de l	\$99	00

Notwithstanding the fact that there has been more changes in the teaching force this year than in the two previous years, the work has been carried along smoothly and faithfully, each teacher working earnestly for the best interest of the schools.

At the close of the spring term Mr. Holman tendered his resignation and Mr. Charles H. Abbott, a Bates student and a man of excellent teaching ability, was elected to the position of Principal. At the close of the fall term Mr. Abbott decided to return to college and Mr. Elmer Webber, who came to us with the best of recommendations, was chosen to serve as Principal for the following term.

The fall term opened with Miss Gallagher in the intermediate, and Mrs. Babcock in the primary room. Miss Gallagher taught two weeks and then resigned to accept a more remunerative position in Bangor, her home town. We lost a very able and tactful teacher, but in the election of Miss Mary Houston to fill the position thus made vacant, I believe the school board made no mistake as Miss Houston is a very hard working, pains-taking teacher. Babcock has remained throughout the year in the primary department and her conscientious work needs no further words since the citizens know each year the result of her faithful efforts.

There is one thing which has been a great annoyance to the teachers, and to which I wish to call the attention of the members of the school board, since with them alone (I find upon investigation) lies the authority to decide how the school moneys shall be expended.

The schools need furnished supplies in the way of paper, pencils and Only the teacher knows how trying it is to commence a written lesson and meet the never failing interruption of hands being raised here and there and the complaint, "I have no paper," or "My pencil is broken," given in answer to her query, "What is wanted?" In every well ordered lower grade school room of today, pencils and paper are not allowed in the hands of the pupils until just before a written lesson is given, when the pupils are called to position and the material needed is deftly passed to each one and the lesson proceeds uninterrupted. At the close of the period the material is as quickly collected and placed in the teacher's care until again needed. By this plan the noise, waste and litter caused by having the tablet and pencil to use at will is done away with, the weekly demand upon the parent for a nickel, a dime or a quarter for school supplies is overcome, the teacher's patience is much less tried, and best of all the children are taught the use, and not the abuse, of the material, and a little lesson of economy is unconsciously learned by the pupils. An attractive display of any articles placed on exhibition appeals to us all much more than a miscellaneous collection of the same goods. Then how much more do the parents and visitors enjoy the inspection of the pupil's written work when it is done upon paper of uniform size, color and ruling.

A small amount (say fifteen dollars) if judiciously expended, taken from the appropriation for text books, or from the repairs and supplies fund, would furnish the schools for a year with needed material. Some towns draw for this from the text book money since that appropriation usually exceeds the other. I earnestly hope the school board will adjust this matter for the best good of the schools.

It being necessary for me to resign my position before the close of the year, I leave the report to be concluded by my successor.

Thanking the members of the school board and the citizens of Howland for their support, and wishing the schools of Howland all possible success, I respectfully submit the above report.

MARIETTA NICKERSON SWEENEY.

At the close of the fall term of school I was elected by the school board to the position left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Sweeney as superintendent of your schools.

The election was accepted with the understanding that I should continue my work as teacher in the primary department.

The teachers employed for the winter term have already been mentioned by Mrs. Sweeney.

I wish to add that each teacher has worked earnestly for the best interests of the pupils under their care.

Reading clubs have been organized in the intermediate and grammar rooms. These clubs meet evenings at the homes of the members. The parents are urged to co-operate with the teachers in these meetings; as young people are much more enthusiastic over what interests father and mother.

The first week of school was somewhat broken up because of needed repairs on the furnace which the school board did not know about in time to have the work done before school began.

The attendance has been good with the exception of many having been kept home by severe colds.

It may be of interest to you to know the number registered in the past term. Grammar room, 27; Intermediate, 25; Primary 38, making a total of 90 pupils.

You have probably noticed in the first part of the report that five of our young people have attended secondary schools in other towns.

The question is being discussed as to the advisability of a free high school so as to keep our young people in their homes and to afford the pupils who are so situated that they cannot go to a secondary school elsewhere, the opportunity for a good education in their own town. Doubtless the number entering at first would be small, but as these ninety children who are in our schools now, graduate from the grammar school the attendance will yearly increase.

For the benefit of those who have not given this matter much thought and would naturally say: "The town cannot afford it," I wish to mention a few facts.

As you of course know there is a fine room all ready, with the exception of seats for the school; also a small room which could be used as a laboratory. Extra fuel would not be required as the room can be warmed with the same furnace as the other rooms.

You will see by consulting the school laws that we have three classes of high school. We should want to be in class A, for that gives a college preparatory course, and the town would be required to appropriate at least \$850, but the town shall be reimbursed by the State for two-thirds of that amount up to \$500.

We are informed by our State Superintendent that this town will receive from the State approximately \$1,105.57 Jan. 1, 1911, for common schools which will give this town the opportunity to reduce its usual appropriation about \$400. That amount appropriated on the high school fund will not make the actual expense very much in excess of last year for just the common schools.

I have placed this matter before you as clearly as I can and I hope it will be talked over and interest enough be manifested to warrant the calling a special meeting to form a free high school.

In closing I want to urge upon the people the advisability of visiting the schools often. Each term one day is set apart as Parents' Day, but why wait for that day? You will always be sure of a cordial welcome at any time, and the teachers are glad to receive the pleasant smile, the hearty handshake and encouraging words which they usually receive from the visitors who do come and they only wish that more took time to visit and see for themselves the work being done in the school rooms.

Respectfully submitted.

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