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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

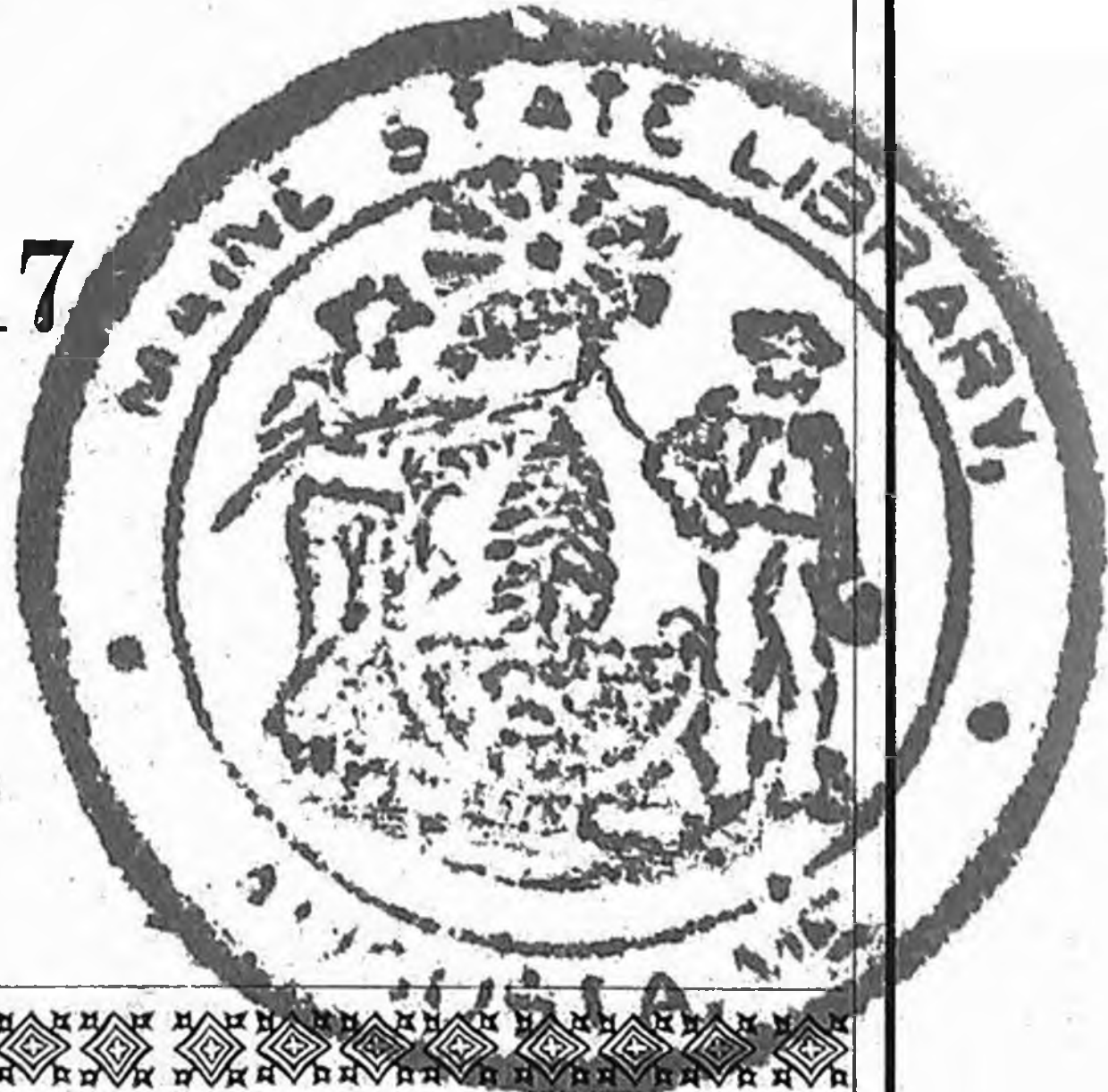
OF THE

Town of Howland

Maine

FOR THE YEAR

1916 - 1917



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Warrant

Penobscot ss.

State of Maine.

To *O. C. Sweat*, Constable of the town of Howland in said County,
Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Howland, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Foresters' Hall in said town, on Monday the twelfth day of March, 1917, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

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 fire commissioner and fix his compensation.

Art. 4. To elect a tax collector and fix his commission.

Art. 5. To see if the town will allow a discount of five per cent on all taxes assessed in the year 1917, which are paid on or before July 1, of that year, and see if the town will vote to have all taxes assessed in the year 1917 collected and paid into the town treasury at least two weeks before the next annual town meeting.

Art. 6. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools, support of poor, repairs of roads and bridges, breaking winter road, and defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of the State aid law of 1913.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise the amount contemplated by that law, for 1917.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to set apart \$500 from the account of highways and bridges to be used on "Special Highway."

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to build a Town Hall and appropriate money for same.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to build concrete sidewalks, specify the street, or streets, on which they shall be built in the year 1917; and raise the sum necessary for same.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to confer with the Howland Pulp and Paper Corp. in relation to lighting the streets of the town, and report to the town at a meeting which may be called for that purpose.

Art. 13. To transact any other business which may come legally before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at Foresters' Hall at nine o'clock on the day of said meeting, for the purpose of correcting the voting list.

Given under our hands at Howland this sixth day of February, A. D. 1917.

| | | |
|------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| H. C. SCOTT, | } | Selectmen of Howland. |
| J. W. DAVIS, | | |
| H. H. LANCASTER, | | |

Howland, Maine, February 10, 1917.

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 purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy by said warrant at Post Office in said town being a public and conspicuous place in said town on the tenth day of February, being seven days before said meeting.

O. C. SWEAT,

Constable of Howland.

LIST OF VOTERS

An alphabetical list of voters as made out by the selectmen,
February sixth, 1917.

Atwood, H. F.
Applebee, Ivan
Ayers, Bert

Boynton, Guy
Boober, A. H.
Boober, Walter
Boober, Harry
Boober, Will
Boober, Richard
Boober, George
Blanchard, David
Butters, Wm.
Blake, Harold
Butterfield, Will

Crocker, Raynor
Campbell, Richard
Colbath, Chas.
Clements, John D.
Colbath, Alonzo
Colbath, Wesley G.
Chamberlain, Foster
Carver, L. P.
Chamberlain, Ralph
Chamberlain, Allie
Colbath, Lee
Clapp, Leslie

Davidson, Alexander
Davis, J. W.
Davis, Frank H.
Davis, G. L.
Duncan, Will
Dekin, Earl

Emery, Ralph
Eldridge, A. A.

Fogg, Edwin
Ferguson, John
Faloon, D. G.
Faloon, R. A.
Faloon, L. A.
French, George

Gemme, Paul

Hopkins, George
Hughes, W. L., Jr.
Hughes, W. L.
Hughes, Aaron L.
Hobbs, John
Hughes, L. H.

Jones, Ernest

Kinney, C. A.
Kimball, Thomas

Lowell, Chas.
Leavitt, Chas.
Lancaster, H. H.
Lancaster, R. Q.

McKay, Will
McKay, John
McKay, Hughie
McKinnon, Wm.
McKinnon, Fred
McCluskey, John
McCluskey, Will
McLaughlin, John
McCluskey, James
McCluskey, Ernest
Moran, B. F.

Nason, Wm.
Nadeau, Fred
Nadeau, Alex
Nason, John H.
Nason, V. R.
Nason, Frank
Nason, Eugene

Oakes, Ed.

Pettingill, Josiah
Pettingill, Frank
Palmer, Leonard

Ring, Frank S.
Robinson, Dan

Robinson, John
Reed, Alex
Runnells, Fred
Robinson, Harry
Robinson, Clinton
Rennells, Ben
Robbins, S. G.
Robbins, Frank
Robinson, Ed.

Shorey, E. L.
Smart, M. G.
Sweat, H. G.
Scott, H. C.
Smart, W. H.
Sweat, O. C.
Simmonds, C. W.
Simmonds, Joe
Sweat, Will
Shorey, E. A.
Shorey, Harold
Spencer, Leslie
Simoneau, E. A.

Thomas, Vernon
Turner, Chas.
Twombly, M. H.

Witham, Percy
Wallace, Gordon
Welsh, Ernest
Weymouth, F. M.

York, Arthur
York, O. A.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at Foresters' Hall on the 12th 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 sixth day of February,
A. D. 1917.

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|------------------|---|-----------|
| H. C. SCOTT, | } | Selectmen |
| J. W. DAVIS, | | of |
| H. H. LANCASTER, | | Howland. |

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, 1916-1917

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

H. C. SCOTT

J. W. DAVIS

H. H. LANCASTER

Clerk

L. P. CARVER

Collector and Constable

O. C. SWEAT

School Committee

H. H. LANCASTER

GEORGE HOPKINS

H. C. SCOTT

Superintendent of Schools

H. S. LIBBY, (District Superintendent)

Road Commissioners

F. H. DAVIS

O. A. YORK

Town Agent

H. C. SCOTT

Treasurer

FRED M. WEYMOUTH

Constables

O. C. SWEAT

WILL BOOBER

Truant Officers

R. A. FALOON

WALTER BOOBER

Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber

H. G. SWEAT

GEORGE HOPKINS

FRED M. WEYMOUTH

V. R. NASON

Fire Inspector

R. Q. LANCASTER

Board of Health

O. C. SWEAT

R. Q. LANCASTER

Sexton

WILL NASON

Sealer of Weights and Measures

CARL H. LORD, of West Enfield, Maine

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

FOR THE YEAR 1916-1917

In compliance with the laws of the State of Maine, we herewith present our annual report for your consideration.

It would be the proper thing to discuss at this point many of the things which seem to interest the voters and tax-payers, but you will agree with us that all the argument which we might put up for or against any of the proposed schemes would amount to nothing, and would lengthen this report, which costs money and which amounts to what has been said before "NOTHING."

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THE APPROPRIATIONS, 1916

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Support of schools..... | \$1,500 00 | |
| Text-books..... | 50 00 | |
| Repairs and supplies..... | 100 00 | |
| Free high school..... | 100 00 | |
| Support of poor..... | 300 00 | |
| Highways and bridges..... | 1,800 00 | |
| Winter road..... | 50 00 | |
| Incidentals..... | 1,000 00 | |
| Care of cemetery..... | 50 00 | |
| State aid road..... | 533 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$5,483 00 |
| State tax..... | \$1,488 47 | |
| County tax..... | 386 67 | |
| Overlay..... | 98 61 | |
| | | <hr/> 1,973 75 |
| | | <hr/> \$7,456 75 |
| Less 146 polls at \$3.00..... | | 438 00 |
| | | <hr/> \$7,018 75 |

Amount assessed on property.....

Rate of taxation 25 mills on the dollar. Number of polls exempt, 9

In closing this part of the report we feel thankful that we are alive to make it; and we also feel to thank a kind Providence for the pleasant months of the past year, and the hearty co-operation of the people of the town in all things undertaken in the interest of the municipality.

Thanking you all for that support during the past year, and trusting that the incoming board may receive the same kind of support during the coming year.

We respectfully subscribe ourselves,

| | | |
|------------------|---|-----------|
| H. C. SCOTT, | } | Selectmen |
| J. W. DAVIS, | | of |
| H. H. LANCASTER, | | Howland |

We have compared the school account with the Superintendent, and find that he is correct. Therefore, we are not reporting the detail of that department in our accounts, but we respectfully refer you to the report of that department.

SUPPORT OF POOR

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|-------|----|------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mar. | 13 | | \$300 00 |
| | 2 | | |
| | | | By appropriation |
| | | | To paid John Swett, board of Mrs. |
| | | | C. Davis |
| | | \$20 71 | |
| | 7 | | |
| | | | A. H. Weymouth Co., sup- |
| | | | plies Owen Lee |
| | | 15 92 | |
| | 8 | | |
| | | | N. E. Bickford, supplies |
| | | | Owen Lee |
| | | 60 | |
| | 29 | | |
| | | | N. E. Bickford, supplies |
| | | | Owen Lee |
| | | 70 | |
| April | 1 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board Mrs. C. |
| | | | Davis |
| | | 22 14 | |
| | 7 | | |
| | | | A. H. Weymouth Co., |
| | | | supplies Owen Lee |
| | | 17 57 | |
| | 7 | | |
| | | | A. H. Weymouth Co., |
| | | | supplies Dr. S. Prescott . . |
| | | 43 | |
| | 7 | | |
| | | | A. H. Weymouth Co., |
| | | | supplies Mrs. C. Davis . . |
| | | 45 | |
| | 10 | | |
| | | | A. H. Weymouth Co., |
| | | | supplies Owen Lee |
| | | 2 94 | |
| | 20 | | |
| | | | B. F. Moran, tramps |
| | | 2 00 | |
| May | 1 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 21 42 | |
| June | 1 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 22 14 | |
| | 24 | | |
| | | | Laura M. Preble, attend- |
| | | | ing C. Davis |
| | | 15 50 | |
| | 29 | | |
| | | | L. W. Fogg, supplies C. |
| | | | Davis |
| | | 9 35 | |
| | 29 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 21 42 | |
| Aug. | 2 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 22 14 | |
| Sept. | 1 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 22 14 | |
| Oct. | 2 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 21 42 | |
| Sept. | 25 | | |
| | | | Addie Annis, care C. Davis |
| | | 3 00 | |
| Oct. | 24 | | |
| | | | S. N. Marsh, attending C. |
| | | | Davis |
| | | 1 00 | |
| Nov. | 2 | | |
| | | | John Swett, board C. Davis |
| | | 22 14 | |
| | 14 | | |
| | | | W. G. Duncan, expense |
| | | | James Adams |
| | | 1 25 | |

| | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|---|------------|------------|
| 1916 | | | |
| Dec. 15 | To paid B. F. Moran, Timothy Callahan..... | \$ 1 00 | |
| 15 | B. F. Moran, tramps | 1 00 | |
| 5 | John Swett, board Mrs. C. Davis..... | 21 42 | |
| 7 | E. M. G. Hospital, Tim Callahan..... | 14 00 | |
| 20 | E. M. G. Hospital, James Adams..... | 74 00 | |
| 20 | Laura M. Preble, attending Mrs. C. Davis..... | 24 00 | |
| 1917 | | | |
| Jan. 3 | John Swett, board Mrs. C. Davis..... | 22 14 | |
| 12 | L. W. Fogg, supplies Mrs. C. Davis..... | 16 05 | |
| 18 | A. H. Weymouth Co., supplies Mrs. C. Davis.. | 65 | |
| 27 | By check Eastern Trust & Banking Co., rebate James Adams and Timothy Callahan. | | 41 00 |
| Feb. 7 | To paid John Swett, board Mrs. C. Davis | 22 14 | |
| 27 | By overdrawn..... | | 121 78 |
| | | \$462 78 | \$462 78 |

There is due from the State \$49.25 on account of Timothy Callahan and James Adams, State paupers.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|----------|---|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By appropriation | | \$1,800 00 |
| | To acct. set apart for special high'y | \$500 00 | |
| | To acct. 5% set apart for cutting bushes | 90 00 | |
| April 22 | To paid H. H. Lancaster, freight | 50 | |
| 30 | H. H. Lancaster, freight . . | 75 | |
| May 1 | Laurel Hughes, labor | 6 00 | |
| 8 | M. L. Blake, labor | 9 00 | |
| 8 | O. A. York, com. \$26.25, team \$23.75 | 50 00 | |
| 8 | J. W. Davis, team and man | 40 50 | |
| 8 | Dan Cameron, labor | 8 00 | |
| 8 | Aaron Hughes, labor | 6 00 | |
| 9 | Chas. Davis, labor | 9 00 | |
| 11 | John Nason, cutting bushes, Mattamiscontis road . . . | 100 00 | |
| 15 | Thomas Kimball, labor | 12 00 | |
| 15 | Ed. Cameron, labor | 18 00 | |
| 22 | O. A. York, team \$20.00, com. \$25.00 | 45 00 | |
| 22 | J. W. Davis, team and man | 26 25 | |
| 22 | Dan Cameron, labor | 11 00 | |
| 22 | Aaron Hughes, labor | 10 00 | |
| 22 | M. L. Blake, " " | 16 00 | |
| 22 | J. W. Davis, man and team | 3 00 | |
| 29 | Thomas Kimball, labor . . . | 14 50 | |
| June 2 | John McLaughlin, labor . . | 9 00 | |
| 2 | Thomas Kimball, labor . . . | 9 00 | |
| 5 | O. A. York, team \$23.75, com. \$24.37 | 48 12 | |
| 5 | M. L. Blake, labor | 17 00 | |
| 6 | Aaron Hughes, " " | 10 00 | |
| 8 | Dan Cameron, " " | 19 50 | |
| 9 | J. W. Davis, man and team | 33 75 | |
| 10 | Alex Nadeau | 12 00 | |

| | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
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| 1916 | | | |
| June | 12 | To paid Howland Pulp & Paper Co., coal ashes | \$ 2 80 |
| | 12 | George Chamberlain, labor | 10 00 |
| | 17 | Wm. Gulliver, labor | 17 00 |
| | 24 | Dan Cameron, labor | 18 00 |
| | 24 | O. A. York, team \$22.50 com. \$22.50 | 45 00 |
| | 24 | Aaron Hughes, labor | 2 00 |
| | 24 | J. W. Davis, man, team and labor | 13 45 |
| | 24 | M. L. Blake, labor | 14 00 |
| July | 3 | A. H. Weymouth Co., supplies | 7 32 |
| | 17 | O. A. York, team \$25.00, com. \$25.00 | 50 00 |
| | 17 | J. W. Davis, man and team | 4 50 |
| | 17 | Dan Cameron, labor | 10 00 |
| | 17 | M. L. Blake, labor | 10 00 |
| | 25 | Passadumkeag Lumber Co., lumber | 50 20 |
| | 25 | C. M. Conant, supplies | 15 75 |
| Aug. | 8 | Passadumkeag Lumber Co., lumber | 26 32 |
| | 17 | O. A. York, hauling lumber | 4 75 |
| | 17 | H. H. Lancaster, labor | 1 00 |
| | 17 | Ralph Emery | 60 |
| | 21 | Treas. of State, patrol road | 435 00 |
| Oct. | 17 | A. A. Eldridge, labor and supplies | 16 54 |
| Nov. | 8 | H. H. Lancaster, labor | 2 00 |
| | 14 | J. W. Davis, man and team | 45 50 |
| Dec. | 2 | Fred Runnells | 6 00 |
| 1917 | | | |
| Jan. | 18 | A. H. Weymouth Co., supplies | 1 35 |
| Feb. | 27 | By overlay | 98 61 |
| | 27 | By overdrawn | 19 64 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,918 25 | \$1,918 25 |

The amount contemplated at the annual meeting 1916 for "Patrol" work was, as we remember it \$250. But owing to our State aid road being on the "Trunk line" and, therefore coming under State road we were assessed on the basis of \$60 per mile, instead of \$30. per mile, as arranged for in the appropriation, "Highways and Bridges". This condition with a wet summer, caused a slight overdraw in this department.

We feel to thank Commissioner "York" for his effort to produce good results, with the limited amount at hand.

We shall be obliged to raise as much this year as last, and perhaps a slight increase would do no harm.

SPECIAL HIGHWAYS

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|--|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By amt. set apart acct. Highway and Bridges | | \$500 00 |
| July 1 | To paid L. E. Pettingill, labor . . . | \$22 50 | |
| 3 | O. A. York, team \$20.00, com. \$20.00 | 40 00 | |
| 3 | Dan Cameron, labor | 16 00 | |
| 3 | M. L. Blake, labor | 16 00 | |
| 3 | J. W. Davis, man and team labor | 36 00 | |
| 3 | Peter Havelock, labor | 4 00 | |
| 10 | Peter Havelock, " | 14 00 | |
| 17 | O. A. York, team \$10.00, self \$8.75, dynamite \$5.00 | 23 75 | |
| 17 | J. W. Davis, man and team | 18 00 | |
| 17 | Dan Cameron, labor | 9 00 | |
| 17 | M. L. Blake, labor | 8 00 | |
| June 12 | R. A. Faloon, contract price for cutting bushes, Sebois road | 280 00 | |
| Feb. 27 | To balance unexpended | 12 75 | |
| | | \$500 00 | \$500 00 |

Mr. R. A. Faloon cut the right of way on this piece of road doing a most excellent job; as soon as he had completed his contract, commissioner "York" went on to work his men and teams on the turnpiking, which was done in a manner very satisfactory to all concerned.

The bushes along this piece of road as well as all the other roads in town should be cut each year, while it is possible to cut them with a scythe, if allowed to stand, it is only a short time, before it is an expensive job to cut them, and during the intervening time they are a menace to good roads.

CUTTING BUSHES (Along Improved Land)

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|---|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By amt. set apart for highways and bridges..... | | \$90 00 |
| May 1 | To paid Laurel Hughes, labor | \$4 00 | |
| 8 | M. L. Blake, " | 9 00 | |
| 8 | O. A. York, " | 2 50 | |
| 8 | Dan Cameron, " | 14 00 | |
| 9 | Aaron Hughes, " | 14 00 | |
| 15 | Ed. Cameron, " | 2 00 | |
| 22 | Dan Cameron, " | 10 00 | |
| 22 | Aaron Hughes, " | 10 00 | |
| 22 | M. L. Blake, " | 4 00 | |
| 22 | John McLaughlin, " | 8 00 | |
| June 6 | Aaron Hughes, " | 7 00 | |
| Feb. 27 | To balance unexpended..... | 5 50 | |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$90 00 | \$90 00 |

CARE OF CEMETERY

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By appropriation | | \$50 00 |
| Aug. 24 | To paid Fred Runnells, mowing... | \$ 4 00 | |
| Feb. 27 | To unexpended..... | 46 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$50 00 | \$50 00 |

WINTER ROAD

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By appropriation | | \$50 00 |
| 15 | To paid Laurel Hughes, labor | \$ 3 20 | |
| April 1 | Foster Chamberlain, " | 9 00 | |
| 21 | H. A. Cummings, " | 1 80 | |
| June 28 | Gordon McKay, " | 27 00 | |
| 29 | S. W. Burke, " | 20 00 | |
| Dec. 23 | Alex Nadeau, " | 2 00 | |
| 1917 | | | |
| Jan. 5 | Will Sweat, " | 2 00 | |
| Feb. 19 | Foster Chamberlain, " | 2 25 | |
| 19 | R. Q. Lancaster, " | 6 75 | |
| 19 | F. M. Weymouth, " | 9 00 | |
| 19 | Geo. Mills, " | 3 00 | |
| 19 | H. H. Lancaster, " | 3 38 | |
| 19 | Alex Nadeau, " | 1 00 | |
| Feb. 27 | By overdrawn | | 40 38 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$90 38 | \$90 38 |

We would recommend \$150 for this purpose for the ensuing year.

INCIDENTALS

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|---|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By appropriation | | \$1,000 00 |
| 13 | To paid H. C. Scott, services 1st selectman and expenses . | \$108 89 | |
| 13 | H. C. Scott, services town clerk and expenses. | 26 00 | |
| 13 | J. W. Davis, services 2nd selectman. | 50 00 | |
| 13 | H. H. Lancaster, services 3rd selectman. | 35 00 | |
| 13 | Alice M. Hopkins, services supt. of schools | 47 50 | |

| 1916 | | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|-------|----|---|------------|------------|
| Mar. | 13 | To paid Fred M. Weymouth, services treasurer | \$ 50 00 | |
| | 13 | R. A. Faloon, truant officer | 1 50 | |
| | 13 | R. Q. Lancaster, health officer and moderator . . . | 10 00 | |
| | 13 | H. H. Lancaster, rent of hall | 3 00 | |
| | 21 | H. C. Scott, telephoning and team (school) | 1 46 | |
| May | 13 | H. S. Libby, supt. schools . . | 6 25 | |
| June | 13 | Frank Pettingill, rebate on taxes | 63 | |
| | 20 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 9 38 | |
| | 20 | R. Q. Lancaster, ballot clerk | 2 00 | |
| | 20 | O. C. Sweat, ballot clerk . . . | 2 00 | |
| | 20 | Chas. Lowell, ballot clerk . . | 2 00 | |
| | 20 | R. A. Faloon, ballot clerk . . | 2 00 | |
| | 20 | D. G. Faloon, ballot clerk . . | 2 00 | |
| | 20 | H. H. Lancaster, hall rent and booths | 5 00 | |
| July | 6 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 3 12 | |
| | 25 | Ryder & Simpson, legal advise | 9 00 | |
| | 25 | E. F. Dillingham, books, etc. | 12 80 | |
| | 25 | The T. W. Burr Ptg. Co., town reports | 34 00 | |
| | 31 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 6 25 | |
| Aug. | 21 | Fred M. Weymouth, int. on loan | 12 75 | |
| Sept. | 5 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 6 25 | |
| | 15 | O. C. Sweat, ballot clerk . . . | 2 00 | |
| | 15 | R. Q. Lancaster, ballot clerk | 2 00 | |
| | 15 | R. A. Faloon, ballot clerk . . | 2 00 | |
| | 15 | D. G. Faloon, ballot clerk . . | 2 00 | |
| | 15 | Chas. Lowell, ballot clerk . . | 2 00 | |
| Oct. | 2 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 6 25 | |
| | 24 | S. N. Marsh, attending school | 1 00 | |
| Nov. | 2 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 6 25 | |

| | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|----------|--|------------|------------|
| 1916 | | | |
| Nov. 8 | To paid O. C. Sweat, ballot clerk. . . | \$ 2 00 | |
| 8 | R. Q. Lancaster, ballot clerk | 2 00 | |
| 8 | R. A. Faloon, ballot clerk | 2 00 | |
| 8 | D. G. Faloon, ballot clerk | 2 00 | |
| 8 | Chas. Lowell, ballot clerk. | 2 00 | |
| 8 | H. H. Lancaster, hall rent. | 5 00 | |
| 8 | H. H. Lancaster, hall rent, Sept. | 3 00 | |
| Dec. 20 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 6 25 | |
| 1917 | | | |
| Jan. 5 | H. S. Libby, supt. of schools | 6 25 | |
| 22 | R. Q. Lancaster, fire- inspector. | 49 20 | |
| 1916 | | | |
| July 25 | O. C. Sweat, ballot clerk. . . | 2 00 | |
| 25 | R. H. Faloon, ballot clerk. . | 2 00 | |
| 25 | R. Q. Lancaster, ballot clerk | 2 00 | |
| 25 | H. H. Lancaster, hall rent. | 3 00 | |
| Oct. 25 | V. R. Nason, lumber. | 8 18 | |
| Feb. 2 | A. A. Eldridge, pole for hearse | 5 00 | |
| 5 | H. S. Libby, supt. service. | 6 25 | |
| 7 | Carl H. Lord, sealing weights and measures | 2 00 | |
| 9 | O. C. Sweat, discounts, abatements and commis- sion, "transportations" . . | 455 72 | |
| 1916 | | | |
| Sept. 27 | By interest at Bank | | 2 57 |
| Oct. 28 | interest at Bank | | 1 69 |
| Nov. 27 | interest at Bank | | 1 09 |
| Dec. 29 | dog license refund. | | 9 06 |
| 29 | R. R. and telephone tax. | | 4 50 |
| 1917 | | | |
| Feb. 3 | interest on tax Northern Mfg. Co. 1915 tax. | | 21 29 |
| Jan. 10 | interest at bank. | | 33 |
| Feb. 19 | paid L. P. Carver, stage fare. . . . | 35 | |

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|---------|---|------------|------------|
| Feb. 19 | By paid L. P. Carver, reporting births and deaths..... | \$ 3 50 | |
| 26 | F. M. Weymouth, treasurer abatement Maud Pills- bury's tax, 1915..... | 13 52 | |
| 26 | H. S. Libby, supt. services. | 6 25 | |
| 27 | J. W. Davis, expense to Bangor, team hire | 6 00 | |
| 27 | By overdrawn | | 25 98 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,066 51 | \$1,066 51 |

STATE AID ROAD

| 1916 | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---------|--|------------|------------|
| Mar. 13 | By appropriation..... | | \$533 00 |
| May 29 | To paid Wesley Carey | \$ 5 00 | |
| June 1 | H. H. Lancaster, trucking. | 1 00 | |
| 5 | Wesley Carey, balance cutting bushes..... | 40 00 | |
| 29 | R. Royal, labor..... | 12 60 | |
| 29 | H. H. Lancaster, hauling cement..... | 1 75 | |
| July 1 | Chas. Bridges, labor..... | 4 70 | |
| 3 | R. Royal, labor..... | 7 40 | |
| 3 | Harry Thompson, team, and labor | 17 25 | |
| 3 | A. H. Weymouth Co., supplies..... | 69 24 | |
| 3 | Wm Hughes, labor | 30 60 | |
| 3 | F. H. Davis, " | 58 40 | |
| 4 | Andrew Carey, " | 30 40 | |
| 4 | R. Haskell, " | 4 65 | |
| 4 | Wesley Carey, " | 14 30 | |
| 10 | S. Robbins, " | 27 00 | |
| 12 | R. Royal, " | 3 60 | |
| 15 | John Henderson, " | 3 60 | |
| 17 | S. Robbins, supplies 70c, labor..... | 21 70 | |

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| July | 17 | To paid Wesley Carey, self and team and labor | \$14 | 47 |
| | 17 | R. Haskell, labor | 6 | 88 |
| | 17 | Henry Carey, " | 4 | 40 |
| | 17 | F. H. Davis, " | 30 | 40 |
| | 17 | R. Haskell, " | 10 | 40 |
| | 17 | Joseph Haskell, " | 5 | 40 |
| | 17 | Andrew Carey, " | 9 | 80 |
| | 19 | John McLaughlin, \$31.80, Geo. Thompson, \$14.20, labor | | 46 00 |
| | 21 | Len Carey, labor | 24 | 40 |
| | 21 | Lee Moulton, " | 17 | 20 |
| | 21 | Robert Moulton, team, " | 13 | 75 |
| | 25 | Berger Mfg. Co., culverts . . | 94 | 64 |
| | 25 | A. H. Weymouth Co., supplies | 26 | 78 |
| Aug. | 2 | W. L. Hughes, labor | 10 | 35 |
| | 2 | Guy Weatherbee Co., dynamite | 50 | 15 |
| | 5 | P. W. Bailey, team, " | 40 | 25 |
| Sept. | 9 | Lee Moulton, " | 6 | 30 |
| | 11 | Ira Gassett, " | 12 | 30 |
| | 12 | George Lancaster, " | 13 | 05 |
| | 14 | Arthur Levelle, " | 17 | 40 |
| | 14 | Eugene Levelle, " | 18 | 15 |
| | 15 | Ike Casey, " | 21 | 75 |
| | 15 | J. W. Davis, team, " | 36 | 25 |
| | 15 | S. Robbins, " | 27 | 00 |
| | 15 | F. H. Davis, " | 49 | 50 |
| | 16 | Len Carey, " | 20 | 25 |
| | 16 | R. Haskell, " | 1 | 50 |
| | 19 | A. Stevens, vegetables | 3 | 00 |
| | 23 | Robert Moulton, labor and supplies | 44 | 33 |
| | 29 | A. H. Weymouth Co., supplies | 41 | 30 |

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| Oct. 10 | Guy Weatherbee Co., supplies..... | | \$ 2 88 | |
| 31 | E. Sawyer, Jr., team and man, labor..... | | 40 00 | |
| Nov. 24 | E. Sawyer, Jr., rent of house | | 15 00 | |
| Dec. 22 | By check from State | | | 515 00 |
| Feb. 27 | By overdrawn..... | | | 80 42 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | | \$1,128 42 | \$1,128 42 |

The State aid road was built by Commissioner F. H. Davis, and his efforts need no words of praise from us, as the quality and quantity of the road constructed speaks for itself.

Yet we do feel to thank him for his efforts and hearty co-operation with the Inspector and the Selectmen.

O. C. SWEAT, Collector of Taxes

| 1916 | | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|----------|-------------------------------|--|------------|------------|
| April 10 | To commitment | | \$7,456 75 | |
| | To supplemental..... | | 8 75 | |
| May 8 | By cash and orders No. 1..... | | | \$ 20 00 |
| 16 | “ “ “ 2..... | | | 40 00 |
| 22 | “ “ “ 3..... | | | 40 00 |
| 25 | “ “ “ 4..... | | | 484 97 |
| June 5 | “ “ “ 5..... | | | 53 00 |
| 7 | “ “ “ 6..... | | | 31 47 |
| 17 | “ “ “ 7..... | | | 281 98 |
| 23 | “ “ “ 8..... | | | 110 00 |
| 28 | “ “ “ 9..... | | | 185 79 |
| 30 | “ “ “ 10..... | | | 3,097 60 |
| July 1 | “ “ “ 11..... | | | 991 77 |
| 1 | “ “ “ 12..... | | | 137 47 |
| 1 | “ “ “ 13..... | | | 70 06 |

Amount collected to July 1st \$5,544 11

Discount at 5%..... 05

\$277 2055

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|---------|---|------------|------------|
| July 10 | To supplemental tax Jennie Derosh | 16 25 | |
| Aug. 19 | By cash and orders No. 14 | | \$ 50 00 |
| Sept. 2 | “ “ “ 15 | | 40 00 |
| Oct. 7 | “ “ “ 16 | | 67 00 |
| 27 | “ “ “ 17 | | 241 00 |
| Nov. 10 | “ “ “ 18 | | 75 00 |
| 18 | “ “ “ 19 | | 40 00 |
| 20 | “ “ “ 20 | | 61 95 |
| 21 | “ “ “ 21 | | 89 38 |
| 22 | “ “ “ 22 | | 115 00 |
| Dec. 5 | “ “ “ 23 | | 122 90 |
| 9 | “ “ “ 24 | | 227 00 |
| 19 | “ “ “ 25 | | 50 00 |
| Feb. 9 | By tax deed Northern Mfg. Co. \$234.25 | | |
| | By tax deed, Maud Pillsbury 34.75 | | |
| | ————— 26 | | |
| | \$269 00 | | 269 00 |
| 9 | Discounts \$277.20 | | |
| | Commissions 143.39 | | |
| | Abatements 35.13 | | |
| | ————— 27 | | |
| | \$455 72 | | 455 72 |
| 10 | Cash to balance | | 33 69 |
| | | ————— | ————— |
| | | \$7,481 75 | \$7,481 75 |

We deducted the discounts and abatements from the commitment and computed the commission on the balance at 2%.

This is to make it plain to those who do not understand about the "System" of computation.

R. A. FALOON (Sebois Right-of-way)

| 1916 | | | <i>Dr.</i> | <i>Cr.</i> |
|------|----|---|------------|------------|
| | | By contract price for work | | \$280 00 |
| May | 20 | To paid Bert Casey, labor | \$12 00 | |
| | 22 | Josiah Pettingill, “ | 30 00 | |
| | 29 | Guy Boynton, “ | 22 00 | |
| June | 1 | Bert Casey, “ | 20 00 | |
| | 9 | Bert Casey order to Dr. Hammond, labor | 4 00 | |
| | 12 | R. A. Faloon, balance on contract | 192 00 | |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | | \$280 00 | \$280 00 |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FEB. 27, 1917

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Cash on hand and in Bank including | | | | |
| | Tax deed Northern Mfg. Co. | \$234.25 | | |
| | Tax deed Maud Pillsbury | 34.75 | | |
| | | <hr/> | \$269 00 | \$603 37 |

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|---|--|--|--|-------|
| Due from State on acct. of State paupers, Timothy Callahan and James Adams | | | | 49 25 |
|---|--|--|--|-------|

Dr.

| | | | | |
|--|--|----------|----------|----------|
| To outstanding school orders | | \$168 00 | | |
| To outstanding order No. 449 | | 60 | | |
| Assets over liabilities | | 484 02 | | |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | | \$652 62 | \$652 62 |

"The Country is Safe!"

Report of Treasurer

OF HOWLAND FOR YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 27, 1917

Dr.

| | | |
|---|-----------|-------------|
| Balance on hand, Feb. 28, 1916..... | \$ 838 46 | |
| Town orders of selectmen for loan..... | 1,000 00 | |
| Interest at bank..... | 5 68 | |
| Dog license of town clerk..... | 12 00 | |
| Check of State Treas., improvement State road..... | 515 00 | |
| Dog license refunded..... | 9 06 | |
| School fund and mill tax..... | 532 35 | |
| Common school fund..... | 495 92 | |
| R. R. and telephone tax..... | 4 50 | |
| Free high schools..... | 170 67 | |
| Interest on Northern Mfg. Co. tax deed..... | 21 29 | |
| Rebate from Bangor Hospital..... | 41 00 | |
| Turned over by O. C. Sweat, tax col- lector..... | 7,481 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$11,127 68 |

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|--|----------|----------------|
| Sent State Treasurer, dog license | \$ 12 00 | |
| Paid County tax | 386 67 | |
| Paid State tax | 1,488 47 | |
| Rebate on Mrs. Maud Pillsbury's 1915 tax deed | 13 52 | |
| Orders cashed and turned over to selectmen | 8,623 65 | |
| | <hr/> | 10,524 31 |
| Balance in treasury, Feb. 27, 1917. | | <hr/> \$603 37 |

FRED M. WEYMOUTH,
Treasurer.

Superintendent of Schools' Report

To the Superintending School Committee:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit this annual report of the condition and progress of the schools of Howland.

TEACHERS

Last June Mr. Nadeau, teacher of grades five and six, resigned so as to take a course at business college. Mrs. Kinney, teacher of grades one and two, resigned because of home duties. Miss Pendleton teacher of grades three and four, resigned to accept a position at Rumford, Maine.

The teachers chosen to fill these vacancies were Miss Grace Gilkey, grades five and six; Miss Albra L. Foss, grades three and four; Miss Anzelia Harriman, grades one and two. These teachers are all normal school graduates and have had experience. For exact training and experience look at table at the close of this report.

Mr. Simoneau, principal and teacher of grades seven, eight and nine, last year, is with us this year and is doing very good work.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS

Several teachers' meetings have been held during the year. At these meetings different features of our school work were discussed by the teachers and superintendent.

Plans are being made to have some of the best school men in the State speak to the teachers of this district during the spring months. These talks, as planned, are to be very practical and should be very helpful to the teachers and superintendent.

TEACHERS' LIBRARY

A Teachers' Special Traveling Library composed of books on education, has been secured from the State Librarian. These books are being read by the teachers. The teachers, at teachers' meetings, are to give reports on the books that they have read. In this way each teacher reads at least one good book on education and hears reports on several others.

MUSIC AND DRAWING

Miss Anzelia Harriman besides teaching grades one and two, teaches music in all the grades, and drawing in all of the grades except seven, eight and nine where Mr. Simoneau teaches the drawing.

The results that are being obtained in these branches are very satisfactory.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' AGRICULTURAL CLUBS

Although work in agriculture is not, perhaps, primarily the work of the public school, the development of boys and girls, is. Agricultural club work is closely allied to the work of the public schools and we hope to start some agricultural clubs this spring.

Clubs for boys are,—corn clubs, potato clubs pig clubs and poultry clubs. Clubs for girls are,—gardening clubs and canning clubs.

We hope to have an opportunity to thoroughly explain this work to the parents at a meeting that we plan to hold in Howland early in the spring.

TOILETS

The school toilets are about forty-five yards from the entrance to the school building. Even though these toilets are cleaned out at least twice a year it is practically impossible to keep them in a sanitary condition. In the summer time they are full of flies and other germ carriers. These germ carriers are a constant menace to the school children and to the homes in the neighborhood.

We have seen children going to the toilet in all kinds of weather,—when it is fair, when it is raining, when it is snowing and when it is

extremely cold, but we have never seen them put on their wraps, no matter what they may have been told at home.

It is obvious that toilets in the school building would be much better. They they would always be warm and they would be readily accessible to the children.

We would suggest that chemical closets be installed. Two chemical closets for the girls could be placed in the closet under the stairs, on the first floor. The chemical tanks could be placed in the basement directly underneath the closets. Two chemical closets for the boys could be placed in the basement, on inexpensive platforms built over chemical tanks.

The cost of installing four chemical closets would be about two hundred and fifty dollars.

HIGH SCHOOL

We would like to see more of our boys and girls going to high school. We realize that it is very expensive where there is no high school in town, but the old saying, "Where there's a will there's a way" is certainly true.

We have in mind a boy who graduated from Howland grammar school last year. This year he is attending Enfield high school and doing splendid work. He can attend Enfield high school two years and by that time he will be old enough so that his parents will be willing to let him go away somewhere for the last two years of his high school course. This boy is taking advantage of the opportunities that are right at home.

Most children are too young to be sent away from home when they graduate from grammar school, and by the time they are old enough to be sent away they have lost their interest in school. It seems to us as though one duty of parents is to stimulate and arouse ambition just as much as possible.

A good many school systems, at the present time, are organized as follows;—elementary school, the first six grades; junior high school, grades seven and eight and the first year of the regular high school; senior high school, sophomore, junior and senior years of the regular high school. This method of organization is beyond the experimental stage, moreover, it has been extremely successful wherever it has been tried.

A junior high school could be organized in Howland very easily. The principal, Mr. Simoneau, could teach grades eight and nine and also teach first year high school work. The children would be promoted by subject rather than by grade. Of course a junior high school will not be organized until there are enough pupils who want first year high school work, to make the plan feasible. We have had the plan in mind and, as we stated before, it would work out splendidly in Howland.

INDUSTRIAL WORK

We have done a little industrial work along with our academic work but have been handicapped on account of lack of funds. We hope to do a little more along this line this coming year.

We wish that the citizens of Howland could see somethings we have seen this year,—large boys in the sixth grade staying in at recess in order to create something that they are interested in, and something that no allowance is made for during the regular school hours.

The credit for this work belongs entirely to the teachers whose resourcefulness enabled them to overcome all difficulties.

At the Eastern Penobscot County Teachers' Convention which was held at Lincoln, Friday, Feb. 16, the industrial work, exhibited by the Howland schools, incited much favorable comment.

HOWLAND TEACHING FORCE

| Name | Grades | Where Educated | *Experience | Weekly Salary |
|------------------|------------|--|-----------------------|---------------|
| E. A. Simoneau | 7, 8 and 9 | Central College (B. A.) Oskalossa (M. A.) | 4 $\frac{2}{3}$ years | \$15.00 |
| Grace Gilkey | 5 and 6 | Castine Normal School | 10 “ | 12.00 |
| Albra L. Foss | 3 and 4 | Farmington Normal School | 1 “ | 12.00 |
| Anzelia Harriman | 1 and 2 | Castine Normal School | 5 “ | 12.00 |

*Previous to September 1, 1916.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Balance 1915..... | \$ 28 79 | |
| Common school fund from State | 495 92 | |
| School mill fund from State | 532 35 | |
| Town appropriation..... | 1,500 00 | |
| | | |
| Total receipts..... | | \$2,557 06 |

EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Ayers, Chas., unloading coal..... | \$ 16 00 | |
| Boober, Harry, unloading coal..... | 4 00 | |
| Carver, L. P., fuel..... | 11 05 | |
| Chamberlain, Foster, hauling wood..... | 75 | |
| Dugan, Cecil, boarding pupil | 15 00 | |
| Foss, Albra L., teaching..... | 288 00 | |
| Gilkey, Grace L., teaching..... | 288 00 | |
| Harriman, Anzelia, teaching..... | 288 00 | |
| Kinney, Lila, teaching..... | 144 00 | |
| Kinney, C. A., transportation..... | 174 00 | |
| M. C. R. R., freight on coal..... | 25 03 | |
| Nadeau, William, teaching | 144 00 | |
| Nason, V. R. & Son, fuel..... | 18 00 | |
| Pendleton, M. Helen, teaching..... | 144 00 | |
| Simoneau, E. A. teaching | 540 00 | |
| Simoneau, E. A., janitor | 180 00 | |
| Stickney & Babcock, coal..... | 182 48 | |
| | | |
| | | 2,462 31 |
| | | |
| Balance unexpended..... | | \$94 75 |

FREE HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance 1915..... | \$251 49 | |
| State aid..... | 170 67 | |
| Appropriation..... | 100 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total receipts..... | | \$522 16 |

EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| E. M. C. Seminary..... | \$ 62 00 | |
| Enfield..... | 34 00 | |
| Hebron Academy..... | 60 00 | |
| Higgins Classical Institute..... | 10 00 | |
| Maine Central Institute..... | 26 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total..... | | 192 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance unexpended..... | | \$330 16 |

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Appropriation..... | \$50 00 |
|--------------------|---------|

EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------|
| Babb, E. E. & Co..... | \$ 9 04 | |
| Cable Co..... | 1 13 | |
| *Libby, H. S..... | 1 66 | |
| Sanborn, Benj. H. & Co..... | 25 42 | |
| Silver, Burdett & Co..... | 12 72 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total..... | | 49 97 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance unexpended..... | | \$ 03 |

*Cash paid out for freight and express.

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
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EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|---|---------|--------|
| Babb, E. E. & Co., supplies | \$43 34 | |
| Blanchard, Mrs. Elsie, cleaning | 15 00 | |
| Burgoyne, Louis, labor | 2 70 | |
| Eldridge, A. A. supplies | 3 04 | |
| Globe Printing Co., supplies | 2 00 | |
| Hammett, J. L. & Co., supplies | 2 62 | |
| Howard & Brown, diplomas | 5 87 | |
| Libby, H. S., paid for freight and drayage . . | 3 14 | |
| Libby, H. S., postage | 1 24 | |
| Moran, B. F., cleaning | 1 50 | |
| Morrill, A. E., supplies | 2 27 | |
| Pettengill, Frank, labor | 70 | |
| Simoneau, E. A., labor | 6 90 | |
| Smith, L. C. & Bros., 3-16 of cost of type- writer | 9 84 | |
| Sullivan, Dan T., supplies | 2 10 | |
| Weatherbee, Guy & Co., repairs | 5 30 | |
| Weymouth, A. H. & Co., supplies | 1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | 108 56 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Overdraw | | \$8 56 |

SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$75 00 |
|-------------------------|---------|

EXPENDITURES

| | |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Libby, H. S. | 68 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| Balance unexpended | \$6 25 |

RECOMMENDATIONS

The following appropriations are recommended for the ensuing year:—

| | |
|--|------------|
| Common schools | \$1,600 00 |
| Text-books | 100 00 |
| Repairs and supplies | 200 00 |
| Superintendence | 112 50 |
| *Appropriation to cover expense of installing chemical closets | 250 00 |

*To be credited to the Repair Account.

The balance in the Free High School Account is large enough so that we consider it unnecessary to raise money for that account this year.

We feel that we cannot close this report without expressing our appreciation of the splendid work that has been done by your former superintendent, Mrs. Hopkins. The course of study, the equipment of the school, the text-books and everything gives evidence of the loyal and efficient service that was given by her.

We wish to thank the superintending school committee for help and advice, the teachers for their loyal and efficient service, and everyone,—school committee, teachers, parents and pupils for co-operating with us so cordially.

Respectfully submitted,

HERSCHEL S. LIBBY,
Superintendent of Schools.