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ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, AND SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

OF THE TOWN OF

ISLESBORO,

— FOR THE —

Municipal Year Ending March 4th,

1905.

BELFAST, MAINE.
W. F. LANGILL, PRINTING COMPANY,
1905.

Report of Selectmen.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF ISLESBORO:

The following is the condition of your town and the report of the transactions of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the year ending March 4, 1905.

VALUATION OF PROPERTY APRIL 1,

Real estate of residents	\$180,704 00
Personal estate of residents	65,540 24
Real estate of non-residents	576,371 00
Personal estate of non-residents	4,508 00
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Total	\$827,123 24

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS, MADE MARCH 7, 1904.

For town charges	\$1,500 00
repairs of roads and bridges	2,400 00
continuing state road	400 00
repairs of sidewalks	250 00
the increase and maintenance of the Free Library	250 00
the completion of sewer	750 00
the support of the poor	400 00
the maintenance of schools	1,000 00
the purchase of text books	100 00
to pay for the tuition of pupils	125 00
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	\$7,175 00

The State tax was	\$2,007 45	
County tax was	758 33	
overlays was	210 70	
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		\$2,976 48
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Total		\$10,151 48

ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR

On real estate of residents	\$2,168 45	
personal estate of residents	786 48	
real estate of non-residents	6,916 45	
personal estate of non-residents	54 10	
226 polls at \$1.00 each	226 00	
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Total		\$10,151 48
Rate of taxation .012.		

TOWN CHARGES.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$1,500 00	
Add overlays	210 70	
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Total		\$1,710 70

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid W. F. Langill Printing Co. for print- ing town report of 1903	\$25 50
G. D. McCrillis for abstracts	8 50
Loring, Short & Harmon for book and blanks	8 63
Lewis for blacksmith work	14 15

J. P. Bragg for horse hire for school superintendent	\$ 3 00
F. W. Adams for sheep and lambs destroyed by dogs	48 00
M. R. Trim for sheep destroyed by dogs	30 00
F. S. Pendleton for supplies furnished schools and cash paid for clean-school houses	23 92
W. H. Coombs for sheep destroyed by dogs	3 00
Field & Quimby for insurance on Town Hall	123 60
Sprague & Pendleton for labor painting Town Hall	46 74
Mabelle S. Boardman for cleaning school house	1 58
J. A. Sprague for cash paid, to be sent to Acre Island	2 00
R. F. Dunton for legal service	12 00
Grace E. Burgess for printing sewer assessments	2 75
Town Clerk for cash paid for returns of births	5 25
Inez M. Pendleton, Superintendent's expenses	4 98
A. H. Parker for school supplies	3 10
F. S. Pendleton for supplies furnished Town Hall	36 05
Austin Trim for cash expenses as selectman	8 75
L. N. Gilkey for surveying for town way and cash paid for cleaning school houses	9 70
W. S. Pendleton for supplies for Town Hall	4 76
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	\$425 96

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

Paid Hatch & Weymouth for labor and material	\$ 31 67	
W. S. Pendleton for material	12 60	
Sprague & Pendleton for material and labor	119 25	
J. A. Sprague for labor	15 50	
F. S. Pendleton & Co. for material	3 92	
O. F. Scott for labor	2 60	
	<hr/>	\$185 54

SNOW BILLS.

Paid J. C. Coombs,	for labor	\$ 2 30
G. H. Robertson,	"	16 30
Walter Decker,	"	9 50
Wm. A. Coombs,	"	2 20
Wm. F. Keller,	"	5 30
J. C. Beckett,	"	1 90
E. S. Preble,	"	10 00
J. H. McFarland,	"	8 15
Herbert McFarland,	"	8 01
D. E. Carver,	"	4 70
Dallis Collins,	"	2 40
Geo. F. Keller,	"	5 30
Wilbur Fairfield,	"	2 80
Geo. K. Willey,	"	15 31
Geo. W. Robertson,	"	7 12
John Yeaton,	"	5 20
F. S. Pendleton & Co.,	for snow bill	119 26
Jason Ladd,	for labor	5 20
W. H. Boardman,	"	6 00
C. E. Quimby,	"	1 20
John Fairfield,	"	1 20
E. J. Clark,	"	2 66
Joseph W. Clark,	"	8 44

L. N. Gilkey, for snow bills,	\$94 10	
Geo. Wellens, for labor	2 20	
L. T. Fairfield, "	3 20	
D. A. Warren, "	5 08	
J. P. Bragg, "	60	
F. W. Sprague, "	3 54	
Wm. Ladd, "	6 16	
Frank Ladd, "	4 84	
Rawson Warren, "	1 30	
E. G. Pendleton, "	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$374 47

PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid D. A. Warren, for services as moderator	\$ 4 00
Austin Trim, for services as selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	160 00
W. S. Pendleton, for services as selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	50 00
J. A. Sprague, for services as selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	50 00
A. H. Parker, for services as treasurer	60 00
J. P. Bragg, for services as clerk	35 00
E. L. Sprague, for services as constable	7 00
D. A. Warren, for services as election and ballot clerk	4 00
O. T. Scott, for services as election and ballot clerk	4 00
D. M. Pendleton, for services as election clerk	4 00
E. A. Eames, for services as election clerk	4 00

L. N. Gilkey, for commission collect- ing taxes, bills of 1903	\$37 50	
L. N. Gilkey, for commission collect- ing taxes, bills of 1904	225 00	
Z. J. Williams, for services as super- intendent of schools	30 00	
Inez M. Pendleton, for services as superintendent of schools,	44 00	
Wm. B. Pendleton, for services as janitor of Town Hall	15 00	
J. A. Sprague, services as health officer	2 48	
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ABATEMENTS.

ON BILLS OF 1903.

Paid Ellis L. Coombs	\$ 1 44	
T. J. Decker	1 50	
Ellen Fairfield	1 80	
F. Stuart Grindle	1 50	
L. W. Haynes	2 65	
C. P. Hildreph	1 50	
G. W. McIntire	1 50	
T. Z. McIntire	1 50	
Laura J. Scott	2 70	
J. I. Small	3 06	
E. B. Williams	1 50	
Prudence Williams,	1 60	
John Field	60	
Knowlton & Haynes	1 80	
	<hr/>	\$24 65
Total		<hr/> \$1,746 60
Amount overdrawn		<hr/> \$35 90

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation

\$2,400 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Geo. F Keller,	for labor	\$61 70
J. H. McFarland,	"	21 40
F. W. Adams,	"	3 40
W. W. Haynes.	"	73 22
Geo. Rolerson,	"	59 76
Jos. W. Clark,	"	24 40
Clifford Pendleton,	"	8 22
E. S. Preble,	"	238 12
Fred Patterson,	"	88 00
Frank Boardman,	"	7 44
R. N. Pendleton,	"	442 33
F. K. Pendleton,	"	81 00
M. E. Boardman,	"	42 00
Wm. P. Farnsworth,	"	2 35
Rawson Warren,	"	35 22
Wm. A. Coombs,	"	11 00
Malcomb Farrow	"	31 54
Edward Parker,	"	43 74
E. E. Pendleton,	"	38 20
M. Z. Dodge,	"	12 22
Leslie Pendleton,	"	28 20
W. S. Pendleton, lumber for bridges,		81 53
Judson Dodge,	for labor	38 22
Jacob Fairfield,	"	18 00
L. T. Fairfield,	"	42 66
I. E. Pendleton,	"	70 64
Geo. K. Willey,	"	50 00
Abram Dodge,	"	28 44
H. J. Randlett,	"	70 00
J. O. Pendleton,	"	10 22

John Pendleton,	"	\$ 30 22
Marion Pendleton,	"	10 00
D. A. Warren,	"	32 50
Geo. L. Pendleton,	"	24 00
Melvin Flanders,	"	22 44
Frank Flanders,	"	18 22
M. A. Bowden,	"	5 00
J. O. Elwell,	"	70 00
J. P. Bragg,	"	67 00
J. B. Adams,	for logs	6 00
Melvin Dodge,	for labor	14 00
D. L. Pendleton,	"	2 40
H. A. Babbidge,	for logs	4 50
A. Decker,	for labor	12 40
B. F. Williams,	"	4 00
James Richards,	for logs	1 00
W. J. Dodge,	for labor	10 22
F. S. Pendleton & Co., for dynamite exploders, nails, etc.,		44 83
M. R. Trim,	for labor	1 00
L. W. Wyman,	"	1 54
Austin Trim	"	4 50
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Total,		\$2,148 94
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Unexpended balance,		\$251 06

STATE ROAD.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$400 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Paid I. E. Pendleton,	for labor	\$30 22
George H. Clements,	"	14 00
D. L. Pendleton,	"	9 77

Judson Dodge,	for labor	\$ 6 44	
R. N. Pendleton,	"	88 44	
W. J. Dodge,	"	18 00	
J. O. Pendleton,	"	15 00	
M. Z. Dodge,	"	18 44	
John Pendleton,	"	14 44	
Harold Pendleton,	"	6 00	
D. A. Warren,	"	44 66	
W. W. Haynes,	"	16 66	
Melvin Flanders,	"	6 00	
Frank Flanders,	"	17 00	
J. O. Elwell,	"	42 00	
Geo. F. Williams,	for rocks,	10 00	
C. H. Dodge,	"	30 00	
W. S. Pendleton,	for gravel	20 00	
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Total			\$ 407 07
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Amount overdrawn			\$7 07

SIDEWALKS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$250 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Paid C. H. Cobb,	for labor	\$ 7 03	
J. O. Pendleton,	"	37 88	
John Pendleton,	"	4 00	
P. G. Pendleton,	"	35 00	
Hatch & Weymouth,	for labor and material,	54 50	
L. K. Pendleton,	for labor	4 30	
J. A. Sprague,	"	5 20	
J. P. Bragg,	"	2 00	
W. S. Pendleton,	for lumber	179 69	
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Total			\$ 329 60
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Amount overdrawn			\$ 79 60

FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year's account	\$ 10 80	
Received from the State and in treasurer's hands March 7, 1904,	40 00	
Appropriation	250 00	
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Total		\$300 80

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon for books	\$84 88	
Wright & Hall, for appliances	1 50	
Library bureau, appliances	8 90	
W. F. Langill, for printing	12 00	
A. L. Pendleton, sundry expenses	9 35	
Agnes Williams, for assisting librarian	2 45	
Isabelle Coombs, " "	7 00	
E. B. Pendleton, " "	8 40	
Frederick LaLoeser,	100 64	
W. Byard, for making book case	1 40	
F. S. Pendleton & Co., for appliances	1 78	
F. C. Pendleton, for rent	24 00	
W. S. Pendleton, for wood	2 00	
Mrs. A. H. Parker, assisting librarian	5 00	
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Total		\$ 269 30
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Unexpended balance		\$ 31 50

SEWER.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year's account	\$ 71 30	
Appropriation	750 00	
Amount assessed on lots benefitted	730 50	
Surplus land sold to town of Castine	47 85	
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		\$1,599 65

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Clifford Pendleton,	for labor	\$ 27 21
Augustus Engstrom,	"	44 44
W. M. Samll,	"	32 71
Leslie Pendleton,	"	11 12
Stanley Randlett,	"	47 65
Frank Boardman,	"	23 00
Freeman Pendleton,	"	22 00
Mark G. Blake,	"	5 65
Edwin Hatch,	"	76 20
Fred Patterson,	"	23 11
Walter O. Hall,	"	6 06
Justin Pendleton,	"	61 93
J. A. Sprague,	"	89 00
H. A. Babbidge,	"	38 25
F. O. Clark,	"	23 73
Marion Pendleton,	"	78 77
J. O. Pendleton,	"	2 00
J. T. Fairfield,	"	2 00
H. P. Farrow, for services as engineer and superintending the construc- tion,		258 00
Geo. H. Wilbur, for sewer pipe and other material,		167 30
N. W. Tilden, for blacksmith work,		1 69
I. M. Cottrell, (diver) for laying outlet pipe,		56 00
W. S. Pendleton, for lumber,		27 19
J. C. Durham, for saddles,		5 25
D. A. Warren, for trucking,		9 30
Nahum Pendleton, for use of vessel and service of crew, laying out- let pipe,		280 00
A. M. Devereaux, for use of lead fur- nace and of tools,		15 00

F. A. Lee, for mason work and material,	\$ 47 30	
Hatch & Weymouth, for carpenter work and material,	46 61	
W. H. Boardman, for dunnage for blasting purposes,	2 00	
N. S. Lord, for old canvas,	2 12	
Belfast Fuel & Hay Co., for charcoal,	2 05	
A. M. Wilbur, for trucking,	3 50	
P. G. Pendleton, taking scow to Belfast,	2 50	
F. C. Pendleton, for use of scow,	10 00	
J. A. Sprague, for cash paid for freight	85	
John A. Dodge, for trucking,	1 68	
Forest Hatch, for care of lanterns,	6 00	
John Pendleton, for trucking,	2 25	
F. S. Pendleton & Co., for supplies,	27 57	
		\$1,588 99
Balance		\$ 10 66
Total cost		\$4,969 84

SUPPORT OF POOR.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$400 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Paid E. J. Dodge, for boarding Martha J. Brown	\$130 00
F. W. Adams, for boarding Wm. Annis	90 00
J. A. Sprague, for rent for Mary Adams and Edmond McLawly	4 50

John A. Dodge, for moving Mary Adams	\$ 1 00	
J. A. Sprague, for fuel for Mary Adams and E. McLawly	4 00	
F. E. Dodge, for fuel for Mary Adams and E. McLawly	5 00	
W. S. Pendleton, for fuel for Mary Adams and E. McLawly	19 00	
F. S. Pendleton & Co., for supplies for Mary Adams and E. McLawly	8 07	
F. S. Pendleton & Co., for supplies for Clifford Pendleton	12 85	
F. S. Pendleton & Co., for supplies for Martha J. Brown	1 59	
J. P. Bragg, for hauling wood for Mary Adams and E. McLawly	1 50	
Dr. H. F. Dolan, for medical attendance for M. J. Brown	3 50	
W. S. Pendleton, for fuel for Clifford Pendleton	7 50	
Town of Camden, for rent and supplies furnished F. E. Brown and family	237 95	
Total		\$526 46
Amount overdrawn		\$126 46

SCHOOLS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Received from the State	728 58
Unexpended balance, 1903	42 70
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	\$1,771 28

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for teaching	\$1,280 00	
board	680 00	
fuel	140 76	
janitors	12 00	
transportation of scholars	36 00	
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Total		\$2,148 76
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Amount overdrawn		\$377 48

TEXT BOOKS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$100 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Paid Ginn & Co., for text books	\$40 02	
American Book Co., for text books	52 66	
F. Stuart Grindle, for text books	2 95	
Benjamin Sanborn, for text books	34 01	
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Total		\$ 129 64
Overdrawn		\$29 64

TUITION OF PUPILS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$125 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Paid Coburn Classical Institute, on account of Edward B. Dodge	\$15 00
Coburn Classical Institute, on account of Roland L. Dodge	30 00

Coburn Classical Institute, on account of Rawson A. Warren	\$10 00	
Freedom Academy Association on ac- count of Martin Pendleton	7 00	
Freedom Academy Association on ac- count of Harold Pendleton	7 00	
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Total		\$ 69 00
Bal. unexpended		\$ 56 00

AMOUNTS OVERDRAWN.

On account of town charges	\$35 90	
“ “ “ State road	7 07	
“ “ “ sidewalks	79 60	
“ “ “ poor	126 46	
“ “ “ schools	377 51	
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		\$626 54

BALANCES UNEXPENDED.

On account of roads and bridges	\$251 06	
“ “ “ Free Library	31 50	
“ “ “ sewer	10 66	
“ “ “ tuition of pupils	56 00	
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		\$ 349 22
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Total		\$ 277 32

SUMMARY.

Whole amount of orders drawn		\$9,364 36
For miscellaneous	\$425 96	
repairs on school houses	185 54	
snow bills	374 47	
payment of town officers	735 98	

abatements	\$ 24 65	
repairing roads and bridges	2,148 94	
continuing state road	407 07	
sidewalks	329 60	
increase and maintenance of Free Li-		
brary	269 30	
completion of sewer	1,588 99	
support of poor	526 46	
maintenance of schools	2,148 76	
purchasing text books	129 64	
tuition of pupils	69 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,364 36

FINANCE OF THE TOWN.

	ASSETS.	
<i>Cash in Treas.</i>		3331
Old tax deeds	\$ 83 87	
Due on tax bills of 1904	1,019 70.	
Due on account of sewer assessment	730 50	
from State on account of tuition of pupils	34 50	
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\$1,901.88

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders	\$1,039 33
Outstanding sewer bonds	3,500 00
interest on said bonds	46 66
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\$ 4,585 99

Balance against the town

\$ 2,684.11

We recommend the following amounts to be raised by the town for the ensuing year :

For payment of town charges	\$1,600 00
repairing roads and bridges	2,000 00
continuance of State road	400 00
repairing sidewalks	250 00
Increase and maintenance of the	
public library	200 00
the support of poor	700 00
the maintenance of schools	1,100 00
the purchase of text books	125 00
the maintenance of a free high school	1,000 00
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	\$ 7,375 00

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN TRIM,	}	Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.
W. S. PENDLETON,		
J. A. SPRAGUE,		

Islesboro, March 6, 1905.

Treasurer's Report.

A. H. PARKER, Treasurer,

In account with the Town of Islesboro.

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Paid selectmen's orders	\$8,325 03
State tax	2,007 45
County tax	758 33
Interest on sewer bonds	140 00
Interest on town orders	50 20
State for dog licenses	25 00
Postage, telephones, etc.	5 70
<i>Cash in Treas.</i>	33 31
Order No. 16 of 1902	4 00
Non-resident tax deeds in treas.	83 87

\$11,432 89

DR.

Cash in treasury March 5, 1904	\$53 23
Received on tax bills of 1903	983 10
“ “ “ “ “ 1904	9,137 78
“ from State for reimbursement	20 45
“ from town clerk for dog licenses	25 00
“ from State for State road	200 00

Paid from State for school fund	\$728 58
“ for blasting tools	3 03 1
“ for sale of lead	47 85
“ for rent of town hall	69 00
“ from State for sheep de- stroyed by dogs	81 00
.Non-resident tax deeds in treas.	83 87
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	\$11,432 89

A. H. PARKER, Treasurer of Islesboro.

Islesboro, March 4, 1904.

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE ON ISLESBORO FREE LIBRARY.

March, 1902. Town appropriation, \$200 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon	\$171 96	
A. L. Pendleton, lib. equipment	11 90	
Library bureau	2 25	
T. P. Bragg for wood	2 00	
Total		\$188 11
	Bal. unex.	\$ 11 89

March 1903 Town appropriation,	\$225 00	
Credit from 1902	11 89	
		\$236 89

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon	\$156 30	
" Agnes Williams	5 00	
" Mr. Limeburner	6 48	
" D. P. Palmer	2 50	
" Harold Pendleton	1 00	
" E. M. Pond	13 00	

Paid F. C. Pendleton for rent	\$20 00	
“ A. L. Pendleton, books and Ex.	12 00	
“ W. S. Pendleton	9 81	
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Total		\$226 09
Balance unexpended		10 80
March 1904 Town appropriation	\$250 00	
Credit from 1903	10 80	
Cash from State 1902 & 1903	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$300 80

Note. 10 per c. State stipend, State still owes us \$2.25.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon	\$84 88	
“ Wright & Hall	1 50	
“ W. F. Langill for printing	12 00	
“ A. L. Pendleton for sundries	9 35	
“ Library bureau	6 65	
“ Agnes Williams	2 45	
“ Belle Coombs	7 00	
“ W. F. Byard	1 40	
“ F. S. Pendleton & Co.	1 78	
“ Lower & Co. for books	100 64	
“ F. C. Pendleton, rent	24 00	
“ Library bureau	2 25	
“ E. B. Pendleton, librarian	8 40	
“ Mrs. A. H. Parker, br. librarian	5 00	
“ W. S. Pendleton	2 00	
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Total		\$269 30
Balance unexpended		31 50

LIBRARIAN'S ACCOUNT.

	FINES.	CR.
Whole amount of fines taken in		\$21 31
Sold catalogs to value		3 00
		\$24 31
Note. { Complimentary catalogs 37 } { Now in library " 33 }		
Paid for building fires and cutting wood for	DR	
three winters	\$ 9 00	
Paid services as librarian, A. Williams	2 60	
“ for curtain drapery	1 25	
“ for cleaning	75	
“ for trucking	1 00	
“ for sending for books	1 50	
“ for window shades	1 00	
“ for 2nd lot of book plates	1 75	
“ expressage in '04 and '05	2 75	
“ for sundries	1 65	
		\$23 25
Total		\$23 25
Credit now in library		\$ 1 06

GIFTS OF BOOKS.

	No. of vols.
Nov. 1902.	
State's donation (value one-half of appropriation or \$100 worth of books)	93
Mrs. Lester A. Lewis	17

Mr. H. S. Horne	5
Hon. L. D. Carver	1
Mrs. Morse	8
Mrs. W. S. Pendleton	1
Bowdoin Pendleton	1
A. L. Pendleton	2
Mrs. F. C. Pendleton	2
Capt. J. O. Farrow	1
Mrs. J. O. Farrow	1
Miss Agnes Williams	1
Mr. Ibra Williams	1
Mrs. Inez Pendleton	2
Capt. Charles Pendleton	2
Dr. H. F. Dolan	1
Mr. James Dolan	1
Donald Hendry	1
Miss Lizzie Warren	1
Mr. Doddridge Pendleton	1
Major Clayton	1
Capt. P. G. Pendleton	1
Mrs. Eugenia Morey	1
Miss Effie Pendleton	2
Mr. Robert Trim	1
Miss E. M. Pond	2
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Volumes	151

NUMBER OF BOOKS.

Whole number of books catalogued	827
Number of State reports not catalogued	45

Whole number books

872

CIRCULATION.

Whole number books let out 28 mos.

6749

Nov. 10, 1902.	1st day opened number let out	30 books
	Biggest day winter '02 and '03	49 "
	" " " '03 and '04	83 "
Feb. 1905.	" " " '04 and '05	90 "

Note. In the State donation of 93 vols. was a fine Johnson's Encyclopedia of 8 vols.

• When in March 1902 the town founded a Free Library by voting to appropriate the sum of \$200 for that purpose, and when in the late summer a committee of five were appointed by the Selectmen to look after the matter it became evident that the Committees' duty, besides the buying of books, was to arrange some system by which the library could be put in successful working order.

At this time much good advice was gotten from our State Librarian and a call made upon him, was a most profitable one. Miss E. M. Pond also was of especial assistance to us, coming over and cataloguing our first order of books. The town had specified a Free library. We had our book plates marked "Islesboro Free Library," this was afterward approved by the Selectmen. Financially the library is managed like the other town departments, the Selectmen paying all bills and holding all receipts for same.

In looking over the statistical report, you cannot fail to observe three things. 1st, that the running expenses have been kept at a very low figure. 2nd, that the library has grown wonderfully; viz: from 259 vols. when it opened to 827 accessioned books now. 3rd, that the circulation has been unusually large, proving that the library is appreciated by the people.

ADMINISTRATION.

Following are the rules as we have used them:

OPEN WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY AFTERNOONS 2 TO 5.

Every resident of Islesboro over 12 years of age may borrow books. One person is entitled to one book at a time.

Books may be kept 2 weeks, and any person neglecting to return a book within the 14 days shall pay a fine of one cent a day. Books retained *1 week* beyond the specified time will be sent for by the librarian.

Books will be reserved for no one.

Books may be renewed before a fine is due, but not after.

Books labelled "SEVEN DAY" cannot be renewed, but must be returned in 7 DAYS.

All are expected to care thoughtfully for the library books. Leaves must not be turned down, nor must the books be marked by pen or pencil.

These have been changed as the needs of our readers have required. We took the "7 Day Book" out entirely winters. Another fall and winter it will be advisable to open the library one evening during the week, either Thursday or Saturday evening.

In the spring of 1904, 2 branch libraries of 50 books each were put up the Island. Branch No. 1 at Mrs. Urania Burgess. Branch No. 2 at Mrs. A. H. Parker's.

By paying expressage we had at first 2 travelling libraries from the State for 6 mos. It was at a time when we could not well spare the 100 extra books. Since this time, the town's books have been used. We advise changing once in 4 months.

Schools have been encouraged to patronize the library, being given all the time wanted.

SELECTION OF BOOKS.

We wished to make the library popular and we wished to do so without sacrificing literary merit. Our first order of books was an attempt to suit the people.

In subsequent orders a list of books called for, but not in library, has been kept by the librarian, and these books if up to the library standard have been bought.

The two A. L. A. catalogs found in the library and compiled by the leading librarians of the country have been found useful for general reference. No mistake can be made in selecting books from them in the future.

The library gets a discount of $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent. on all books except net books and on these there is a 10 per cent. discount. Books average about \$1.00 apiece, some costing more, some less. Many could be bought in cheaper editions, but readers will not have fine print, and cheap bindings do not last.

CATALOGING.

The Dewey decimal system of classification and cataloging books was adopted. This system is coming into almost universal use and is considered much superior to any other method.

Books are charged by numbers rather than by names. By the old method one librarian could hardly do the work some of the "large" afternoons of winter.

There are 2 card catalogs in the library, an author catalog and a juvenile catalog. A subject catalog is being written.

Last spring we printed a little catalog of the books then on hand, but do not think the work or expense was appreciated. A supplement catalog is needed now.

LIBRARIAN.

In the country town more than any other, the librarian is asked to suggest books for the reader. For this reason she must know books. If she is a good student of human nature, so much the better, for these combined with a certain amount of business ability will keep things running smoothly. In directing the children's reading, one can hardly over-estimate the good work that might be done by the librarian. We advise the buying of the books quarterly.

Each lot acts as a special tonic on the library, besides making the work easier for the librarian than tho' bought at one time. Thanks are due many ladies in the library neighbor-

hood for assistance at times of "fixing up" books, especially Mrs. Mabel Elwell.

CONCLUSION.

We are proud of the fact that since the library opened Nov. 10, 1902, and with the large circulation, sending out nearly 7,000 books, that not one book has been lost. We think you will agree with us that the system is good which makes such a record possible. We are outgrowing our room. We could use a larger reading room to such good advantage! What we hope to have sometime in the near future is a fire-proof one-story building, built of either field rock or red brick with stone trimmings. Such building to be located centrally on high land and be large enough for a good-sized reading-room, a book-room, vestibule entrance and perhaps small coat room.

Because the library is educational and because it is good for us, let us hope that we will each and all take a vital interest in it, that it may have a safe abiding place with us and grow wise and strong with the passing years.

ALICE L. PENDLETON,	}	Library Committee.
LENA ROSE,		
THERESA GRINDLE,		
J. P. BRAGG,		
C. R. PENDLETON,	}	

Feb. 20, 1905.

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF ISLESBORO:

In accordance with the regulation, I herewith respectfully submit my first annual report of the schools of Islesboro:

STATISTICS.

Number of school houses	6
Number of school houses occupied	6
Number of school rooms occupied	7
Number of terms of school	3
Aggregate number of weeks of school	190
Number of different teachers employed	12
Total enrollment of pupils	205
Average attendance	26
Number of cases of tardiness	1212
Number of cases of dismissal	213
Net expenditures for text books	\$ 129 64
Expense per pupil based on enrollment	63

The above statistics are for the school year ending Feb. 17th, 1905.

The past year has shown a steady growth and interest in the school work. In order to raise the eighth grade to a certain standard it was necessary to buy more algebras, Barnes histories and Harpers' geographies and thus the expense of text books was somewhat increased. Some bills of books bought in April by former superintendent were presented in January after the present superintendent had purchased what seemed absolutely needed, not knowing that the appropriation had been exceeded so much. It is our determined purpose and intention to keep within the appropriation this coming year and not to overrun even one cent. This department should be conducted on a purely business basis and it can be done so.

SCHOOL	GRADES	TEACHER	WHERE EDUCATED	No. of terms experience	Wages per week includ'g board	Weeks of school	Pupils enrolled	Average attendance	Cases of tardiness	Cases of dismissal	Pupils not absent one term or more	Pupils not tardy one term or more	TERMS
Parker		F. Stuart Grindel	Castine Normal	3	\$10 50	10	21	19	161	25	2	1	Spring
		" "		4	12 00	10	25	19	55	39	1	7	Fall
		" "		5	12 00	10	26	22	79	9	2	11	Winter
Ryder		Adelaide Hatch	Castine Normal	11	11 00	10	35	31	15	4	9	6	Spring
		Inez M. Pendleton	Wellesley Col.	23	12 00	10	34	25	29	3	2	17	Fall
Pendleton Grammar		R. L. Hemmingway	Bates College	3	12 00	10	33	23	44	58	1	18	Winter
		Edna Sawyer	Gorham	7	12 00	10	38	32	60	18	3	12	Spring
		" "	Normal	8	12 00	10	36	29	71	11	1	12	Fall
Pendleton Primary		Elizabeth Warren	Castine Normal	9	12 00	10	42	35	53	1	1	13	Winter
		" "		7	6 00	10	26	21	107	3	3	6	Spring
		" "		8	6 00	10	20	17	83	1	none	4	Fall
West Side		" "		9	6 00	10	12	10	82	0	none	3	Winter
		Agnes Williams	Castine Normal	3	10 00	10	19	18	40	17	7	4	Spring
		Addie Randlett	" "	3	10 00	10	21	18	18	6	3	10	Fall
Dark Harbor		Agnes Williams	" "	4	10 00	10	16	14	29	5	none	5	Winter
		Isabelle Coombs	" "	7	7 00	10	36	27	73	3	none	10	Spring
		Lettie Hatch	" "	5	10 00	10	31	23	67	5	none	12	Fall
Acre Island		Herman Coombs	Ricker Class. Institute	0	10 00	19	26	22	139	2	3	3	Winter
		Annie Farnsworth	Castine Normal	0	6 00	10	9	7	7	3	none	6	Fall

TEACHING FORCE.

This town has reason to be proud of its teachers and I heartily appreciate the interest they have shown in their readiness to co-operate in the plan of the work as laid out at the beginning of the winter term. It is a pleasure to go into the different rooms and see the interest and enthusiasm as shown by both teacher and pupil. I wish more of the parents would visit the schools oftener. It is a help to teacher and pupil alike.

TEXT BOOKS.

During the Thanksgiving vacation every school book in town was examined and numbered. Those books that were totally unfit for use were taken to the superintendent's office to be packed and exchanged when new books should be bought. A discount of 10 per cent. is allowed by publishers on all old books; even if only six pages are all that are left of the book, or if the covers only, the discount is the same—10 per cent. of the price of a new book. The books that could be used were mended with glue and cloth and the wrinkled leaves were ironed out. A blank book was provided for each school and in it was written the name of each book used in that school, its number, general condition and the name of the pupil to whom the book was charged. If that book is lost or damaged that pupil is responsible and should pay for the book. The superintendent also keeps a record of each book by number and knows in exactly what school every book is located. During the summer vacation the books will be examined again. They are in such a good condition now that the schools can get along for a year or two (if we have a High school) with buying very few books. The Complete Arithmetics are in the worst condition but with care they can be used some time yet.

HIGH SCHOOL.

And now comes the subject upon which all our hopes are

centered. It closely concerns all those who have children growing up and it concerns all those who are interested in the up-lifting of the moral and intellectual life of the town. A young man, a native of Islesboro, who has won success and distinction in the educational world away from here, writes to us in these words: "You have a splendid scheme and I hope you will be successful in carrying it out. I believe you will. I shall be glad to be of any assistance. I would like to see my native town boom educationally as well as along the line of summer resorting." That is the true spirit and should be the controlling force in the minds of every voter of the town of Islesboro.

We have in the different schools about 40 pupils who will be ready for High school work in September. What shall be done with them? Shall they be sent away from home for High school work and the town be obliged to pay their tuition or shall we have a High school right here where all shall have equal privilege of obtaining an education? We want a school that will fit for college and rank creditably among the other High schools in the State. Surely the town can afford the appropriation. The State will pay half up to \$250, of what the town pays out for salaries for teachers in the High school. After the first three or four years there would be little expense for books. One teacher could do the work for the first year; after that, he would need an assistant. If the principal received fifteen dollars, including board, per week, the assistant would receive about ten dollars including board. With so many scholars going out from the Grammar grades, the present schools would be much easier to teach and expense could be lessened in the salaries of these schools.

But of more account than a dollar or less extra tax is the thought that some lives would be made fuller, richer and grander in every way. To have helped some boy or girl to get more out of life, to give him a chance to find out what knowledge means, to have him learn and make his own, the best thoughts and efforts of noble minds is worth our sincere interest and consideration.

The following is the proposed course of study as approved by State Supt. Stetson, President White and Prof. Hatch of Colby University, and others. This course can be added to as the need may require.

HIGH SCHOOL

FALL TERM.	WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.
	1ST YEAR.		
Latin 5*			
Algebra 5			
General History 5	Same as Fall Term.		Same as fall term
English 2			
Book-keeping 2			
	2ND YEAR.		
Latin 5	Latin 5		Latin 5
Algebra 5	Algebra 5		Physical Geog. 5
Geometry 5	Same as fall term		Same as fall term
English 2	" " " "		" " " "
English History 2½	" " " "		" " " "
	3RD YEAR.		
Latin or Physics 5	Same as fall term		Same as fall term
Eng. Lit. (college) 3	" " " "		" " " "
French 5	" " " "		" " " "
Solid Geom. (elec) 5	Solid Geometry 5		Botany 4
Civil Government 2½	Same as fall term.		Same as fall term
	4TH YEAR.		
Latin or Chemistry 5	Same as fall term		Same as fall term
French 5	" " " "		" " " "
Am. Lit. (college) 3	" " " "		" " " "
Roman History 2½			
Arithmetic (review) 4	Algebra (review) 4		Geometry (review) 4

*Number of recitations each week.

APPROPRIATION.

If the town votes for a High school the following are the carefully estimated sums necessary for the first year:

Salary of Principal for 35 weeks at \$15	\$ 525
40 desks, freight and putting into room	200
Books	225
Blackboards, stove, etc.	50
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Total	\$ 1,000

If the schools of Islesboro are to become all they should be, parents, children and every one who feels the least pride or interest in the welfare of the town, must unite their efforts for their improvement and progress.

Respectfully submitted,

INEZ MATTHEWS PENDLETON,

Superintendent of Schools.

