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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

AND

S. S. COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF POLAND,

For the Year Ending March 1,

1889.

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MECHANIC FALLS, MAINE :

PRESS OF POOLE BROS., STEAM PRINTERS.

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# TOWN OFFICERS.

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*Clerk and Treasurer:*

ZENAS LANE.

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*Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor:*

JAMES I. CHIPMAN,  
SPOFFORD I. JEWETT.  
FRANCIS STORER.

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*Town Agent:*

JAMES I. CHIPMAN.

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*S. S. Committee:*

FRANK E. THURLOW,  
FRANK E. HANSCOM,  
R. J. EVERETT.

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*Collector of Taxes:*

L. T. BROWN.

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*Constable:*

L. T. BROWN.

**WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,  
MARCH 11, 1889.**

TO LORENZO T. BROWN, A CONSTABLE IN THE TOWN OF POLAND,  
IN THE COUNTY OF ANDROSCOGGIN,

GREETING :

IN the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Poland, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following Articles, to wit :

FIRST.—To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

SECOND.—To see if the town will accept the report of the Committee on Accounts.

THIRD.—To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

FOURTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise to pay Bonds due July 1, 1889.

FIFTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise to pay interest on Bonds and Orders.

SIXTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise for the Support of Schools.

SEVENTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise for Support of Poor.

EIGHTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise for the Repairs of Roads and Bridges.

NINTH.—To see if the town will vote to repair their Highways by the assessment of a tax, to be paid in labor.

TENTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise for Contingent Expenses.

ELEVENTH.—To see what sum of money the town will raise for Abatements of Taxes and Collector's Commissions.



# Report of Selectmen.

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THE Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of the Town of Poland for the year ending March 1, 1889, is herewith presented.

Total valuation of real and personal estates, \$938,391. Basis of valuation, 100 per cent.

Agreeable to warrants from the State and County Treasurers, and a certificate from the Town Clerk, we assessed upon the polls and estates the following sums :

For State Tax,	\$ 2,537 29
“ County Tax,	1,390 47
“ Support of Common Schools,	3,000 00
“ Support of Poor,	1,000 00
“ Roads and Bridges,	3,000 00
“ Contingent Expenses,	1,000 00
“ Abatements and Collector's Commission,	600 00
“ A. A. Dwinal Post,	25 00
“ School-House at Mechanic Falls,	5,000 00
“ Repairs of School-Houses,	500 00
Free High School,	250 00
“ New Road, Potash Hill,	100 00
To pay Bonds due July 1st, 1888,	1,000 00
“ Interest on Bonds and Orders,	700 00
Overlay,	370 58
To pay Moderator,	3 00
“ Committee on Accounts,	3 00
Appraised value of School Property,	8,300 00
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Total Town Assessment,	\$28,779 34
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Committed to Collector,	\$20,479 34
Number of Polls, 522.	

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## RATE OF TAXATION.

Polls, \$3.00.

Estates, .029 on \$1.

Rebate on School Property, Minot Corner District, \$6.70 on \$1,000. Consolidated Districts, \$8.30 on \$1,000. Mechanic Falls District, \$8.80 on \$1,000.

## APPRAISAL OF SCHOOL PROPERTY.

Property wholly within the town,	\$4,650 00
One-half of Brick School-house at Mechanic Falls,	2,300 00
House on Elm Street,	600 00
House at Minot Corner, District No. 8,	750 00
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Total,	\$8,300 00

## TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

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1 yoke of oxen,	\$120 00
8 cows,	255 00
1 two-year-old,	30 00
2 yearlings,	20 00
5 shoats,	44 00
1 horse,	50 00
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Total value of Farm Stock,	\$519 00

## PRODUCE ON FARM.

25 tons of hay at \$11.00 per ton,	\$275 00
1 1-2 tons of straw,	7 50
15 bushels of oats,	7 50
32 " " wheat,	32 00
5 1-2 " " beans,	13 50
Grass Seed,	2 55
1 emery wheel,	1 00
1 sprinkler,	75

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1 pung,	\$ 12 00
1 wagon,	65 00
2 sets of sleds,	16 00
1 cross-cut saw,	1 85
12 bushels of Northern corn,	7 20
3 bags meal,	3 00
150 lbs. shorts,	1 75
1 bag of cracked corn,	1 00
1-3 bbl. flour,	2 50
1-2 " crackers,	1 30
Nails,	4 50
100 lbs. sugar,	8 00
10 lbs. tea,	4 50
Spices and soda,	70
1-4 gross matches,	18
8 lbs. lard,	96
Canned fruit,	2 00
1 box salt	15
1-2 bushel salt,	20
50 lbs. pork,	4 50
40 gallons molasses,	14 00
5 " kerosene,	40
40 bushels potatoes,	24 00
2 bbls. apples,	2 00
25 lbs. beef,	1 50
20 bushels turnips and beets,	10 00
25 lbs. barbed wire,	1 12
6 lbs. butter,	1 32
Stock cream and produce sold,	548 88
Cream for January, and up to February 20, estimated,	42 12
Due from F. L. Thurston for hay,	10 87
"    "    C. H. Nevins,	18 20
"    "    Thomas Strout,	1 18
"    "    Dudly & Strout for timber,	50 00
" for 25 cords of oak timber,	87 50
Received for stock pastured,	8 00
"    " hay sold to O. A. Schillenger,	3 00
	\$1,837 18



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## TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

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To stock, groceries, etc., on hand March 1, 1888,	\$ 684 85
“ paid out for stock, groceries, etc., by Overseer of farm,	547 88
“ paid J. W. Morse for oxen,	130 00
“ “ Storer Bros. for Wagon,	65 00
“ “ for cows,	100 00
“ “ Luther Estes for work,	27 70
“ salary of Overseer and wife,	366 00
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Total debt of farm, 1888,	\$1921 43
“ credit “ “ “	1837 18
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Balance against farm, 1888,	\$ 84 25

NAMES OF PAUPERS THAT HAVE BEEN ON THE FARM DURING THE YEAR.

Samuel Gleason,  
 Adeline Cushman,  
 Betsey Orr,  
 Nellie Edwards and Newell Colby, until Oct. 13, '88.  
 Average number for the year, 4.

## COST OF POOR NOT ON THE FARM.

I. S. Hunnewell,	\$ 14 87
David Pulsifer, sickness and funeral charges,	71 74
Charles Woodsum,	48 82
Hod Walker,	4 00
George W. Walker,	22 00
Llewellyn Tobie at Reform School,	49 14
Moses Foss,	5 00
Newell Colby,	20 00
Demerit Churchill,	20 00
Waldron Harris,	1 10
Joseph Strout,	6 00
Charles Thurlow,	6 70
Stanton Estes, books for children,	2 82

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Charles Tidd,	\$ 11 31
Nellie Edwards, paid town of Brunswick,	20 00
Amos Harris,	6 00
Daniel Strout,	43 11
Osgood Cole,	28 03
Dr. Corliss attending poor, balance of bill for 1887,	25 00
“ “ “ “ part payment for 1888,	19 00
J. L. Tobie,	3 00
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	\$527 65

## COST OF POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Richard Edwards, Casco,	\$ 25 90
C. G. Hawes, Leeds,	24 73
T. P. Kneeland, Lincoln,	28 50
Faustina Chase, Dixfield,	15 20
Wm. Paine, Yarmouth,	41 07
John Bicknell, Minot,	48 00
Samuel Young, Madison,	49 37
Annie Robbins, Greenwood,	25 00
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	\$257 77

## INSANE HOSPITAL.

Mrs. W. O. Bancroft,	\$ 98 67
H. P. Howe,	55 86
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	\$154 53

## ABATEMENTS AND COLLECTOR'S COMMISSION.

To L. C. Herrick, Collector's commission for 1886,	\$162 77
“ L. C. Herrick, abatements for 1886,	63 69
“ Sundry persons, abatements for 1886,	26 89
“ “ “ “ “ 1887,	98 18
“ “ “ “ “ 1888,	64 81
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	\$416 34

## TOWN REPORT.

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

## ROAD MACHINE ACCOUNT.

Paid C. H. Nevins for team and teamster,	\$429 00
“ F. J. Brown for work with machine,	125 90
“ Orin A. Schillenger for work with machine,	169 75
“ Arthur Jordan for tending machine,	132 25
“ C. E. Chipman “ “ “	47 27
“ A. G. Thurlow “ machine work,	12 00
“ For repairs on machine,	40 05
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	\$956 22

## REPAIRS OF BRIDGES.

Poland Corner Bridge,	\$174 84
Worthy Brook “	1 50
Mousam Mills “	88 00
Mechanic Falls Iron Bridge,	120 06
Page's Mills Bridge,	97 44
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	\$481 84

## REPAIRS ON ROADS.

Summer of 1888,	\$2602 70
Snow bills, winter of 1887 and '88	652 17
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	\$3254 87
Planks for Culverts,	33 63
Watering Tubs,	20 00
Stone Pipe,	84 40
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	\$138 03
Paid J. W. Dunn, building new road, (Potash Hill)	\$130 00

## REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

House on Elm street, Mechanic Falls,	\$358 26
Johnson Hill house,	86 80
Harris Hill and Bailey Hill houses,	97 29
Oak Hill and District No. 1, painting houses,	54 51

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West Poland house,	\$178 17
Minot Corner “	3 67
Removing old houses, and making blackboards, Districts Nos. 15 and 25,	14 60
Hawkes & Whitney, material for repairs,	21 60
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	\$814 90

## CONTINGENT.

V. P. Waterhouse, cash paid as per bill,	\$ 7 36
“ “ services as Selectman, etc.,	150 10
J. I. Chipman, “ “ “ “	114 00
C. E. Stevens, “ “ “ “	62 25
F. E. Thurlow, “ “ Supervisor,	125 00
Zenas Lane, “ “ Treasurer,	75 00
“ “ cash paid out on orders,	125 00
W. W. McCann, cash paid, and services of Committee on Town Records,	15 00
A. C. Denison, services as Moderator,	3 00
David Dunn, Committee on Accounts,	1 00
A. J. Weston, “ “ “	1 00
Poole Bros., for Town Reports,	31 00
L. C. Herrick, posting warrants, 1887,	10 00
E. F. Bradford, M. D., professional services,	1 50
Thomas H. Brooks, damage to wagon,	1 50
Loring, Short & Harmon, Town Books,	17 70
C. E. Stevens, land for school house lot,	175 00
A. C. Denison, services as Moderator at special meet- ings, 1887,	4 00
J. I. Ghipman, cash paid as per bill,	60 89
S. I. Jewett,	7 00
Francis Storer,	7 25
G. A. R. Post, No. 3,	25 00
Money hired for temporary loan,	1,611 00
Andrew Verrill, damage to wagon,	2 00
Diseased animals killed and buried,	24 00
Repairs on Town House,	1 25
Poole Bros., printing check lists,	5 00

Mrs. C. E. Emery, for damage on highway,	10 00
Stationery for Selectmen,	2 00
Symonds & Dresser, fees as Referees,	50 00
Witness fees, Union District hearing,	3 75
Town of Minot, award of Referees,	250 00
O. S. Keene, land damage, (Potash hill)	50 00
Luther Perkins, " " " "	50 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, Town Order Book,	5 00
L. T. Brown, posting warrants,	6 00
Poole Bros., printing for Treasurer,	3 00
B. M. Fernald, S. L. Littlefield and Dr. Corliss, (services as Board of Health)	40 50
S. I. Jewett, cash paid at Augusta,	16 05
V. P. Waterhouse, " " " "	6 90
Francis Storer, " " " "	23 15
C. N. Burns, " " " "	5 15
J. I. Chipman " " " "	23 55
Zenas Lane, " " " "	21 47
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	\$3,229 32

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 RESOURCES.

Due from Town of Leeds,	\$19 50
" " Minot,	48 00
" " Madison,	56 67
" " Lincoln,	14 00
" " Dixfield,	15 20
" " New-Gloucester,	2 32
" - Zenas Lane, Collector, 1887,	2,057 45
" L. T. Brown, Collector, 1888,	4,620 07
" C. H. Nevins for hay and board of team,	32 58
" Resident and non-resident taxes sold,	120 26
Cash on hand Feb. 22, 1889,	1,658 98
Due from Martha Maxwell,	706 47
" Town of Greenwood,	25 00
" Cream for January and up to Feb. 20, (es- timated),	42 12

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Due from F. E. Thurlow for old school-house sold,	\$ 15 00
Old farm,	1,500 00
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	\$10,933 62

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders on interest at 4%,	\$5,046 65
"    "    not on interest,	674 81
Unexpended school funds,	1,533 88
Interest on orders,	81 97
"    bonds to March 1, 1889,	366 00
Due A. B. Walton and wife,	316 00
"    Dr. Walter Corliss for attending town's poor,	19 00
"    Zenas Lane, Treasurer,	75 00
"    Selectmen and S. S. Committee's bill, (estimated),	500 00
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	\$8,613 34
Bonds due July 1, 1887,	\$1,500 00
"    "    1888,	900 00
"    "    1889,	2,200 00
"    "    1890,	2,400 00
"    "    1891,	2,200 00
"    "    1895,	1,300 00
"    "    1899,	1,200 00
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Bonded debt,	\$11,700 00
Total Liabilities,	\$20,313 34
Total Resources,	10,933 62
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Indebtedness,	\$9,379 72

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1888.

	Ap.		Ex.
Due the several Districts March		} \$5,098 31	
1, 1888,	\$ 962 44		
Support of Common Schools,	3,000 00		\$3,564 43
State School Fund,	1,135 87		
Support of poor,	1,000 00		938 95
Repairs of roads and bridges,	3,000 00		4,830 96
Contingent Expenses,	1,000 00		3,229 32
Memorial Day,	25 00		25 00
Building school house,	5,000 00		4,955 26
Repairing school houses,	500 00		814 90
Abatements and Coll. Com.	600 00		416 34
Free High School fund,	500 00		225 00
New road, Potash Hill,	100 00		130 00

We would recommend the following Appropriations for 1889 :

To pay bonds,	\$1,000 00
Interest on bonds and orders,	700 00
Support of schools,	3,000 00
For roads and bridges, if money,	3,000 00
“ “ “ “ if labor,	5,000 00
For support of poor,	1,000 00
“ Contingent expenses,	1,000 00
“ Abatements and Collector's commissions,	700 00
“ G. A. R.,	25 00

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 REMARKS.

There are three suits pending, assigned for April term : Poland vs. Martha Maxwell was brought to get judgement against her estate for supplies furnished in the past eight years by the town. We held a tax deed which counsel decided was void ; as the amount involved was \$706 47, we considered it worth looking after, hence the suit. We also brought suit against the town of Madison for supplies furnished W. C. and Samuel Young ; and

against District No. 1, Minor, for money paid for tuition of scholars.

We were fortunate in again procuring Mr. Walton and wife as Overseer and Matron of the Farm. All of the business of the Farm has been managed by them to our entire satisfaction.

Respectfully submitted,

J. I. CHIPMAN,	}	<i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Poland.</i>
S. I. JEWETT,		
F. STORER,		



# TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1888.

ZENAS LANE, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF POLAND,

DR.

To cash received from the following sources.

L. C. Herrick, Collector for 1886,	\$ 1,200 96
Zenas Lane, " " 1887,	7,551 89
L. T. Brown, " " 1888	10,980 26
Resident taxes of 1882, and costs,	20 00
" " " 1885 " "	16 84
Non-resident taxes of 1886,	148 15
Notes from Sally Pottle given for taxes	295 00
Interest on them,	47 46
G. S. Wilson, tuition money,	12 00
Interest on deposits,	21 17
Supplies furnished and repaid,	5 43
S. I. Jewett, drain pipe sold,	1 20
Town of Leeds,	38 00
" " Lincoln,	52 10
" " Casco,	107 00
" " Minot, tuition money, Minot Corner,	47 90
" " Yarmouth,	41 07
" " Sumner,	13 75
Francis Storer, lumber,	8 00
Donations by citizens for Free High School,	50 00
State for citizens " " " "	218 37
" school fund for 1887,	1,172 70
" " " " 1888,	1,135 87
A. G. Thurlow, ox work,	6 00
A. J. Weston, insurance premium on school house,	3 00
State aid money for 1888,	60 00
Temporary loans,	4,847 59
Total amount,	<u>\$28,101 71</u>

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ZENAS LANE, TREASURER.

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Paid Town Orders not bearing interest,	\$15,984 75
“ “ “ bearing interest,	5,186 58
“ Interest on them,	146 31
“ interest on outstanding orders,	153 76
“ “ “ bonds,	492 00
Temporary loans,	4,187 59
Interest on the same,	113 29
Insurance premium on North Poland school house,	93 00
“ “ “ Farm building,	18 00
“ “ “ Martha Maxwell house,	4 00
State aid to I. S. Hunnewell,	24 00
“ “ “ Phœbe A. Beal,	36 00
Recording deeds,	2 20
Postage,	1 25
Cash in Treasury,	1,658 98
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Total amount,	\$28,101 71

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SELECTMEN OF POLAND :

WE, the Building Committee, chosen at the last Annual Town Meeting, March 12, 1888, "to superintend the building and furnishing of the School House at Mechanic Falls, and to procure land sufficient for a suitable lot adjoining the present school lot on Elm street at the expense of the town, and to report at the next annual town meeting," beg leave to make the following report to the town through you, and request that it be printed, together with your Annual Report, to wit :

The Committee purchased about 128 rods of land of C. C. Yates, for \$175, the proper titles to which are deposited with the Town Clerk.

The expense of removing and rebuilding the old school house was \$358.26, which was assumed by the municipal officers of the town.

The amount expended in building and furnishing the new school house, including the steam-heating of the old house, was \$4,942.83 ; the amount appropriated for building the new house was \$5,000.

All of which is respectfully submitted, this 25th day of February, A. D., 1889.

W. W. WATERMAN,	} <i>Building</i>	
C. N. BURNS,		} <i>Committee.</i>
E. W. JORDAN,		
FORREST WALKER,		

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE.**

FELLOW CITIZENS :

As required by law, we respectfully submit for your consideration the following report of the condition and progress of our schools for the municipal year ending March 1, 1889.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Whole number of scholars in town,	675
"    "    attending summer school,	367
Average "    "    "    "    "	302
Whole "    "    fall    "	343
Average "    "    "    "	299
Whole "    "    winter    "	452
Average "    "    "    "	391
Number of male teachers employed,	16
"    "    female    "    "	33
Average wages of male teachers per month,	\$27 00
"    "    "    female teachers " week,	3 75
"    price of board per week,	2 23

SCHOOL FUND.

Amount appropriated for common schools,	\$3,000 00
"    rec'd from State "    "    "	1,135 87
"    appropriated for High schools,	250 00
"    due from State "    "    "	250 00
Rec'd from Minot for tuition,	129 73
Due from G. S. Wilson for 1887-8, (say)	10 00
"    "    B. D. Butler, "    "    "	8 00
Total,	\$4,883 60

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid for summer schools, including board,	\$1,043 53
"    "    fall        "        "        "	862 75
"    "    winter    "        "        "	1,870 25
"    "    wood and coal	315 11
Casual expenses,	264 77
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Total,	\$4,356 41
Amount unexpended,	\$527 19

## TABULAR VIEW OF SCHOOLS.

## SUMMER TERM.

No. of School,	NAME OF TEACHER.	No. Weeks	No. Register d.	Average Attendance.	Wages per week Excluding Board.	Price of Board per week.	Total Cost of Term.
1	Amy E. Waterhouse,	8	9	7	\$2 50	\$2 00	\$36 00
2	Mary W. Gowell,	9	13	10	3 00	2 00	45 00
4	Emma A. Hayes,	9	20	17	3 00	2 00	45 00
6	Ella McCann,	2	24	20	3 50	2 00	11 00
8	Almon H. Jordan,	9	25	19	5 00	2 75	67 50
8	Florence G. Lunt,	9	33	29	4 00	2 50	60 75
9	Fannie A. Kimball,	9	14	13	3 00	2 00	45 00
10	Mary L. Kimball,	9	8	7	2 50	1 75	40 50
11	Lenora Dunn,	9	10	6	2 25	1 75	36 00
13	Gertie B. Davis,	8	10	8	2 00	1 75	30 00
14	Edna M. Storer,	7	8	6	2 00	1 75	26 25
15	Fannie A. Dunn,	9	19	15	3 00	1 70	42 30
16	Edna V. Foster,	9	14	12	2 50	1 50	36 00
18	Lillie R. Pendexter,	9	7	6	2 50	1 65	37 35
20	Paid District No. 1. Minot,						350 33
21	Nellie M. Pulsifer,	9	11	9	2 50	2 00	40 50
22	Meda E. Thayer,	9	29	23	4 00	2 50	58 40
25	Ella L. Dunn,	9	15	12	2 50	1 45	35 55

Total cost of Summer Schools,

\$1,043 53

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## FALL TERM.

No. of School.	NAME OF TEACHER.	No. Weeks.	No. Registered.	Average Attendance.	Wages per Week Excluding Board.	Price of Board per Week.	Total Cost of School.
3	Margie I. Whitney,	9	31	27	\$5 00	\$2 75	\$69 75
6	Annie B. Crooker,	8	23	21	5 00	2 00	56 00
8	R. J. Everett, (H. Sch.)	10	32	30	9 50	3 00	125 00
8	Florence G. Lunt,	8	30	28	4 00	2 50	52 00
9	Mary E. Jordan,	8	20	18	5 00	2 00	56 00
11	Lenora Dunn,	11	8	5	2 50	1 75	46 75
13	Grace Smith,	4	7	7	2 25	1 75	16 00
15	N. D. Haskell,	8	26	20	6 75	2 00	70 00
20	H. J. Piper, (H. Sch)	8½	30	24	9 50	3 00	106 25
20	Anna Sedgley,	11	44	37	7 00	3 00	100 00
20	Isabella A. Gray,	10	52	47	6 00	2 50	85 00
22	Anson A. Cobb,	8	40	35	7 50	2 50	80 00
Total cost of Fall Schools,							\$862 75

## WINTER TERM.

1	Walter Gammon,	15	18	14	\$4 75	\$2 50	\$108 75
2	Elmer E. Archibald,	15	16	12	5 00	3 00	120 00
3	Margie I. Whitney,	8	33	29	6 00	2 75	70 00
4	Frank E. Thurlow,	13	16	12	5 00	2 50	97 50
6	William W. McCann,	12	21	19	8 00	2 00	120 00
8	R. J. Everett,	10	34		9 50	3 00	125 00
8	Mrs. Florence Lunt,	10	31	2	4 00	3 00	67 50
9	Edwin R. Cobb,	10	14		5 00	2 50	75 00
10	Fred H. Cobb,	15				2 00	112 50
14	Mary L. Kimball,	14	11	11	3 25	1 75	72 00
15	Clarence E. Haskell,	21	22	15	5 50	2 50	80 00
16	Anna M. Proctor,	15	20	16	4 50	1 65	72 25
18	Mrs. Mary Frank,	15				2 00	75 00
20	Ernest O. Cobb (H. Sch.)	10	34		9 50	3 00	125 00
20	Mrs. Anna Sedgley,	10	42		7 00	3 00	100 00
20	Isabella A. Gray,	10	53		6 00	2 50	85 00
21	Curtis L. Sopher	13	11	7	4 75	1 75	84 75
22	Anson Cobb,	10	33	28	7 50	2 50	100 00
25	Mary E. Jordan,	15	16	14	5 00	2 00	105 00
27	Mary W. Gowell,	15	6	6	3 00	2 00	75 00
Total cost of Winter Schools,							\$1,870 25

## SCHOOL NO. 1.—RANGE HILL.

Summer term taught by Amy E. Waterhouse. There was not that lively interest in this school that is necessary to insure the best results.

Winter term, taught by Walter Gammon, was a success in every respect. Although without previous experience, Mr. Gammon seems to possess the much-needed tact of interesting and holding the attention of his pupils. With experience he will rank with the first.

## SCHOOL NO. 2.—BLACKCAT.

Mary W. Gowell in summer, and Elmer E. Archibald in winter, met with success such as has always attended their efforts in this school. Both seem to have a faculty for interesting their pupils that few teachers possess.

## SCHOOL NO. 3.—WEST POLAND.

Miss Margie I. Whitney, of Bridgton, was placed in charge of this school for the year, and met with unqualified success. The faithful and efficient work of the teacher was rewarded by the increased interest of both pupils and parents and the rapid and thorough advancement of the school.

The High School, now in session, under Miss Whitney's instruction, we regard as highly profitable, proving very conclusively the wisdom and advantage of retaining a successful teacher for several successive terms.

## SCHOOL NO. 4.—WHITE OAK HILL.

Summer term was taught by Emma A. Hayes, who labored earnestly for the advancement of her pupils. Her labors were highly appreciated.

Winter term taught by F. E. Thurlow.

## SCHOOL NO. 6.—EMPIRE.

Summer term begun by Mrs. Ella McCann with every indication of a successful term. Owing to sickness the school closed at the end of the second week.

Fall term was taught by Miss Annie B. Crooker, a teacher of experience and ability. Her former reputation as a first-class teacher was fully sustained.

Winter term was conducted by W. W. McCann, who had a previous experience of forty terms. The result of his labors was all that could be desired.

## NO. 8.—MINOT CORNER DISTRICT.

The teachers employed here for the year were :

Summer term—Mr. Almon Jordan, High School ; and Mrs. Florence G. Lunt, Primary.

Fall and Winter Terms—High School, Mr. R. J. Everett ; Primary, Mrs. Florence G. Lunt.

Length of Terms—Summer, 9 weeks. Fall term, High School, 10 weeks ; Primary, 8 weeks. Winter terms, High School, 10 weeks ; Primary, 10 weeks.

Mr. Jordan entered upon his duties with the full confidence of the Committee, he being well-known to all the members of the Board as a young man of earnest endeavor, and well qualified for the work he had chosen. But for some reason he failed to receive that hearty co-operation of pupils and parents so essential to success in the school-room, and the school was not so profitable as it should have been.

Mrs. Lunt has taught so long and so successfully in this school—has so fully the love and confidence of both pupils and parents that praise from us would be but idle words. Suffice it for us to say that we hope she may long be retained in the work that she so faithfully performs.

The winter term was Mr. Everett's fifth term with the scholars in this school.

## DISTRICT NO. 9.—BAILEY HILL.

In this district there have been held three terms of school, a Summer term of nine weeks ; Fall term of eight weeks, and a Winter term of ten weeks.

The teachers were ; Summer term, Miss Fannie Kimball. Fall



term, Miss Mary E. Jordan; and Winter term, Mr. Edwin R. Cobb. In our selection of teachers for this school we were fortunate. Miss Kimball succeeded in at once gaining the hearty good will of her pupils; then with tact and conscientious work, a profitable term was but a logical result.

At the beginning of the Fall term Miss Jordan found the school in good condition and with her love for the work and rare ability as a teacher she succeeded in making this an exceptionally profitable term.

Mr. Cobb is well known as a teacher of large experience and it is hardly necessary for us to say that scholars made rapid advancement under his instruction.

#### DISTRICT NO. 10.—HARRIS HILL.

Summer term taught by Miss Mary L. Kimball. Winter term by Mr. Fred H. Cobb.

Length of Summer term, 9 weeks; Winter term, 14 weeks.

Although this school is small, like many others, yet good work was done during both terms. Miss Kimball is well qualified both by disposition and education to excel in the school-room, and at the closing examination the pupils showed that her efforts in their behalf had been well appreciated. During the winter term Mr. Cobb was very zealous in his efforts to succeed. "Nothing succeeds like success," and we are able to report a prosperous term and to recommend him as one of our progressive teachers.

#### SCHOOL NO. 11.—PIGEON HILL.

Miss Lenora Dunn conducted this school for the year. This was Miss Dunn's first experience, but she worked hard for the advancement of her pupils and we pronounce her school a success.

#### SCHOOL NO. 13.—BRAY DISTRICT.

Summer term was instructed by Miss Gertrude Davis, of New-Gloucester. Her pupils made good advancement.

A Fall term of four weeks was taught by Miss Grace Smith.

Owing to the condition of the house and the small number of pupils, the school was closed and the scholars have since attended school in No. 20.

## SCHOOL NO. 14—LOWER OAK HILL.

Summer term, taught by Edna Storer, was a perfect success.

Winter term, Miss Mary L. Kimball, teacher. Miss K. bids fair to become one of our first-class teachers. Her pupils were thoroughly instructed.

## SCHOOL NO. 15—HERRICK VALLEY.

Summer term was taught by Miss Fannie A. Dunn, who worked hard for the advancement of the school. The closing examination showed that an average amount of work had been accomplished.

Fall term, N. D. Haskell, teacher. Mr. H. is a teacher of large experience and good qualifications. The pupils made good advancement.

Winter term, taught by C. E. Haskell, was highly successful. The school was well disciplined, and the closing examination gave evidence that a large amount of work had been accomplished. Mr. Haskell takes high rank as an instructor.

## SCHOOL NO. 16—JOHNSON HILL.

Summer term, Edna V. Foster, of Gray, teacher. This was Miss Foster's first experience, yet we found the school orderly and well arranged, the pupils diligent and attentive. The attendance was regular, the advancement thorough.

Miss Anna M. Procter, of Raymond, taught the Winter term, and met with the best of success. Miss Procter is a superior scholar and an excellent disciplinarian. She has few equals as a thorough teacher.

## SCHOOL NO. 18—HARDSCRABBLE.

Summer term, Miss Lillie R. Pendexter, of New Gloucester, teacher. The interest in this school was not all that is desired for a first-class school. The scholars made fair progress.

Winter term, 15 weeks. This term, by special request of the people in this district, was taught by Mrs. H. C. Frank. Mrs. F. had taught several terms in this school with good success, and the faithful and painstaking work during this term we think fully justified the wisdom of the people in their claim.

## SCHOOL NO. 20—NORTH POLAND SCHOOL.

This school is located at Mechanic Falls. This being the first year that this school has been in the hands of the town, it may be well to state here that a new house has been erected and the old house repaired, the expense of which is shown elsewhere, and we have a pleasant, commodious and comfortable structure, convenient for three departments.

Owing to building and repairing, the summer term was held with District No. 1, of Minot.

Fall term, High School, was taught by Herbert J. Piper, of Phillips. Owing to the sickness of the teacher the school closed unexpectedly and the usual closing visit was not made. The sixth week the school appeared to be prospering finely.

Grammar department, Mrs. Anna Sedgley, of Gorham, teacher. She is a teacher of large experience, and possesses excellent qualifications. Her pupils are well disciplined, and the orderly and thorough manner that they perform their work is sufficient evidence that the right teacher is in the right place. We are ever proud to welcome the visitor.

Primary department, Miss Isabella A. Gray, teacher. Miss G. has been in this department for several terms, and we need only to say that her methods of teaching the young minds how to think for themselves are so perfect, that her services are almost indispensable. Long may she reign.

Winter term, High school, Mr. Ernest O. Cobb, of Minot, teacher. He is a teacher who possesses both energy and ability, and his labors in this school are crowned with the best of success.

The school is now in session, as is also the Grammar and Primary departments, with the same instructors as the Fall terms, with the same good results. We believe the teachers of this school should be retained.

## SCHOOL NO. 21—TRIPP CITY.

Summer term, Miss Nellie Pulsifer, teacher. This was her first experience, and her success was a credit to her labors.

Winter term, Curtis L. Sopher, teacher. He is a teacher without experience, and his success here indicates that he will make a teacher of the first rank.

## SCHOOL NO. 22—POLAND CORNER.

Summer term, Miss Meda E. Thayer, of Minot, teacher. She is a teacher who takes deep interest in her work, and her school was a perfect success.

Fall and Winter terms were taught by Mr. Anson Cobb, of Minot. Mr. C. is an excellent teacher. His labors were highly appreciated, and the scholars made rapid and thorough progress.

## SCHOOL NO. 25—RIDGE DISTRICT.

Summer term was taught by Miss Ella L. Dunn. The school seemed to be doing well at our first visit, but so few scholars were present at the close that we were hardly able to judge of the advancement made.

The winter term was instructed by Miss Mary E. Jordan, who met with the same good success that has crowned her efforts in former terms. The advancement was rapid and the order perfect. Miss Jordan is a teacher whom few can equal, none excel.

## SCHOOL NO. 27—PAGE'S MILLS.

There was but one term in this district, Miss Mary W. Gowell, teacher. Her school was a perfect success.

## REMARKS.

Our schools for the past year have been in a great measure successful, perhaps not all that we could desire, but in nearly every instance the teachers employed have been competent and faithful to their duty.

It is difficult at present to avail ourselves of all the advantages afforded by graded schools, but under our present system with liberal appropriations and a careful and judicious selection of teachers, we see no reason why our pupils may not receive at home, a good, practical English education.

From the amount unexpended, the expense of the High School now in session at West Poland is to be deducted, but as will be seen from the statistics, about four hundred dollars will still remain in the treasury.

As our expenses for building and repairing school-houses during the past year have been necessarily large, extra care has been taken not to exceed the amount appropriated for school purposes.— Hence, Fall terms were not held in every district, but in such as to accommodate nearly all our pupils. This accounts for the amount unexpended, but it is safe to say that the appropriation *would have given* three terms in every district.

Trusting that our fellow citizens will pardon us for leaving a balance in the treasury, the above report is

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. THURLOW,	} S. S. Committee	
FRANK E. HANSCOM,		of
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