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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF POLAND

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 24,

1894.

LEWISTON, ME.,
PRINTED BY W. H. WEEKS,
1894.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

V. P. WATERHOUSE, R. S. HERRICK,
L. T. BROWN.

TOWN AGENT.

V. P. WATERHOUSE.

CLERK AND TREASURER.

F. A. PULSIFER.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

R. J. EVERETT.

COLLECTOR AND CONSTABLE.

SIDNEY DAICY.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

DR. JASON WALKER, B. M. FERNALD,
F. B. SHACKFORD.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The annual report of the Appropriations and Expenditures of the Town of Poland for the year ending February 20, 1894, is herewith presented.

Valuation of property 100 per cent.

Resident real estate,	\$478,413
Resident personal estate,	97,342
Non-resident real estate,	84,960
Non-resident personal estate,	9,495
	\$670,210

Total valuation, \$670,210

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:

State tax,	\$2,017 32
County tax,	874 09
By vote of Town,	12,675 00
Overlay,	474 54
	\$16,040 95

Total assessment, \$16,040 95

Committed to Sidney Daicy, Collector, 1893.

Money tax, \$23.00 on \$1,000.00.

Poll tax, \$2.00.

Number of polls, 313.

Highway tax, \$5.00 on \$1,000.00.

Poll tax, \$1.50.

We committed the sum of \$3,500.00 with overlay of \$175.00; also a supplement tax of \$145.55, making in all the sum of \$3,820.55 to the Highway Surveyors of the several districts.

SNOW BILLS OF 1892.

APPROVED BY WM. E. BLAIR, ROAD COMMISSIONER.

A. J. Weston,	\$ 1 99
D. F. Bray,	38 80
Simon Libby,	16 75
George Record,	11 17
George Tobie,	7 05
Wm. E. Blair, part pay for services,	25 00

2599.

Leon McKnight,	1 50
C. H. Nevins,	37 00
G. W. Blair,	5 75
Edgar Foster,	72 60
Bailey Brothers,	4 80
G. B. Thurston,	1 50
C. S. Strout,	11 70
Elmer Tripp,	8 30
E. M. Strout,	11 25
J. G. Davis,	7 95
Chas. L. Hackett,	89 15
W. A. McCann,	2 50
L. D. Edgescomb,	2 00
C. W. Dunn,	5 12
Mary Locke,	4 57
E. G. Gossum,	6 00
Fred Sawyer,	3 75
H. J. Brown,	4 00
George Record,	15 30
O. A. Schellinger,	16 33
H. J. Brown,	63 60
Jonathan Berry,	5 70
J. C. Goodall,	6 93
J. C. Berry,	10 02
L. S. Wheeler,	1 80
G. W. Strout,	20 50
W. L. Merrill,	3 30
George Russell,	8 62
J. N. Carpenter,	5 70
Fred Carpenter,	4 00
Ward Strout,	8 55
James Goodall,	19 00
A. B. Cobb,	10 05
Storer Brothers,	25 87
Jordan & Pulsifer,	26 95
Charles G. Morrill,	5 70
Moses Archibald,	26 55
Wm. L. Boothby,	4 00
Jonas Edwards,	14 70
J. W. Boothby,	6 67
F. B. Shackford,	53 82
F. S. Keene,	18 20
Winslow Frank,	6 00
S. S. Waterhouse,	4 35

Frank Strout,	47 35
R. S. Herrick, watering tub,	3 00
R. S. Rowe,	4 95
D. F. Bray,	23 07
James Goodall,	12 70
L. Bryant,	24 45
George Perkins,	5 85
S. N. Haskell,	58 58
R. J. Crooker,	4 19
H. H. Waterhouse,	4 12
Thos. Verrill,	13 50
G. C. Griffin,	2 10
E. Griffin,	3 38
E. G. Knight,	3 53
Reuben Dunn,	20 90
Geo. Dyer,	3 90
Mark Gammon,	2 17
J. W. Dunn,	11 85
O. G. Dyer,	17 26
George Herrick,	3 82
J. W. & C. F. Morse,	17 40
G. O. Goodwin & Co.,	145 50
J. S. Schellinger,	36 26
G. A. Pulsifer,	2 70
I. H. & E. A. Keene,	17 80
S. C. Spiller,	12 65
Wm. Tripp,	3 60
Darius Jordan,	43 65
O. W. Thurston,	21 77
Thos. J. Strout,	25 53
J. H. McCann,	13 20
H. A. Gerry,	1 65
Mark Haskell,	9 14
S. A. Megquire,	1 00
I. H. Judkins,	3 50
A. Russell,	11 30
J. H. Stanton,	1 27
A. K. Damon,	40 33
M. L. Mills,	5 10
J. K. Denning,	8 15
C. L. Keene,	6 25
F. L. Thurston,	5 00
Sidney Daicy,	25 55
Edgar Foster,	32 69

R. A. Keene,	4 65
A. R. Stanton,	9 75
J. P. Grant,	40 15
E. L. Dudley,	8 85
D. W. Pulsifer,	61 80
H. F. Waterhouse,	4 95
H. L. Frank,	33 60
D. G. Waterhouse,	10 30
H. S. Bonney,	19 70
S. L. Harris,	12 43
A. W. Smith,	1 00
Wm. Greenbanks,	9 75
Hurbert Jordan,	24 62
Mrs. Disoscia,	7 00
G. W. Strout,	6 44
F. B. Megquire,	4 70
R. S. Herrick, paid for damages received,	25 00
Hawkes & Whitney,	3 94
N. Q. Pope,	128 63
O. S. Keene,	30 00
Edwin Emery,	8 55
J. F. Welch,	4 87
J. W. Mitchell,	8 05
James Crips,	11 85
Wm. T. Everett,	5 00
Albert Burnham,	14 35
C. H. Cobb,	15 60
Frank Haskell,	6 00
G. O. Goodwin & Co.,	6 13
C. L. Hilborn,	9 30
O. A. Taylor,	3 25

\$2,074 28

ROAD BILLS OF 1893.

R. S. Herrick,	\$ 1 65
H. H. Waterhouse,	4 50
C. H. Mitchell, repairs on road machine,	8 25
Daniel Strout, cutting bushes,	9 00
Henry Bonney, labor and cash paid for same,	51 50
Chas. H. Nevins,	88 00
L. B. Grant,	6 00
F. B. Shackford,	14 53
W. H. Hodsden,	10 09

L. B. Grant	12 70
Henry Bonney, cash paid for labor,	10 00
Jonas Edwards, damage by defect of road,	200 00
Chas. Mitchell, repairs on road machine,	16 00
C. S. Strout, fencing and lighting road near R. R. cut, Empire,	15 50
Ward Strout,	5 00
Washington Strout	12 00
Mathew Berry,	19 00
Frank Strout,	10 50
Robt. Haggett, watering tub,	5 00
Trustees of Excelsior Grange, watering tub,	3 00
C. H. Nevins,	40 48
C. H. Nevins,	65 12
C. H. Cobb,	50
Dennis Brogdon,	8 30
K. W. Daicy, damages,	4 00
A. J. Doughty,	3 00
Wm. Tripp,	2 00
Elmer Everett,	10 80
J. H. McCann,	26 20
Charles Strout,	60
S. M. Bean, painting iron bridge, Minot Corner,	9 25
Fred Rowe,	1 60
E. G. Knight,	6 00
Whitman, Durgin and Hackett, snow,	4 97
Elmer Everett, “	47 05
Lewis Walker, “	75
O. A. Schellinger, “	24 90
Freeman Smith, “	2 55
Dennis Brogdon, “	3 00
Daniel Tripp, “	1 80
Calvin Tripp,	3 12
O. W. Thurston,	21 73
M. L. Mills, snow,	6 88
G. A. Hanscomb, “	2 18
G. O. Goodwin & Co., “	53 32
G. O. Goodwin & Co., “	16 25
James Goodall,	75
Edgar Foster,	40 29

\$909 61

CHIPMAN BRIDGE.

Sumner Gowell, labor and cash paid for same,	\$136 60	
A. S. Fuller, building abutments,	310 00	
F. B. Shackford, labor and cash paid for same,	171 64	
J. F. Wescott, timber and labor,	33 60	
Deering, Winslow & Co., lumber for bridge,	69 25	
	<hr/>	\$721 09

NEW COUNTY ROAD TO WEST POLAND.

Frank Rawson, for labor,	\$ 7 25	
C. H. Cobb, as per contract and extra work,	922 00	
C. H. Nevins,	88 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,017 25

COST OF POOR NOT ON THE FARM.

BILLS CONTRACTED IN 1892, PAID IN 1893.

Boy of Demerritt Churchill,	\$ 30 00	
Otis Haskell,	5 41	
Boy of Fostina Chase,	5 50	
Tramps,	59 99	
Chas. Woodsum,	52 62	
Osgood Cole,	13 00	
Geo. Walker, rent,	7 50	
Coffin for boy of Wm. Cash,	10 00	
D. Churchill,	86 07	
Fostina Chase,	6 25	
Levi A. Trip, rent,	21 75	
C. Thurlow,	3 00	
W. Cash,	6 27	
Benjamin Brogdon,	1 00	
J. L. Tobie,	35 17	
Mrs. M. Keene, Insane Hospital,	25 87	
Susie E. Everett, Insane Hospital,	45 34	
Edwin Field,	10 50	
Chas. Knight,	8 50	
E. H. Field,	19 50	
Timothy Berry,	109 60	
Waldron Harris,	11 00	
Florence Rowe, Insane Hospital,	23 77	
Laura Hunnewell,	20 00	
Dexter Taylor,	5 00	
Mrs. Amos Harris,	9 90	
	<hr/>	\$632 51

COST OF POOR AWAY FROM FARM, 1893.

Benjamin Brogdon,	\$ 1 40	
Dexter Taylor,	27 89	
Amos Harris,	45 50	
Mary Snell,	60 50	
Susie E. Everett, Insane Hospital,	109 58	
Chas. F. Thurlow,	17 62	
Otis N. Haskell, at Hartford,	31 30	
Waldron Harris,	20 50	
Chas. Woodman, at Oxford,	25 00	
John Partridge, at Farmington,	10 50	
J. W. Mills, Insane Hospital,	36 30	
C. P. H. Welcott, State,	11 00	
Italians, State,	54 39	
John Strout,	6 50	
E. H. Field, at New Gloucester, sickness,	42 00	
C. E. Knight, at New Gloucester, sickness,	54 51	
Lewis T. Smith at Gray,	20 16	
Joseph Strout at Raymond, sickness,	12 00	
E. F. Field at New Gloucester, sickness,	87 57	
Balance against town farm,	139 91	
	<hr/>	\$814 13

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

Osgood Cole,	\$90 50	
A. Levi Tripp, rent and supplies,	38 00	
Timothy Berry,	69 00	
George W. Walker, rent and supplies,	38 50	
	<hr/>	\$234 00
Total cost of poor,		<hr/> \$1,048 13

COST OF POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Fostina Chase, Dixfield pauper,	\$28 80	
C. R. Strout, Raymond pauper,	17 50	
Thomas Kneeland, Lincoln,	20 60	
James Hodskins, Gray pauper,	38 50	
Families of Elisha and Alphonso Hodskins,	24 35	
Richard Merriman, Dennyville,	30 78	
	<hr/>	\$160 53

ABATEMENTS, DISCOUNT AND COLLECTORS' COMMISSION.

D. B. Waterhouse, abatement on taxes of 1890,	\$151 14	
D. B. Waterhouse, abatement on taxes of 1891,	167 85	
D. B. Waterhouse, commission as collector of 1890 and 1891,	254 59	
Zenas Lane, collector of taxes 1892, abatement and commission,	264 21	
Sidney Daicy, collector of taxes 1893, abatement and discount,	441 50	
Simon Libby, tax of 1891,	2 00	
Mrs. Geo. L. Reed, tax of 1891,	7 50	
J. P. Dunn, error,	5 75	
C. H. Cobb,	4 60	
Edgar Foster,	2 30	
J. & A. Auger, tax of 1891,	4 50	
J. K. Denning, error,	3 00	
G. W. Record,	3 50	
		\$1,312 44

SCHOOLS.

Appropriated by town,	\$2,500 00	
Received from State,	946 87	
Free High School, town,	250 00	
Free High School, State,	250 00	
Due from Minot, tuition,	108 92	
Due from Oxford, tuition, '93,	18 00	
		\$4,073.79
Total school fund,		
Orders drawn on bills approved by R. J. Everett, Supervisor,		3,990 92
		\$82 87

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE AT MOUSAM MILLS.

Paid J. W. Boothby, as per contract,	\$680 00	
J. W. Boothby, putting up seats,	7 50	
J. L. Hammett, for furniture,	87 15	
R. J. Everett, freight on furniture,	12 60	
		\$787 25
Total amount expended		
Appropriated by town,	\$800 00	
Amount expended as above,	787 25	
		\$12 75
Balance in favor of town,		

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Appropriated by town,	\$275 00	
Amount expended,	141 24	
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Balance in favor of town,		\$133 76

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Appropriated by town,	\$325 00	
Orders drawn for repairs,	143 90	
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Balance in favor of town,		\$181 10

CONTINGENT EXPENSES, 1892.

Paid Dr. E. F. Bradford, board of health, 1892,	\$12 00	
B. M. Fernald, board of health, 1892,	10 00	
G. W. Blair, police,	2 00	
J. G. Davis, cash paid out,	10 51	
S. H. Davis, setting stones on Maxwell place,	2 50	
J. G. Davis, cash paid out,	2 15	
F. E. Tufts, auditor,	20 00	
Wm. L. Boothby, land damage,	1 50	
S. H. Davis, services as selectman,	57 25	
J. G. Davis, balance due for services as selectman,	161 00	
Wm. E. Blair, balance due as road com- missioner,	171 50	
Wm. E. Blair, cash paid out,	3 00	
Zenas Lane, services as treasurer,	102 00	
F. E. Hanscom, balance due as supervisor,	163 50	
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		\$718 91

1893.

Paid L. T. Brown, cash paid out,	\$ 1 33	
Merrill & Denning, Town books,	13 60	
Ledger Pub. Co., printing Town report,	52 80	
V. P. Waterhouse, cash paid out,	14 13	
George Blair, printing notices,	2 00	
Mosier & Co., blank book,	2 25	
V. P. Waterhouse, cash paid out as per bill,	19 58	
Dr. E. F. Bradford, recording births and deaths, 1892,	2 25	
F. A. Pulsifer, stationery for treasury,	10 73	
R. W. Smiles, for school lot, So. W. O. H.,	20 00	

V. P. Waterhouse, cash paid out,	13 97
Town Mc Falls, amount overpaid on debt,	18 83
Thomas Verrill, sheep killed by dogs,	5 00
J. M. Libby, professional services, 1892,	13 80
E. J. Pulsifer, sheep killed by dogs,	6 00
S. L. Littlefield, services at pauper hearing,	4 00
J. I. Chipman, services at pauper hearing,	2 00
J. G. Davis, services at pauper hearing,	2 00
V. P. Waterhouse, part pay for services, 1893,	50 00
V. P. Waterhouse, paid for sundries and at pauper hearing,	28 43
F. B. Shackford, for clothes destroyed by Board of Health for Wm. Tripp's boy,	2 50
W. W. Denning, to decorate soldiers' graves,	25 00
J. A. Morrill, professional advice and services at pauper hearing,	58 77
B. M. Fernald, board of health, 1893,	10 00
Zenas Lane, tax on J. B. Poland's farm owned by Town,	7 00
D. B. Waterhouse, tax on Poland's farm,	9 12
G. O. Goodwin & Co., wood for office, 1892,	85
Zenas Lane, to correct error,	12 47
F. A. Pulsifer, paid out for Town,	12 00
D. B. Waterhouse, for taxes sold to Town,	84 71

\$1,212 03

RESOURCES.

DUES FROM TOWNS AND PERSONS.

Dixfield,	\$ 41 80
Casco,	7 00
J. W. Mills,	36 30
Augusta,	23 35
Gray,	42 69
Susan E. Everett,	138 73
Buckfield & Rumford Falls R. R. Co.,	223 00
Lewis N. Hayes,	15 00
O. A. & B. F. Schellinger,	15 10
Arthur Thurlow,	6 00
Resident taxes sold to Town and Non-resident due,	167 85
Due from Zenas Lane, collector, 1892,	1,921 70
Due from Sidney Daicy, collector, 1893,	8,685 68
Cash in treasury,	946 21

\$12,270 41

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders at 4 and 4½ per cent.,	\$15,536 38
Outstanding order not at interest,	1,005 39
Town Bonds,	7,500 00
Town officers' bills estimated,	610 00
Due Dr. Jason Walker, attending town poor,	60 00
Due Board of Health,	20 00
Pauper bills estimated,	100 00
Highway bills estimated,	100 00
Due pauper commission estimated, one-half for Poland,	50 00
Due L. Thurlow, services on town farm to Feb. 20, 1894,	85 12
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	\$25,066 89
Less resources,	12,270 41
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Net indebtedness,	\$12,796 48

The Town is now paying interest on bonds and orders to the amount of \$23,036.38.

Respectfully submitted,

V. P. WATERHOUSE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
R. S. HERRICK,	
L. T. BROWN,	

of
Poland.

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

Dr.

STOCK ON HAND MARCH 28, 1893,

1 horse,	\$100 00	
4 cows,	90 00	
2 three-year-old heifers,	40 00	
1 yearling heifer,	8 00	
3 shoats,	24 00	
1 breeding sow,	25 00	
13 hens,	6 50	
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Total stock on hand,		\$293 50

HAY, GRAIN AND GROCERIES ON HAND.

8½ tons good hay, reckoned 500 feet for ton,	\$150 00	
4 tons rough fodder,	32 00	
15 bushels barley,	12 00	
1½ barrels flour,	7 00	
1 barrel pork,	20 00	
½ barrel crackers,	1 13	
32 gallons molasses,	10 24	
15 pounds lard,	2 10	
15 pounds butter,	3 00	
4 pounds sugar,	24	
20 pounds dried apples,	1 60	
8 pounds fish,	40	
3 pounds coffee,	84	
Soda, spices etc.,	1 64	
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Total hay, grain, groceries on hand,		\$242 19

STOCK BOUGHT DURING YEAR.

1 yoke of oxen,	\$148 00	
1 yoke of oxen,	135 00	
1 cow,	27 00	
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Total paid out for stock,		\$310 00

OTHER EXPENDITURES.

Groceries and grain,	\$319 52	
Household articles,	8 68	
Clothing,	31 09	
Repairs on barn,	59 05	
Repairing mowing machine, plow, etc.,	7 35	
Haying bills,	47 75	
Cutting 35 cords of wood,	18 00	
All other help on the farm during year,	43 95	
Blacksmithing,	15 17	
Phosphate,	16 20	
Services of stock animals,	5 50	
Farrier bill and medicines,	5 57	
Farming tools bought,	20 79	
Paid Arthur Thurlow, as overseer, from March 28 to April 8, '93,	7 37	
Paid Luther Thurlow as overseer, from April 8, '93, to Feb. 20, '94,	217 80	
		\$823 78
Total farm debits,		\$1,669 48

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STOCK NOW ON THE FARM.

1 yoke oxen,	\$135 00	
5 cows,	125 00	
1 horse,	100 00	
1 breeding sow,	25 00	
4 shoats,	32 00	
35 hens,	17 50	
Total stock,		\$434 50

PRODUCE, GROCERIES, ETC., ON HAND.

12 tons good hay, reckoned 500 ft. for ton,	\$180 00
2½ tons low ground hay, reck'd 700 ft. for ton,	20 00
Straw,	8 00
14 bushels barley,	11 20
Grain and feed,	5 50
45 bushels potatoes,	22 50
17 bushels turnips,	6 00
4 bushels beans,	8 00

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6 barrels apples,	12 00	
1½ barrels pork,	30 00	
1 barrel flour,	4 00	
¼ barrel crackers,	60	
6 dozen eggs,	1 00	
10 pounds butter,	2 00	
7 pounds lard,	80	
30 pounds sugar,	1 50	
30 pounds dried apple,	1 50	
10 gallons molasses,	3 50	
Other groceries,	2 75	
1050 feet pine and hemlock lumber,	10 00	
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Total,		\$330 85

STOCK SOLD DURING THE YEAR.

1 yoke oxen,	\$160 00	
1 cow and calf,	34 50	
1 cow,	30 00	
1 heifer,	10 00	
3 veal calves,	19 00	
1 calf,	1 00	
18 pigs,	54 50	
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Total stock sold,		\$309 00

PRODUCE SOLD.

Sweet corn,	\$50 72	
Cream to Poland Dairy Association, checks received,	155 39	
Due from Poland Dairy Association, estimated,	24 00	
Butter, cream and milk to individuals,	6 85	
Poultry and eggs,	20 87	
Pork,	3 15	
Hay to Mellen Mills and others,	20 19	
Straw,	75	
Due from Thomas Strout for two tons hay,	36 00	
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Total amount received for produce,		\$317 92

RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES,

Old tools sold,	4 00	
Boarding Richard Merriam, and others,	32 50	
Pasturing cattle, and letting horse,	7 75	
Due from Arthur Thurlow for boarding colt,	5 00	
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Total received for board, pasturing, etc.,		\$49 25

SAVED TO THE TOWN.

By work on the highway,	\$20 00	
By boarding Osgood Cole, a "dependent soldier,"	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$44 00
Total farm credit,		\$1,485 52
Total farm debit,		1,669 48
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Balance against farm,		\$183 96
Paid salary of last year's overseer and farm bills contracted from Feb. 20, to Mar. 28, '93,		\$86 44

INMATES OF TOWN FARM.

ALL THE YEAR.

Benjamin Brogdon.
 Waldron Harris.
 Adeline Cushman.
 Betsey Orr.

PART OF THE YEAR.

Emma Cushman.
 Tom Kneeland.
 Mrs. Anna Harris.
 Richard Merriam.
 Charles Burnett.

By his own request, Osgood Cole is still at the farm.

The overseer of the farm, and his wife, have been faithful in the discharge of their duties, and everything has been kept neat and in good order. The inmates have been kindly cared for, and we find the stock on the farm in thrifty condition. A portion of the expense for labor has been paid to individuals who would have otherwise required assistance from the town.

Sickness during the winter has required more fires to be kept than usual, and a large amount of wood has been consumed. There is now about fifteen cords of wood at the door, a part of which is fitted; and five, or more, cords cut, but not yet hauled from the wood lot.

We think the salary paid for superintending the farm has been fully earned.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

To the Citizens of the Town of Poland:

I herewith present my account as Town Treasurer for the financial year ending February 26, 1894.

DR.

Cash in treasury from Zenas Lane, ex-treasurer,	\$1,310 66
From D. B. Waterhouse, collector for 1890,	108 47
D. B. Waterhouse, 1891,	3,081 85
Zenas Lane, 1892,	5,291 76
Sidney Daicy, 1893,	7,355 27
For non-resident taxes, 1888,	64 14
Non-resident taxes, 1891,	61 91
Non-resident taxes, 1892,	312 77
Resident taxes, 1890,	6 84
Resident taxes, 1891,	39 42
From State for Free High School,	224 00
State for Soldiers' aid,	72 00
State for re-imbusement on sheep,	11 00
V. P. Waterhouse, guardian of J. W. Mills,	93 51
V. P. Waterhouse, guardian of Betsey Orr,	91 54
L. T. Brown, guardian of Susie E. Everett,	325 00
Town Farm, sweet corn,	50 72
Town Farm, cream check,	20 56
Town Farm, hay sold to Mellen Mills,	8 50
R. S. Herrick, oxen sold from Town Farm,	160 00
Town of Minot, school tuition,	205 02
Town of Denneysville, pauper bill,	30 00
Town of Lincoln, pauper bill,	20 60
Town of Raymond, pauper bill,	42 77
Dog licenses,	161 00
Selectmen, on orders,	175 00
Selectmen, on orders,	183 00
Selectmen, on orders,	320 00
Selectmen, on orders,	262 00

Selectmen, on orders,	1,000 00
Selectmen, on orders,	740 00
J. H. DeCoster, on fine,	10 00
McFalls, on County tax,	587 28
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	\$22,425 24

Dr.

BY CASH PAID OUT.

Orders bearing interest,	\$12,461 70
Orders not bearing interest,	4,240 33
Interest on orders,	793 44
Interest on orders,	409 00
Paid State on State tax,	2,017 32
State on dog licenses,	161 00
County tax,	1,443 37
Aid to soldiers,	72 00
Cash in treasury,	927 78
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	\$22,425 24

F. A. PULSIFER,
Treasurer of Poland.

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the Citizens of Poland:

In accordance with custom and as required by law, the Supervisor of schools presents the following statement of the conditions, progress and expenditures of your schools for the municipal year ending March 1, 1894.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Whole number of pupils in town,	387
Whole number attending Summer schools,	271
Average number attending Summer schools,	227
Whole number attending Fall schools,	278
Average number attending Fall schools,	231
Whole number attending Winter schools,	284
Average number attending Winter schools,	229
Number of terms taught by male teachers,	8
Number of terms taught by female teachers,	45
Average wages of male teachers per month, excluding board,	\$25 12
Average wages of female teachers per week, excluding board,	\$4 20
Average price of board per week for male teachers,	\$2 62
Average price of board per week for female teachers,	\$2 25

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Town appropriation for common schools,	\$2,500 00
Received from State for common schools,	946 87
Town appropriation for Free High school,	250 00
Amount from State for Free High school,	250 00
Due from town of Minot for tuition,	108 92
Due from Oxford for tuition, 1893,	18 00
Total,	<hr/> \$4,073 79

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Summer schools,	\$ 989 00
Fall schools,	1,200 25
Winter schools,	1,321 75

Fuel,	263 01
Town of Raymond for tuition,	23 64
All other expenses,	193 27

Total, \$3,990 92

Amount unexpended, \$82 87

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Appropriation,	\$275 00
Amount expended,	141 24

Remainder, \$133 76

TABULAR VIEWS OF SCHOOLS.

SUMMER TERM.

No. of School.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	No. of Weeks.	No. of Scholars.	Av. Attendance.	Not absent ½ day.	Daily Recitations.	Wages per Week Excluding Board.	Price of Board per Week.	Total Cost of the Term.
1	Isabelle S. Jordan	10	8	6	3	27	\$2.75	\$2.00	\$47.50
2	Jennie Latham	8	16	13	7	23	3.00	2.00	40.00
3	Isabelle Day	9	22	18	1	23	6.00	2.50	76.50
4	Hannah Waterhouse	10	27	26	7	35	3.50	2.00	55.00
5	Carrie L. Soule	9	15	13	1	30	4.00	2.00	54.00
6	Mary L. Kimball	10	22	20	5	36	4.50	2.00	65.00
8	W. L. Mower (high school)	10	24	16	1	18	7.00	3.00	100.00
8	Elzada L. Carville (primary)	10	30	25	3	25	4.50	2.50	70.00
9	Grace E. Bumpus	10	12	10	3	24	4.00	2.50	65.00
10	Fannie Waterhouse	10	6	5	2	12	2.25	2.00	42.50
14	Carrie Rice	10	11	10	2	23	3.50	2.50	60.00
15	Helen Mae Faunce	9	7	5	1	18	3.00	2.00	45.00
16	Jennie Farnam	9	11	7	0	35	3.50	2.00	49.50
18	Sadie Cobb	10	12	10	2	30	3.00	2.00	50.00
21	Nellie M. Pulsifer	8	9	8	3	28	3.75	1.75	44.00
22	Annie G. Hall	10	26	24	3	20	5.00	2.50	75.00
25	Maude Knowlton	10	13	11	2	28	3.00	2.00	50.00

Total Cost of Summer Schools, \$989.00

FALL TERM.

No. of School.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	No. of Weeks.	No. of Scholars.	Av. Attendance.	Not absent $\frac{1}{2}$ day.	Daily Recitations.	Wages per Week Excluding Board.	Price of Board per Week.	Total Cost of the Term.
1	Isadelle S. Jordan	10	7	6	0	26	\$3.25	\$2.00	\$52.50
2	F. W. Robinson	10	22	13	1	29	4.50	2.00	65.00
3	Elzada L. Carville	8	18	16	8	28	6.00	2.50	68.00
4	Clarence E. Haskell	10	24	22	4	34	5.75	2.50	82.50
5	Ina G. Rounds	10	18	14	3	16	5.00	2.50	75.00
6	Nellie B. Michels	10	25	20	3	26	4.50	2.25	67.50
8	W. H. S. Ellingwood (high)	10	15	11	2	20	7.50	2.50	100.00
8	Belle J. Nash (primary)	10	18	15	3	20	4.50	2.50	70.00
7	Addie O. Denning	10	25	24	7	19	5.00	2.00	70.00
9	Grace E. Bumpus	10	13	11	0	31	4.25	2.50	67.50
10	Amy Newport	10	7	5	3	20	3.00	2.00	50.00
14	Carrie Rice	10	12	10	3	23	4.00	2.50	65.00
15	Helen Mac Faunce	10	8	7	1	27	3.50	2.00	55.00
16	Viola Burnham	10	7	5	1	20	3.75	2.00	57.50
18	Alma Sawyer	10	12	11	3	25	3.75	2.00	57.50
21	Maude Knowlton	11	7	6	1	22	3.75	2.00	63.25
22	Virginia Weston	10	28	24	6	37	5.50	2.50	80.00
25	Bertie Phillips	9	12	11	5	11	4.00	2.00	54.00

Total Cost of Fall Term, \$1,500.25

WINTER TERM.

1	M. Ida Stinchfield	10	7	6	4	20	\$3.50	\$2.50	\$60.00
2	Herman Haskell	12	11	8	1	20	5.00	2.50	90.00
3	Elzada L. Carville	12	20	17	5	30	6.00	2.75	105.00
4	Frances Wells	10	29	25	0	30	6.00	2.50	85.00
5	Ina G. Rounds	10	16	12	4	16	5.00	2.50	75.00
6	Lida H. Merrill	9	19	16	2	30	5.50	2.50	72.00
7	Addie O. Denning	10	26	22	2	18	5.50	2.25	77.50
8	Henry Parsons	10	32	25	4	34	9.50	3.00	125.00
9	Bertha E. Wayland	10	12	11	0	19	4.50	2.50	70.00
10	Minnie C. Woodsum	9	10	8	1	25	3.50	2.00	49.50
14	Carrie Rice	10	12	9	2	24	4.50	2.50	70.00
15	Clarence E. Haskell	11	12	9	1	25	5.00	2.50	82.50
16	Isabelle S. Jordan	11	11	6	1	30	3.75	2.00	63.25
18	E. R. Cobb.	10	13	12	1	28	5.00	2.50	75.00
21	Mary Gowell	8	8	5	1	23	4.00	2.50	52.00
22	Grace E. Bumpus	10	30	21	2	33	6.00	2.75	87.50
25	Bertie Phillips	11	14	12	6	14	5.00	2.50	82.50

Total Cost of Winter Term, \$1,321.75

SCHOOL No. 1, RANGE HILL.

Summer and Fall terms taught by Miss Isabelle S. Jordan, of New Gloucester. While Miss Jordan came to this school without experience as a teacher, she possessed that natural tact and perseverance so frequently wanting in even older teachers. Good progress was made by the pupils under her instruction.

Winter term was taught by M. Ida Stinchfield, a teacher of considerable experience. The school appeared well at each of my visits and I think that a fair amount of work was accomplished.

SCHOOL No. 2, BLACKCAT.

By request of the people in the district, Miss Jennie Latham was placed in charge of the Summer term. Miss Latham worked hard for the best interests of her pupils and I think that the people were well satisfied with their choice.

Fall term was taught by Mr. F. W. Robinson. Mr. Robinson seemed to labor conscientiously, but failure in discipline detracted from the success of the school.

Winter term, Mr. Hermon Haskell of West Poland. Mr. Haskell was successful in disciplining this school to a degree much to his own credit and the profitableness of the term. Attendance was somewhat irregular, yet very good progress was made.

SCHOOL No. 3, WEST POLAND.

Miss Isabelle Day of Lewiston, taught the Summer term. Miss Day brought to her work that love and enthusiasm which are indispensable to first class school work. Good order and rapid advancement were creditable results.

Fall and Winter terms were taught by Miss E. L. Carville, also of Lewiston. Miss Carville will be remembered as a teacher who had previously taught many successful terms in this town. The present terms have been characterized by her usual earnest devotion to the advancement of her pupils. These were pleasant and profitable terms.

SCHOOL No. 4, WHITE OAK HILL.

Mrs. Hannah Waterhouse, a former teacher, taught the Summer term. Mrs. Waterhouse is earnest in her endeavors to make her school homelike, and the work attractive and interesting to her pupils. Examinations were creditable to both teacher and pupils.

During the Fall term this school was in charge of Clarence E. Haskell, one of our experienced and well known teachers. Mr. Haskell realizes that the school room demands the earnest attention of every faculty. Good results rewarded his faithfulness.

Winter term was under the instruction of Miss Frances Wells of Mc Falls, who was thoroughly competent to carry forward the good work already done in this school. The work of Miss Wells was highly appreciated by pupils and parents.

SCHOOL NO. 5, POLAND SPRINGS.

Miss Carrie Soule of Phillips, was placed in charge of the Summer term. While Miss Soule tried hard to please, she failed to interest her pupils and the results were not what we expected.

For the Fall and Winter terms we were fortunate in again securing for this school, the services of Miss Ina G. Rounds. Too much can not be said in praise of the work done during these terms. Having a high idea of a teacher's duty, and aided by methods perfected through a tireless experience, Miss Rounds is deservedly popular with *all*. Discipline perfect, work both in quantity and quality all that could be desired.

SCHOOL NO. 6, EMPIRE.

The close of the year finds this school in good condition. Miss Mary L. Kimball who taught the Summer term was well qualified for the place and did exceedingly good work.

Being unable to retain Miss Kimball, the Fall term was accepted by Miss Nellie B. Michels of Bates College. Miss Michels succeeded admirably in pleasing her pupils. Quite good progress was made, but the discipline was hardly what it should have been.

The Winter term, under the instruction of Miss Lida Merrill, was characterized by regular attendance, ready obedience and rapid and intelligent progress. Miss Merrill is a *live* teacher whom we should be glad to see here again.

SCHOOL NO. 7, MOUSAM.

This school was established by vote of town at the last annual meeting, most of the pupils being drawn from No. 8, Minot Corner. A neat and commodious house was completed in season for the Fall term. Both the Fall and Winter terms have been taught by Miss Addie Denning, and have resulted in much profit to her pupils. Miss Denning is very enthusiastic in her work, and is firm in her belief that the *early* years of the child need more attention. Results in Language work were especially gratifying.

SCHOOL NO. 8, MINOT CORNER.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

While the entire work of the year has been progressive, yet I think it has fallen short somewhat of what it should have been. Mr. Mower,

teacher, Summer term, brought to the school methods of instruction and an experience in teaching that would have assured much success had he maintained proper discipline. Examinations were creditable.

Fall term was taught by W. H. S. Ellingwood who proved himself a first-class teacher. Attendance good, order excellent, work done in a systematic and satisfactory manner.

Winter term. W. S. Parsons being obliged to resign on account of ill health, his place was filled until the end of the seventh week by his brother Mr. Henry Parsons. The term was then finished in a successful manner by Mr. L. C. Bridgham of West Minot.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss E. L. Carville, teacher of Summer term showed much tact in her instruction in this department. Miss Carville gave entire satisfaction to the people of this district.

Fall term, taught by Miss Belle J. Nash, was in every way a profitable school. Miss Nash is a bright, wide awake and popular teacher.

For the winter term, on account of the withdrawal of so many pupils to No. 7, it was deemed advisable to merge this school with the Grammar, which was accordingly done.

SCHOOL No. 9, BAILEY HILL.

During the Summer and Fall terms, this school has continued in charge of Miss Grace E. Bumpus of Hebron, making three consecutive terms under her instruction. Miss Bumpus is a teacher of much energy and rare executive ability. Rapid progress has been made during these terms.

Miss Jennie Farnam was engaged for the Winter term, but failing to get from her pupils that ready obedience necessary to pleasant and profitable school work she resigned her place at the end of one week. Miss Farnam is a fine scholar and from personal knowledge of her work elsewhere, I believe she will make a very successful teacher. The term was continued successfully by Miss Bertha E. Wayland of Gorham, N. H.

SCHOOL No. 10, HARRIS HILL.

Summer term taught by Miss Fannie Waterhouse. This was Miss Waterhouse's first experience in teaching. A good degree of interest was shown for so small a school.

Fall term, Miss Amy Newport, teacher. Miss Newport is a graduate of Mc Falls High School and well qualified for a larger and more advanced school.

Mrs. Woodsum, of Mc Falls, a teacher of considerable experience, conducted the Winter term in a manner highly satisfactory.

SCHOOL No. 14, LOWER OAK HILL.

A fortunate selection was made for this school in the person of Miss Carrie Rice of West Paris. Miss Rice was retained through the year, and by her energy and skillful management has made this one of the most profitable schools of the year.

SCHOOL No. 15, HERRICK VALLEY.

Miss Helen Mae Faunce of Norway, taught the Summer and Fall terms. While Miss Faunce gained her first experience in teaching in this school, yet much of her work would have done credit to one of years in the school room.

Winter term was under the instruction of Mr. Clarence E. Haskell, who fully sustained his reputation as a successful teacher.

SCHOOL No. 16, JOHNSON HILL.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Jennie Farnam of New Gloucester. Miss Farnam acquitted herself fully in this her first school. Much satisfaction was expressed by those interested.

Miss Viola Burnham taught the Fall term. Attendance was small, but not a fault of the teacher. Miss Burnham is a faithful and efficient teacher.

Winter term, Miss Isabelle S. Jordan. Miss Jordan has the elements of the true teacher; experience will place her high in the profession.

SCHOOL No. 18, HARDCRABBLE.

Summer term, Miss Sadie Cobb, teacher. Miss Cobb has a quiet, easy way in the school room which aids her materially in interesting her pupils. Examinations gave evidence of a profitable term.

Fall term was taught by Miss Alma Sawyer of Auburn. Miss Sawyer was diligent in her endeavors to make the school a success, and merited and received the approbation of her patrons.

Mr. E. R. Cobb, one of our former teachers, had charge of the Winter term. Regular attendance, perfect order, thorough preparation of lessons and careful explanation were the factors of his success.

SCHOOL No. 21, POLAND CITY.

Miss Nellie Pulsifer began the Summer term, but at the close of the fourth week, meeting with a severe accident, was obliged to give up the school. The term was finished by her brother, Mr. Geo. Pulsifer in a very creditable manner.

Fall term, Miss Maude Knowlton of Minot. Attendance and order good. Pupils seemed to take much interest in their work.

Under the instruction of Miss Mary Gowell, the Winter term was eminently successful.

SCHOOL NO. 22, POLAND CORNER.

The Summer term, taught by Miss Annie G. Hall, of Windham, was productive of good results. Miss Hall is one of our best teachers.

Fall term was taught by Miss Virginia Weston, of Bolster's Mills. Miss Weston worked very hard for her pupils, yet some failed to appreciate her efforts as much as they ought.

Miss Grace E. Bumpus taught the winter term. Miss Bumpus succeeded well in gaining the good will of her pupils, and in accomplishing a satisfactory amount of work.

SCHOOL NO. 25, PROMISED LAND.

Summer term was taught by Miss Maude Knowlton. Attendance was unsatisfactory, yet I think an average amount of work was accomplished.

Miss Bertie Phillips, of Oxford, taught the Fall and Winter terms, in a manner that gained for her the approval of parents, and the love and esteem of pupils.

REMARKS.

I am able to report your schools in good condition, and pupils as having made commendable progress. While I am well aware that, to satisfy the earnest instructor, as well as the honest critic, something very close to perfection is necessary, yet in general the work done by teachers and pupils has been gratifying to your Supervisor. Sickness, over which we have no control, has made some inroads. Teachers have not, in every instance, proved as efficient as could have been desired, but when defects have been discovered they have been remedied as speedily as possible, and in such a manner as the best interests of pupils seemed to demand. To the careful observer, it is well known that perfection is a rare article. Then why feel so dissatisfied when we do not find this immaculate blending of all the virtues in the teacher? From this do not infer that I would have you be content with a poor teacher; the best are none too good. I mean simply, that when we get a teacher who is zealous in her work, and generally capable, we should not be much in a hurry to exchange her for an uncertainty; but rather esteem as much as possible the good qualities instead of magnifying the defects. I think we make a mistake in allowing a really worthy teacher to leave the schools of Po-

land, if a reasonable salary, with even a shorter term of school would induce that teacher to remain. I know that there are others who agree with me in this, for they have, in at least two instances, contributed generously, the past year, to the financial support of their school rather than be subjected to a change of teachers.

GRADUATION,

The course of study, I believe, is growing in favor with all. Pupils now have something to look forward to. A limit is placed to their work in the common schools, and many who would naturally leave school at much too early an age, are induced by the thought of graduation to continue in school.

Earnest teachers are needed, and their work should be supplemented by the best efforts of interested parents.

A class of eleven pupils was graduated the present year. Following is the program:

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PRAYER.

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| 1. Salutatory, American Progress, | Edwin D. Waterhouse. |
| 2. Influence of Habit, | Alice M. Cole. |
| 3. Ambition, | Annie L. Littlefield. |
| 4. An Aim in Life, | Rose Storer. |

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| 5. The Silver Question, | Edmund P. Briggs. |
| 6. The Marble Waiteth, | Hattie M. Cole. |
| 7. Trifles, | Clara M. Brown. |
| 8. Formation of Right Habits, | Alton L. Mills. |

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| 9. Our Life is What We Make It, | Annie M. Sawyer. |
| 10. Liberty, | Lizzie H. Cuskley. |
| 11. Valedictory, Success or Failure, | Sadie Russell. |

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BENEDICTION.

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

As three terms of school for each district seemed sufficient, it was deemed advisable to conduct certain of these terms as Free High School. The money appropriated was therefore expended at West Poland and Minot Corner, the Minot Corner school being a Free High School through the year, and West Poland, during the fall and winter terms.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION.

I am well aware that a matter tending in the least to increase the burden of taxation, will be viewed, at this time, with suspicion by you who feel that it now hardly requires the straw to break the camel's back; but I should fail in my duty to our common cause of education, should I not mention, in this annual report, what I feel to be necessary in the near future, in order that the schools of Poland may keep abreast of the times in the cause of progressive education. To achieve the best results in any business enterprise there must be a leading power, a concentration of intelligent, practical application. The person on whom this responsibility of supervision devolves must give *daily* attention to the business over which he is placed.

I fail to see how our schools can be an exception to this rule, for the education of our children for intelligent, useful citizenship is of far more importance than the acquisition of the dollar. In a word, I believe that we need the *daily* work of a Supervisor as much as we need the daily attention of a teacher to his special charge. I hardly expect you to take any decided action on this matter at present; but this want of better and closer school supervision has long since been felt, and met in many of our towns. The others are fast falling into line, don't let Poland be the last.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In order to give the schools the usual three terms of ten weeks for the next year, I think the sum of \$3,000 will be necessary.

Our school books are in very good condition, especially those of the higher classes. It will be necessary to replace some badly worn books, and I would recommend an appropriation of \$100.

For repairs, I think the sum of \$200 will be needed.

To the thoughtful consideration of the citizens of Poland, this report is respectfully submitted.

R. J. EVERETT,

Supervisor of Schools.

East Poland, Me., Feb. 24, 1894.

To Sidney Daicy, 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 the town of Poland qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House in said town, on Monday, the 12th day of March next, 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 see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of common schools.
- Art. 4.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Free High school.
- Art. 5.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for purchase of school text books.
- Art. 6.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairing school houses.
- Art. 7.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs of roads and bridges, and manner of expending the same.
- Art. 8.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of poor.
- Art. 9.—To see what sum of money the town will vote raise for contingent expenses.
- Art. 10.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for abatements and collectors' commission.
- Art. 11.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay debt.
- Art. 12.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay interest.
- Art. 13.—To see if the town will vote a discount on taxes paid at stated times.
- Art. 14.—To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as presented by the selectmen.
- Art. 15.—To see if the town will vote to combine the following school districts, to wit:
- Harris Hill with Bailey Hill.
- Thurlow district with Ricker district.
- Promised Land district with Herrick Valley district.
- Art. 16.—To see if the town will vote to allow the bills, of N. Q. Pope and Jesse M. Libby.

Art. 17.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to build the road around Cobb's Hill and to grade Cobb's Hill at the mouth of Bailey Hill road, as located by the County Commissioners.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the town house on the day of the election at nine o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of revising the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Poland, this 28th day of February, A. D., 1894.

V. P. WATERHOUSE, } *Selectmen*
R. S. HERRICK, } *of*
L. T. BROWN, } *Poland.*