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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

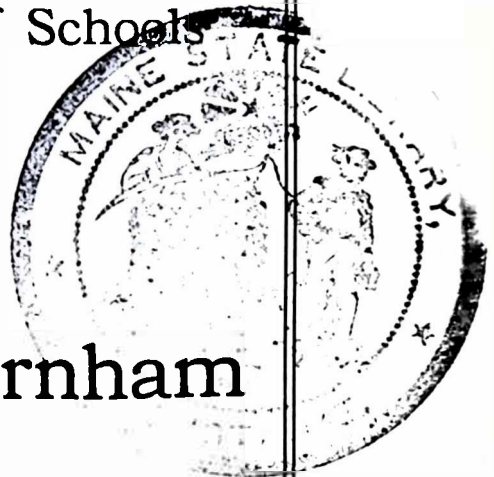
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Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

Town of Burnham

1911-1912



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# Selectmen's Report

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1912

## Inventory of Assessable Property

Real Estate.....	\$187,710 00
Personal Estate.....	41,413 00
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Total Valuation.....	\$229,123 00

Tax rate on one dollar .02

Amount of money raised by town	
Common Schools.....	\$ 664 00
Roads and bridges.....	400 00
School books.....	100 00
Interest on town debt.....	390 00
Salary of school board.....	25 00
Street lights..	190 00
Repairs of town hall.....	50 00
Salary Supt. schools.....	100 00
State road.....	200 00
Town charges.....	800 00
Tuition	100 00
Discount on taxes.....	50 00
State tax.....	1,424 91
County tax.....	498 04
Overlay.....	226 51
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	\$5,218 46

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Amount assessed on real and personal	
estate \$229,123.00 at .02.....\$	4,582 46
Amount assessed on 212 polls at \$3..	636 00
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	\$5,218 46

# LIST OF ORDERS

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Drawn on the Treasurer by the Selectmen.

NO. OF ORDER	TO WHOM DRAWN	AMOUNT
1	Lillian Heald Doe, teaching 1910.....	\$ 88 00
2	Lillian Heald Doe, janitor 1910. ....	4 00
3	Chas. Cookson, conveying scholars 1910.....	27 50
4	C. L. Nickerson, breaking roads 1910.....	14 35
5	C. L. Nickerson, school wood 1910.....	13 50
6	Mrs. Adra Berry, caring for Julia Nutt 1910..	33 50
7	O. S. McAllister, auditor.....	1 50
8	Chas. E. Reynolds, school wood.....	13 12
9	O. Farrington, school wood.....	24 00
10	O. B. McKechnie, supplies for Bertha Reynolds	5 00
11	C. F. Mitchell, breaking bill G. E. Stevens '10	2 20
12	C. F. Mitchell, breaking bill Howard Snow '10	9 85
13	C. F. Mitchell, breaking bill Mell Goodrich '10	5 00
14	Seb. Power Co., lights Feb.....	15 83
15	Seb. Power Co., lights Mar.....	15 83
16	F. P. Hunter, highways.....	100 00
17	F. L. Cookson, school wood.....	11 50
18	Geo. D. Dyer, cleaning school house \$6 00; repairs \$1.50.....	7 50
19	Edson Perkins, cleaning town hall.....	2 00
20	A. L. Pomroy, cleaning school house.....	3 00
21	C. W. Wood, board of health.....	2 65
22	Tobias Jones, repairing school house.....	11 02
23	Clyde Allen, ballot clerk 1910.....	1 50
24	Silver Burdett & Co., school books.....	48 53
25	Edward E. Babb & Co., school supplies.....	5 60
26	Leander Young, cleaning school house.....	3 00
27	C. A. Twitchell, school supplies.....	1 25
28	Fred Sayward, breaking roads.....	2 69
29	Selectmen of Burnham, destroying brown tail	

	moths.....	\$ 17 00
30	F. J. Kenny, cleaning school house.....	2 75
31	Mathews Printing Co., town reports.....	30 10
32	Town of Pittsfield, Judson Luce, pauper.....	43 05
33	Loring, Short and Harmon, town office supplies.....	6 65
34	The Thomas W. Burr Co., printing.....	1 50
35	Seb. Power Co., lights Apr.....	15 83
36	Vede G. Humphrey, teaching.....	28 00
37	Alida Heald, teaching.....	40 00
38	Chas. E. Reynolds, cleaning school house....	3 50
39	Mrs. Nellie Shaw, teaching.....	28 00
40	E. W. Thurston, highway.....	1 50
41	Arthur Miles, janitor.....	1 50
42	Blanch Goodrich, cleaning school house.....	3 00
43	E. L. Varney, supplies Austin Flood.....	14 53
44	E. L. Varney, supplies Lewis Burgess.....	4 10
45	F. P. Hunter, highway.....	75 00
46	Lulu Young, teaching.....	70 00
47	Alida Heald, teaching.....	40 00
48	Blanch Goodrich, teaching.....	60 00
49	Mrs. Julia W. Bailey, teaching.....	75 00
50	Seb. Power Co., lights, May.....	15 83
51	Bernice Emery, teaching.....	77 00
52	Vede G. Humphrey, teaching.....	49 00
53	J. G. Morrill, supplies.....	1 87
54	J. G. Morrill, part salary.....	25 00
55	Mrs. Lena Cookson, conveying scholars.....	19 00
56	Mrs. Nellie Shaw, teaching.....	49 00
57	F. P. Hunter, highways.....	25 00
58	Archie Braley, janitor.....	1 00
59	Geo. D. Dyer, truant officer.....	4 65
60	Joseph Jones, State road.....	3 50
61	Joseph Jones, feeding tramps.....	50
62	Mrs. Lulu Getchell, teaching.....	60 00
63	Mrs. Lulu Getchell, cleaning schoolhouse.....	2 50
64	Mrs. Chas. Emery, boarding Lill Emery and	

	children . . . . .	\$ 12 00
65	Amasa Huff, janitor . . . . .	3 50
66	Seb. Power Co., lights June and July . . . . .	31 66
67	O. B. McKechnie, part payment selectman . . . . .	32 20
68	F. A. Bachelder, part payment selectman . . . . .	34 16
69	G. F. Lassell, watering tub . . . . .	3 00
70	Dirigo Mutual Fire Ins. Co., insurance . . . . .	1 75
71	Edwin Norton, town hall repairs . . . . .	75
72	F. P. Hunter, highways . . . . .	100 00
73	Geo. D. Dyer, schoolhouse repairs . . . . .	2 20
74	Elisha M. Reynolds, janitor . . . . .	1 00
75	Maine Central Institute, tuition . . . . .	112 00
76	American Book Co., school books . . . . .	21 31
77	Benj. H. Sanborn Co., school books . . . . .	20 90
78	Ginn & Co., school books . . . . .	30 54
79	Dunton & Morse, legal services, Julia Nutt case	68 09
80	E. A. Porter, reporting births and deaths 1908 1909, 1910 . . . . .	2 50
81	Francello Connor, discount on taxes Aug. 1 . . .	86 14
82	Dennis Chandler, schoolhouse repairs . . . . .	2 00
83	Dennis Chandler, school wood . . . . .	85
84	Mrs. Chas. Emery, boarding Lill Emery and children . . . . .	15 00
85	Walter Dyer, sawing wood for school . . . . .	85
86	J. B. Jacobs, highway . . . . .	1 50
87	J. B. Jacobs, feeding tramps . . . . .	2 60
88	F. P. Hunter, highway . . . . .	100 00
89	Seb. Power Co., lights, Aug. . . . .	15 83
90	Bernice Emery, teaching . . . . .	24 00
91	Mrs. Chas Emery, boarding Lill Emery and children . . . . .	7 50
92	Chute & Mitchell, supplies Julia Nutt . . . . .	55 80
93	Francello Connor, bal. due collecting 1908 . . .	5 00
94	Francello Connor, posting warrant . . . . .	1 50
95	Alonzo Emery, boarding Ray Perkins . . . . .	14 50
96	Fred Tilton, school wood . . . . .	10 50
97	T. L. Jones, schoolhouse repairs . . . . .	16 75

97	J. F. Dyer & J. B. Jacobs, labor on voting booth	\$ 4 00
98	J. F. Dyer & J. B. Jacobs, labor on schoolhouse	2 00
99	Wood Bishop & Co., two stoves for schoolhouse	27 83
100	Edson Perkins, cleaning town hall	1 00
101	Elisha Kenney, State road	14 17
102	Geo. D. Dyer, postage	80
103	A. C. Miles, State road	11 55
104	Joseph Jones, State road	21 17
105	F. A. Bachelder, State road	65 35
106	C. A. Twitchell, express on school books	35
107	C. A. Twitchell, schoolhouse repairs	1 38
108	C. A. Twitchell, postage	1 20
109	F. P. Hunter, State road	8 00
110	Wm. G. Twitchell, State road	52 85
111	Everett Goodrich, State road	8 00
112	Arthur Goodrich, State road	23 10
113	Wm. H. Huff, State road	27 23
114	Amasa Huff, State road	16 80
115	Levi Huff, State road	22 48
116	Wm. A. Cole, State road	21 17
117	Geo. Allen, State road	26 60
118	The Berger Mfg. Co., culverts State road	49 75
119	R. B. Dunning Co., cement State road	20 00
120	O. B. McKechnie, freight on culverts and cement	7 03
121	F. W. Sayward, highway	6 65
122	Vede G. Humphrey, teaching	32 00
123	Lulu Young, teaching	32 00
124	Mrs. M. J. Pomroy, board and clothes Lill Emery and children	18 86
125	H. I. Libby, gravel state road	20 00
126	Mattie E. Hunt, teaching	18 00
127	Dyer & McNally, banking school house	1 00
128	Francello Connor, dis. on taxes Oct. 1	11 11
129	Seb. Power Co., Sep. and Oct.	31 66
130	Thurza M. McElman, teaching	75 00
131	Thurza M. McElman, janitor	1 50



132	Elwood Nickerson, janitor.....	\$ 1 00
133	Geo. D. Dyer, school house repairs.....	3 52
134	Chas. S. Sherman, work on voting booth....	75
135	Mildred B. Strout, teaching.....	45 50
136	Mrs. Lulu Getchell, teaching.....	56 00
136	Mary J. Pomroy, board and clothes Lill Emery and children.....	17 00
137	Lulu Young, teaching.....	48 00
138	Vede G. Humphrey, teaching.....	56 00
139	Etta Cole and Gladys Jacobs, janitor.....	1 00
140	Bertha Bryant,, teaching.....	85 00
141	Thompson Brown & Co., school books.....	1 96
142	Silver Burdett & Co., school books.....	7 65
143	American Book Co., school books.....	11 06
144	T. E. Getchell, schoolhouse repairs.....	1 85
145	G. D. Jacobs, schoolhouse repairs.....	1 50
146	Newell White, school supplies.....	45
147	J. G. Morrill, part salary.....	25 00
148	J. G. Morrill, cash expense.....	2 19
149	Mrs. Chas. Cookson, conveying scholars....	22 50
150	W. H. Hunt, stove for Julia Nutt.....	2 00
151	C. A. Twitchell, schoolhouse repairs.....	3 15
152	Lola E. Holt, teaching.....	85 00
153	Mattie Hunt, teaching.....	65 00
154	Bert Reynolds, wood for town office.....	2 50
155	Ernest Hustus, sheep killed by dogs.....	9 00
156	Bert Reynolds, banking schoolhouse.....	2 00
157	O. A. Blaisdell, wood for Julia Nutt.....	4 50
158	Geo. D. Dyer, truant officer.....	3 30
159	J. S. Cookson, abatement on error 1911 tax..	3 00
160	Arthur Miles, janitor.....	1 00
161	Seb. Power Co., lights, Nov.....	15 83
162	Mary J. Pomroy, boarding Lill Emery and children \$15; nursing and funeral ex- pense \$8.75.....	23 75
163	Leander Young, banking schoolhouse.....	3 00
164	Archie Braley, janitor.....	2 50

165	Geo. F. Wyman, abatement of poll tax.....	\$ 3 00
166	Louville Goodwin, abatement on Fogg lot tax	3 00
167	Bert Reynolds, digging grave Julia Nutt ....	3 00
168	Walter Cole, caring for Julia Nutt.....	35 00
169	Mrs. Stephen Goodrich, caring for Julia Nutt	5 00
170	F. P. Hunter, highways.....	100 00
171	Thurza McElman, teaching.....	37 50
172	C. A. Twitchell, banking school house .....	2 00
173	James Wood, Janitor.....	2 00
174	Bert Reynolds, school wood.....	2 50
175	O. A. Garcelon, school wood.....	16 00
176	Frank Whitten, school wood.....	14 00
177	A. D. Young, breaking road 1910.....	1 05
178	Chas. Cookson, breaking roads 1910.....	9 80
179	D. M. Braley, breaking roads 1910.....	11 60
180	Chute & Mitchell, supplies Julia Nutt.....	33 63
181	Chute & Mitchell, supplies Austin Flood....	22 25
182	Chute & Mitchel, supplies Hubbard family..	35 01
183	Chute & Mitchell, supplies Lill Emery.....	2 49
184	M. W. Goodrich Estate, damage to sheep by dogs.....	20 00
184	E. P. Taylor, work on Mount Cemetery....	5 00
185	James Wood, banking school house.....	1 21
186	Seb. Power Co., lights Dec.....	15 83
187	Mary J. Pomroy, board Lill Emery and Chil- dren.....	15 00
188	F. M. Fairbanks Lumber, A. Flood.....	15 00
189	Ruth H. Drummond, teaching.....	16 00
190	Francello Connor, part pay for coll. 1911 tax	50 00
191	F. A. Bachelder, repairs on town hall.....	13 94
192	Alonzo Emery, wood for lockup.....	5 00
193	Alonzo Emery, wood schools.....	5 00
194	Seb. Power Co., lights Jan.....	15 83
195	Mattie Sullivan, teaching.....	80 00
196	Elwood Nickerson, janitor.....	2 50
197	Elwood Nickerson, school wood..	2 50
198	Mary J. Pomroy, board Lill Emery and chil-	

	dren.....	\$ 15 00
199	Mary J. Pomroy, exp. on death Emery child.	6 50
200	Thurza McElman, teaching.....	45 00
201	Thurza McElman, janitor.....	2 50
202	C. A. Twitchell, salary school board.....	8 33
203	Alfreda Perkins, janitor.....	1 00
204	Geo. D. Dyer, schoolhouse repairs.....	50
205	Geo. D. Dyer, truant officer.....	1 00
206	F. W. Sayward, labor on Pond cemetery.....	15 97
207	Wallace Edmonds, watering tub 1910-11.....	6 00
208	G. F. Lassell, schoolhouse repairs.....	3 25
209	Chas. E. Reynolds, postage \$2.50 and school supplies \$1.10.....	3 60
210	Arthur Miles, janitor.....	3 00
211	Charlotte Melcher, teaching.....	80 00
212	Fred Jacobs, janitor.....	3 50
213	Frank C. Littlefield, teaching.....	68 00
214	O. D. Braley, banking schoolhouse.....	2 00
215	Wentworth Pease, highways.....	75
216	Wm. G. Foster, board of health.....	5 20
217	Wm. G. Foster, executing papers.....	2 50
218	J. G. Morrill, part salary.....	25 00
219	Town of Randolph, supplies furnished Alphonzo Reynolds.....	64 59
220	H. E. Kinney, grass seed town farm.....	11 62
221	H. E. Kinney, labor on highway.....	1 00
222	Dirigo Mutual Fire Ins. Co., insurance.....	2 10
223	J. G. Morrill, school supplies.....	3 40
224	E. A. Porter, reporting births and deaths....	1 00
225	Town of Palmyra, funeral exp. Emery child.	12 50
226	Marcellus Cain, funeral exp. Julia Nutt.....	39 00
227	C. H. Newcomb, M. D., medical attendance on Ray Perkins.....	3 00
228	Town of Pittsfield, medical attendance Judson Luce.....	12 50
229	Maine Central Institute, tuition.....	233 00
230	O. Farrington, watering tub.....	5 00

231	O. Farrington, labor on highway.....	\$ 1 50
232	F. P. Hunter, highway.....	100 00
233	Dr. A. A. Shaw, medical attendance Julia Nutt.....	6 75
234	Dr. A. A. Shaw, vital statistics.....	1 50
235	Chute & Mitchell, supplies Ray Perkins.....	3 70
236	Chute & Mitchell, supplies voting booth.....	1 07
237	Geo. Gilmore, supplies Frank Lovejoy.....	3 91
238	Geo. Gilmore, supplies Ray Perkins.....	3 35
239	C. W. Wood, board of health.....	6 55
240	Geo. D. Dyer, salary school board.....	8 33
241	Clyde Allen, ballot clerk Sep. 1911; Feb. 1912	3 00
242	Nellie H. Shaw, teaching.....	85 00
243	Fred Shaw, school wood.....	1 00
244	Gideon Pomroy, driving hearse.....	2 00
245	Town of Troy, board, supplies and medical attendance Ruth Reynolds.....	98 35
246	Lulu Getchell, teaching, .....	88 00
247	Fred Jacobs, sawing wood for school.....	2 25
248	F. P. Hunter, highway.....	161 01
249	Perley Flood, janitor.....	3 00
250	F. A. Bachelder, school house repairs.....	12 04
251	Chute & Mitchell, school repairs and supplies	15 21
252	Newell White, printing.....	1 70
253	Dr. C. M. Whitney, vital statistics.....	3 75
254	Mrs. Chas. Cookson, conveying scholars.....	4 50
255	F. W. Sayward, breaking roads.....	6 00
256	Bert Chandler, labor on Pond cemetery .. .	1 50
257	Charles E. Reynolds, truant officer \$1; school supplies \$.40.....	1 40
258	Edith Sayward, teaching.....	75 00
259	Charles E. Reynolds, salary school board....	8 34
260	E. W. Crawford, night watch July 4.....	1 50
261	Leon Reynolds, school wood.....	2 50
262	Mrs. Henry Taylor, labor on road.....	7 80
263	F. A. Bachelder, cutting hay Julia Nutt \$8; exp. to Belfast Julia Nutt acct. \$1.70...	9 70

264	O. B. McKechnie, supplies Julia Nutt acct...\$	70
265	O. B. McKechnie, lumber for voting booth...	4 25
266	O. B. McKechnie, cash expense.....	3 13
267	O. B. McKechnie, expense of travel on pau- per cases.....	8 40
268	O. B. McKechnie, feeding tramp.....	3 00
269	Francello Connor, posting warrants.....	3 00
270	Seb. Power Co., lights, Feb.....	15 83
271	Mary J. Pomroy, board Lill Emery and child.	12 00
272	Wallace Edmonds, balance on watering tub..	2 00
273	G. F. Lassell, balance on watering tub.....	2 00
274	J. B. Jacobs, feeding tramps.....	6 70
275	O. B. McKechnie, selectman, assessor, over- seer of poor.....	62 80
276	F. A. Bachelder, selectman, assessor, overseer of poor.....	15 84
277	F. W. Sayward, selectman, assessor, overseer of poor.....	50 00
278	F. A. Bachelder, cash expenses.....	1 40
279	Bert Reynolds, school wood.....	30 50
280	Daniel Dyer, town clerk....	9 50
281	Daniel A. Dyer, vital statistics.....	9 25
282	Francello Connor, abatement 1911 tax.....	74 00
283	Francello Connor, bal. due coll. 1911 tax....	210 92
284	Dr. H. L. Trueworthy, medical attendance Austin Flood family.....	45 75
285	Dr. H. L. Trueworthy, vital statistics.....	1 25
286	Lucy Adams, teaching.....	65 00
287	A. W. Fletcher, executing papers.....	1 70
288	O. A. Blaisdell, breaking roads.....	1 00
289	C. H. Foster, rails for school house fence...	3 54
290	C. E. Sherman, services treasurer.....	20 00
291	C. E. Sherman, ballot clerk 1911-12.....	3 00
292	C. E. Sherman, cash expenses.....	3 40
293	S. A. Sterling, building culvert 1908.....	6 00
294	C. H. Drake, boarding Ray Perkins.....	17 00

## Support of Poor

Unexpended balance 1910.....	\$505 80
Paid O. B. McKechnie, sup. Bértha Reynolds	\$ 5 00
Town of Pittsfield, Judson Luce acct...	43 05
E. L. Varney, supplies Austin Flood..	14 53
E. L. Varney, supplies Burgess family..	4 10
Alonzo Emery, boarding Ray Perkins..	14 50
Chute & Mitchell, Austin Flood.....	22 25
F. M. Fairbanks, Austin Flood.....	15 00
Town of Randolph, A. Reynolds.....	64 59
Dr. C. H. Newcomb, medical attendance	
Ray Perkins.....	3 00
Town of Pittsfield, medical attendance	
J. Luce.....	12 50
Chute & Mitchell, supplies Ray Perkins	3 70
Geo. Gilmore, supplies Ray Perkins...	3 35
Town of Troy, board, supplies and med.	
attendance Ruth Reynolds.....	98 35
Mrs. Chas. Emery, board and care of	
Lill Emery and children.....	19 50
Chute & Mitchell, supplies Lill Emery	2 49
O. B. McKechnie, travel on pauper case	8 40
Dr. H. L. Trueworthy, med. atten-	
dance Austin Flood's family.....	45 75
C. H. Drake, boarding Ray Perkins....	17 00
	\$397 06
Unexpended.....	\$108 74

### Poor of Other Towns

Paid Mrs. Chas Emery, board and care of

Lill Emery and children.....	\$ 15 00
Town of Palmyra for burial expense of Emery child.....	12 50
Mary J. Pomroy, for board, clothes and funeral expenses on Lill Emery and children.....	108 11
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	\$135 61
Due from town of Corinth.....	\$135 61
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Paid Geo. E. Gilmore, supplies furnished Frank Lovejoy.....	\$ 3 91
Due from city of Augusta.....	3 91
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Paid Chute & Mitchell, supplies for Hubbard family in quarantine..	\$ 35 01
Due from town of Thorndike.....	35 01
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**Julia Nutt Account**

Amount paid by town 1910-11.....	\$429 33
Amount received for hay, hens, and stove.	27 65
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Balance due town from estate...\$401 68

Paid E. L. Varney, supplies furnished Bur- gess family.....	\$ 4 10
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Due from Waterville, Burgess account 1911	\$ 2 05
Due from Waterville, Burgess account 1910	13 41
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\$ 15 46

**Salary of School Board**

Amount raised by town.....	\$25 00
Amount expended.....	25 00
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**Street Lights**

Amount raised by town.....	\$190 00
Amount expended 1911, 13 months.....	\$205 79
Amount overdrawn 1910.....	4 37
	_____

\$210 16

Amount overdrawn.....\$ 20 16

**Town Hall Repairs**

Amount raised by town.....	\$50 00
Amount expended.....	14 69
	_____

Amount unexpended.....\$35 31

**Salary of Supt. of Schools**

Amount raised by town.....	\$100 00
Amount expended.....	75 00
	_____

\$ 25 00

**Pond Cemetery Account**

Unexpended from 1910.....	\$77 25
Amount expended 1911 .....	17 47
	_____

Unexpended.....\$59 78

Amount raised for tuition.....	\$100 00
Amount received from State.....	128 34



Amount due from State.....	\$74 66	
Amount unexpended as reported 1910.....	3 75	
		\$306 75

Amount expended 1910 account.....	\$112 00	
Amount expended 1911 account.....	233 00	
		\$345 00

Overdrawn .....	\$ 38 25
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#### Discount on Taxes

Amount raised by town .....	\$50 00
Amount expended.....	97 25

Overdrawn.....	\$47 25
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#### Town Farm Account

Dr.

Paid Harry Kinney for grass seed.....	\$11 62
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Received of Gideon Pomroy, use of farm.....	\$50 00
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Due from H. L. McAllister, 3 thousand shingles....	9 00
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Due from Albert Drummond, for oats 1910.. . . .	8 62
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	\$67 62
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#### Property on Hand

Farm and Tools.....	\$1,300 00
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Hay.....	5 00
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Sleds.....	22 00
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Separator.....	15 00
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Beans.....	75
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Wood.....	40 00
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Shingles.....	4 50
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	\$1,387 25
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**Interest Account**

Amount raised.....	\$390 00
Amount expended.....	377 00
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Unexpended.....	\$13 00

**State Road Account**

Amount raised by town.....	\$200 00
Amount appropriated from State.....	204 95
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	\$404 95
Amount expended.....	404 95
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Amount received from State.....	\$203 94
Amount due from State.....	1 01
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	\$204 95

**Miscellaneous Bills**

Edson Perkins, cleaning hall.....	\$ 2 00
C. W. Wood, board of health supplies.....	2 65
Clyde Allen, ballot clerk 1910.....	1 50
Selectmen, for destroying brown tail moths.	17 00
Mathews Printing Co., town reports.....	30 10
Loring, Short and Harmon, town office supplies.....	6 65
Thomas W. Burr Printing Co., brown tail moth notices.....	1 50
G. F. Lassell, watering tub.....	3 00
Dirigo Mutual Fire Ins. Co., Insurance.....	1 75
Dr. E. A. Porter, vital statistics 1910.....	2 50
Francello Connor, posting warrants.....	1 50
Dyer & Jacobs, working on voting booth...	4 00
Edson Perkins, cleaning town hall.....	1 00
C. S. Sherman, work on voting booth.....	75
Bert Reynolds, wood for town office.....	2 50

E. P. Taylor, work in Mount Cemetery.....	\$ 5 00
Wallace Edmonds, watering tub 1910.....	3 00
Wm. G. Foster, executing papers.....	2 50
Dirigo Mutual Fire Ins. Co., insurance.....	2 10
Dr. E. A. Porter, vital statistics.....	1 00
Edward E. Babb & Co., school supplies....	5 60
C. A. Twitchell, school supplies.....	1 25
J. G. Morrill, stationery and postage.....	1 87
J. F. Jones, feeding tramp.....	50
G. F. Lassell, watering tub.....	5 00
J. B. Jacobs, feeding tramps.....	9 30
Geo. D. Dyer, postage.....	80
C. A. Twitchell, postage.....	1 20
J. G. Morrill, cash expense.....	2 19
Estate of M. W. Goodrich, damage to sheep by dogs.....	20 00
Ernest Hustus, sheep killed by dogs.....	9 00
Alonzo Emery, wood for lockup.....	5 00
Wallace Edmonds, bal. on watering tub 1911	5 00
Chas. E. Reynolds postage and school sup- plies.....	3 60
J. C. Morrill, school supplies.....	3 40
O. Farrington, watering tub.....	5 00
Dr. A. A. Shaw, vital statistics.....	1 50
Chute & Mitchell, supplies voting booth....	1 07
C. W. Wood, board of health.....	6 55
Clyde Allen, ballot clerk.....	3 00
Gideon Pomroy, driving hearse.....	2 00
Chute & Mitchell, school supplies... ..	12 21
Newell White, printing.....	1 00
Dr. C. M. Whitney, vital statistics.....	3 75
Chas. E. Reynolds, school supplies.....	40
E. W. Crawford, night watch July 4. ....	1 50
Wm. G. Foster, board of health.....	5 20
O. B. McKechnie, lumber for voting booth	4 25
O. B. McKechnie, cash expense.....	3 13
O. B. McKechnie, feeding tramps.....	3 00

Francello Connor, posting warrants.....	\$ 3 00
F. A. Bachelder, cash expense.....	1 40
Daniel A. Dyer, vital statistics.....	9 25
Francello Connor, abatements 1911 tax.....	74 00
Dr. H. L. Trueworthy, vital statistics.....	1 25
A. W. Fletcher, executing papers.....	1 70
C. E. Sherman, ballot clerk.....	3 00
C. E. Sherman, cash expenses.....	3 40
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	\$316 27

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**School Repair Account**

Amount unexpended 1910.....	\$492 11
Amount expended.....	131 69
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Unexpended.....	\$360 42

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**Text Book Account**

Amount appropriated.....	\$100 00
Received from State, sale of books.....	5 60
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	\$105 60
Amount expended 1911.....	\$148 35
Amount overdrawn 1910.....	10 20
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	\$158 55
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Overdrawn.....	\$ 52 95

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**Town Lockup Account**

Unexpended from 1910.....	\$17 61
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## Repair of Roads and Bridges

DATE	Bills paid by Commissioner		AMOUNT
1911	TO WHOM GIVEN		
April	7	John H. Braley.....	\$ 5 20
	12	O. D. Braley.....	5 20
	13	Ed Rowe.....	1 50
	14	Oral P. Dunton.....	3 75
		Roscoe Dunton.....	9 50
	17	E. L. Goodrich.....	10 25
		M. W. Goodrich.....	8 45
		Arthur Goodrich.....	6 60
	19	W. G. Edmonds....	4 43
	19	F. W. Burrill.....	2 20
			\$ 57 08
May	8	Harry McFarlane.....	\$22 00
		Fred Tilton.....	6 00
		Bert Reynolds.....	4 00
		Chas. Small..	3 75
			\$ 35 75
June	19	Archie Wyman.....	\$ 8 25
	20	Wm. G. Twitchell.....	2 97
	22	Porter Kimball.....	8 25
	23	Arthur Young.....	4 20
		Clarence Wood.....	1 50
		F. J. Kenney.....	1 50
		Roscoe Dunton.....	11 50
	27	Arthur D. Young.....	5 00
			\$ 43 17

July	1	A. A. Flood.....	\$ 4 50	
	3	Chas. Lassell.....	10 50	
	3	Chas. Cookson.....	10 00	
	4	Dennis Getchell.....	10 00	
				<u>\$ 35 00</u>
August	1	A. A. Flood.....	\$ 1 50	
	9	S. Braley.....	4 50	
	14	Chas Cookson... ..	5 00	
	15	J. E. Wood... ..	5 70	
		Chas. Wood.....	3 00	
	16	Chas. Cookson.....	7 00	
		O. S. McAllister.....	3 00	
		George Reynolds.....	7 25	
	28	Roy J. Cookson.....	4 00	
		H. L. Kenney.....	3 90	
		Geo. D. Dyer.....	3 90	
29	Beals & Walker for plank	66 94		
				<u>\$ 115 69</u>
September	26	Karl McAllister.....	\$20 55	
				<u>\$ 20 55</u>
October	7	Edd Sayward.....	\$ 2 50	
	9	Chas. Cookson.....	10 00	
	29	Geo. W. Berry.....	3 00	
				<u>\$ 15 50</u>
December	19	Lewis Burgess.....	\$10 00	
		Wm. G. Twitchell.....	5 45	
	20	Beals & Walker for plank.	23 49	
		H. L. McAllister.....	8 62	
	22	Chas. Cookson.....	5 00	
	23	Zelotus Jones.....	3 60	
		Mell McGray.....	9 75	
		E. Stevens.....	4 50	
Gideon Pomeroy.....		8 00		
				<u>\$ 78 41</u>

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January	3	E. F. Rowe.....	\$ 2 00	
		F. P. Hunter.....	97 90	
				\$ 99 90
February	1	Chas. Small.....	\$ 7 40	
		Leon Reynolds.....	12 41	
		Wallace Edmonds.....	5 70	
		Geo. Hunt.....	6 00	
		Mell McGray.....	6 50	
		Roscoe Dunton.....	9 00	
		J. R. Dunton.....	4 00	
		F. J. Kenney.....	3 00	
		E. E. Sidelinger.....	3 30	
		Bert Chandler.....	6 80	
		Willie Braley.....	45	
		Merlon Braley.....	90	
		D. M. Braley.....	6 40	
		Frank Holt.....	3 60	
		H. L. McAllister.....	7 20	
		Gideon Pomeroy.....	4 80	
		Guy McAllister.....	3 20	
		Geo. Reynolds.....	3 60	
		Harry McFarlane.....	8 00	
		Frank Willey.....	3 60	
		O. D. Braley.....	10 60	
		John H. Braley.....	10 60	
		V. H. Pratt..	2 40	
		C. L. Nickerson.....	16 28	
		W. T. Gray....	4 02	
		Dennis Chandler.....	9 80	
		Leander Young.....	9 80	
		F. C. Ellingwood.....	9 25	
		Porter Kimball.....	11 80	
		Arthur Goodrich.....	13 20	
		Darlie Chandler.....	5 40	
		G. W. Parsons.....	6 80	

February	1	Frank Whitten.....	\$ 2 55
		Fred Willey.....	3 10
		Bert Reynolds.....	6 15
		Eugene Garcelon.....	1 50
		Wm. G. Twitchell.....	1 60
		E. F. Rowe.....	7 60
		Fred Batchelder.....	8 90
		O. B. McKechnie.....	12 75
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		Total amount.....	\$ 259 96
		Dr.	
		To amt. appropriated for highway.....	400 00
		Amount unexpended 1910.....	784 86
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			\$1,184 86
		Cr.	
		By amt. paid by commissioner.....	\$761 01
		By amt. by Selectmen, town orders .....	84 24
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			845 25
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		Amount unexpended.....	\$ 339 61

F. P. HUNTER, Commissioner



### Town Officers Bills

O. B. McKechnie, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor.....	\$ 95 00
F. A. Bachelder, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor.....	50 00
F. W. Sayward, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor.....	50 00
J. G. Morrell, Supt. of schools.....	75 00
C. A. Twitchell, school board.....	8 33
G. D. Dyer, school board.....	8 33
Chas. E. Reynolds, school board.....	8 34
C. E. Sherman, town treasurer.....	20 00
D. A. Dyer, town clerk.....	9 50
O. S. McAllister, auditor 1910.....	1 50
Geo. D. Dyer, truant officer.....	8 95
Chas. E. Reynolds, truant officer.....	1 00
F. Connor, bal. due coll. 1908 tax.....	5 00
F. Connor, coll. 1911 tax.....	260 92

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\$601 87



## Treasurer's Account

Dr.

Mar. 1, To cash on hand.....	\$ 893 45
Mar. 1 Due from F. Connor, coll. 1908.....	64 43
Mar. 1 Due from F. L. Young coll. 1909.....	1,231 89
Mar. 1 Due from F. L. Young coll. 1910.....	2,369 91
B. & M. R. R. stock.....	2,000 00
D. A. Dyer, hall rent.....	25 00
G. D. Dyer, school fund.....	2 00
Int. on B. & M. R. R. stock.....	120 00
State Treas. Free High School.....	128 34
D. A. Dyer, dog license 1911.....	49 00
Commitment of 1911.....	5,218 46
State Treas. reimbursement of soldier-pension '10	240 00
Cement State road acct.....	10 80
Rent of town farm Gideon Pomroy.....	50 00
Pearl Crockett, pool room license.....	10 00
Geo. D. Dyer, stove.....	50
Bond No. 145.....	500 00
On Account by mistake.....	2 50
Dog license refunded.....	31 32
Tel. and R. R. tax.....	24 21
State Treas. school and mill fund.....	740 41
State Treas. common school fund.....	474 54
State Treas., school equalization fund.....	86 87
Tel. & R. R. Tax.....	24 01
State Treas., Soldier pension.....	426 00
State Treas., State road account.....	203 94
Bond 146.....	300 00
Geo. D. Dyer, postage refunded.....	80
Town of Pittsfield, tuition.....	6 72
F. A. Bachelder, hay sold from Julia Nutt estate	20 78
O. B. McKechnie, hens sold from Julia Nutt	

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estate.....	\$ 4 87
O. B. McKechnie, stove sold from Julia Nutt estate.....	2 00
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	\$15,262 75

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Paid State pensions.....	426 00
State Treas., dog license.....	49 00
County tax.....	498 04
Bond 118.....	500 00
Eugene Garcelon, bounty on bob cat.....	2 00
State tax.....	1,424 91
Bond 140.....	1,250 00
Bond 122.....	300 00
Town orders turned.....	6,589 87
Coupons.....	377 00
B. & M. R. R. stock.....	2,000 00
Due from F. L. Young, coll. 1910 tax.....	996 33
By cash to bal.....	849 60
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	\$15,262 75

**Current Receipts**

Money raised by town.....	\$3,069 00
Overlay.....	226 51
State tax.....	1,424 91
County tax.....	498 04
School fund.....	1,301 82
Int. on B. & M. R. R. stock.....	120 00
State Treas. R. R. & tel. tax.....	48 22
Rent of town hall.....	25 00
G. D. Dyer acct. school fund.....	2 00
State treas., State pensions.....	666 00
Cement sold.....	10 80
G. Pomroy, rent of town farm.....	50 00
Pearl Crockett, pool room license.....	10 00

Geo. D. Dyer, stove.....	\$	50
Received on account of mistake.....		2 50
Dog license refunded.....		31 32
State road.....		203 94
Geo. D. Dyer, postage reimbursed.....		80
Town of Pittsfield, tuition.....		6 72
Free High School account.....		128 34
Due from State, free high school acct..		74 66
Due from State, bounty on bob cat....		2 00
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		\$7,903 08

**Current Expenses**

Cost of poor.....	\$	380 06
Repairs of roads and bridges.....		845 25
Expended on schools.....		2,190 32
Expended on school repairs.....		131 69
Expended on school text books.....		148 35
Paid State Pension.....		426 00
State and County tax.....		1,922 95
Abatement on taxes.....		83 00
Miscellaneous.....		316 27
Town officers bills.....		601 87
Int. on bonds.....		377 00
Expended on State road.....		204 95
Bounty on bob cat.....		2 00
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		\$7,629 71

**Liabilities**

Bond No. 129 due March 1, 1912....	\$	800 00
132 " " 14, " .....		600 00
133 " Aug. 5, " .....		775 00
134 " " 2, " .....		1,000 00
135 " " 11, " .....		400 00
136 " Sept. 11, " .....		450 00
137 " Oct. 31, " .....		1,000 00

Bond No. 138 due Nov. 6, 1912.....	\$ 600 00
139 " Oct. 21, " .....	200 00
141 " Feb. 19, 1913.....	200 00
143 " Oct. 1, " .....	500 00
144 " Feb. 19, " .....	400 00
145 " Oct. 31, " .....	500 00
146 " Feb. 19, 1917.....	300 00
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	\$7,725 00
Interest due on bonds.....	\$124 09
Town orders outstanding 1910 account...	98 72
Town orders outstanding 1911 account...	262 15
Due F. L. Young for coll. 1909 tax.....	63 09
Due F. L. Young for coll. 1910 tax.....	168 64
Due F. L. Young discount of 1910 tax...	74 50
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	\$791 19
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	\$8,516 19

#### Resources Available

20 shares B. & M. R. R. stock.....	\$2,000 00
Due from F. L. Young, collector.....	996 33
Due from town of Corinth.....	135 61
Due from city of Augusta.....	3 91
Due from city of Waterville.....	15 45
Due from town of Thorndike.....	35 01
Due from estate Julia Nutt.....	401 68
Town farm and tools.....	1,300 00
Town hall and lot.....	500 00
Road machines.....	100 00
Due from State tuition.....	74 66
Due from State, State road acct.....	1 01
Cash in hands of Treasurer.....	849 60
Due from State, bounty on bob cat.....	2 00
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	\$6,415 26
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Total amount liabilities above resources.....	\$2,100 93

## Resources not Available

School houses.....	\$2,000 00	
School books.....	250 00	
		\$2,250 00
O. B. McKECHNIE		}
F. A. BATCHELDER		
F. W. SAYWARD		
		Selectmen of Burnham

Burnham, Maine, Mar. 6, 1912

This is to certify that I have examined all of the accounts  
of the town and believe them to be correct.

Respectfully Submitted

O. S. McALLISTER

Auditor

Amount overdrawn	
Street lights.....	\$20 16
Text books.....	52 95
School acct.....	3 47
Free High School acct.....	38 25
Discount on taxes.....	47 25
	\$162 08

## Balances unexpended

Town farm.....	\$ 67 62
Interest.....	13 00
Poor.....	108 74
Pond Cemetery acct.....	59 78
Supt. of Schools.....	25 00
Town Hall repairs.....	35 31
Lockup.....	17 61
Highways.....	339 61

\$666 67

## Report of School Board

### School Committee

C. A. Twitchell, term expires 1912  
 Geo. D. Dyer, term expires 1913  
 Chas. E. Reynolds, term expires 1914

#### Common School Account

Amount unexpended 1910.....	\$ 214 31	
Appropriated by town.....	664 00	
Received from State.....	1,301 82	
Tuition due from Pittsfield.....	6 72	
		\$2,186 85

#### Expenditures

Paid teachers including board.....	\$1,925 00	
Fuel.....	150 57	
Janitor.....	41 25	
Conveying scholars.....	73 50	
		\$2,190 32
Overdrawn.....	\$ 3 47	

#### Repair Account

Amount unexpended 1910.....	\$492 11	
Amount expended 1911.....	131 69	
		\$360 42

#### Text Book Account

Amount appropriated.....	\$100 00	
Amount received from sale of books.....	5 60	
		\$105 60

Amount expended 1911.....	\$148 35
Amount overdrawn 1910.....	10 20
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	\$158 55
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Amount overdrawn.....	\$ 52 95
Amount expended for school supplies.....	\$ 31 52

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Geo. D. Dyer, report on school books

New books in stock Feb. 22, 1912

Geographies, large 2, small 11    Arithmetics 17    Language  
 lessons 12    Readers 16    Physiologies 1    Histories 2    Spel-  
 lers 25

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Old Books

Arithmetics 3    Geographies 4    Physiologies 2    Lan-  
 guage Lessons 5    Readers 21    Histories 1    No. 3 and 2  
 not well supplied with books.

Signed, GEO. D. DYER,

Member of School Board



## Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Burnham, Maine:

In submitting this report I wish to refer in a general way to some of the important features of schools.

I feel that very much must be done before our schools can be considered in a standard class. I am sorry to say that more might have been done this year for the schools but let us hope that conditions may be more favorable next year.

### VILLAGE SCHOOLS

There should be two excellent graded schools at the Village instead of two ungraded schools. To grade these schools it would be necessary to have the first four grades in one room and the last four in the other.

Building No. 10 is in very good condition. A small expenditure would make it pleasant and comfortable. Shockingly demoralizing does not half express the terrible condition of No. 5.

It is a crime to send children from a modern home into such a school house. Who can calculate the injury done every child that spends its plastic days of school life under such a baneful influence. Something should be done at once in regard to this building.

### THE RURAL SCHOOL

After all has been said and done W. T. Harris, U. S. Commissioner of Education was forced to say: "No complete remedy has been discovered for the evils of the ungraded schools."

Prussia has the best ungraded schools in the world. The pupils are classified or graded as follows: The lowest grade children from six to eight; the middle grade, those from

eight to eleven; the highest grade, those from eleven to fourteen.

Unquestionably the standing of the schools is mainly due to the efficiency of the teachers who are all normal graduates, receiving large pay and seldom change their positions.

The State of Iowa has attempted to classify her schools in a similar way. Prof. Colgrove who made the course of study for these schools says: "One of the most difficult problems in school organization is the classification of a large ungraded school. Some of the obstacles to the proper classification and grading of the rural schools are the great number of classes that must be organized, irregular attendance of pupils, diversity of text-books, lack of proper records of preceeding terms, no well-defined course of study, and the opposition of the parents. Overcoming these obstacles is a question of school management, and success will depend upon the tact, patience and good sense of the teacher. Somehow the teachers must secure regular attendance. In the absence of proper records and course of study, the skill and training of the teacher should be such as to enable her to determine fairly accurately the ability and the needs of each individual pupil and to work out the proper classification of the school as an original problem." Without proper classification, efficient instruction is impossible.

Yes, it depends largely on the teacher and it always will. The prime requisite for a good school is a good teacher with good material to work with, under efficient supervision with freedom to act and with the sympathetic support of the parents and the community.

#### TEACHERS

In order to have better schools we must have better teachers. A good teacher will have a passingly good school under the most unfavorable circumstances. A poor teacher will have a poor school in spite of everything that may be offered, good school rooms, good books, and skillful supervision will count for naught.

Under the latter everything goes to the bad,—the yard and the room have an unkept appearance and the books are uncared for. The influence of such an environment creates in the pupils carelessness and disrespect for school property and for teacher; disorder follows, and there is a total disregard for the subjects ostensibly being taught. Such a school is a mockery. It retards progress, blights the native aspirations of the child, corrupts morals and defeats the very purpose for which the school is established.

Under the former the yard and the room has the appearance of a well directed home. School property is respected and the teacher is honored. The subjects taught are pursued with pleasure, the possibilities of the child are developed and better citizenship is assured. This teacher filled with the principles of love and human kindness, "grafts the soul of the child all over with buds and scions," of better things.

#### WHAT SHALL WE DO

Put the school houses in respectable condition; supply them with good books; secure a good efficient teacher and give her our support. When we shall have done this we shall be in a way to have good schools.

#### COURSE OF STUDY

Nothing has been done in the way of making a course of study because the State is preparing one to which any system of schools can conform.

By adopting this course we shall not only get a good thing, but it will save the town quite an expense. At the beginning of the fall term I was instructed to expend \$20 to the best advantage of the schools. Books for establishing courses in historical and geographical reading were furnished all the schools. This work conforms to the State courses and in the future all books should be selected with this end in view. By thus doing our schools can gradually grow into these courses without materially increasing the current expenses for books.

The pupils have been classified or graded as well as possible under the circumstances. In most cases in the past the pupils have been rushed over the work irrespective of thoroughness and ability.

The only possible way to grade pupils in a rural school is to classify them according to their abilities to do work in various subjects. This must depend largely on the judgment of the teacher working under efficient supervision.

#### RECORD OF THE PUPILS

By means of a card catalogue a system of book-keeping has been installed whereby a record of the pupils is kept during the whole time they are in the schools. By means of this catalogue reference may be had at once to any pupil in the district. Yet there is a separate system for each town. Moreover a record of each pupil is passed along with the school from term to term for the benefit of the teacher.

#### TEXT BOOKS

The neglect of care for school books has created in the pupils a total disregard for books and school property. In most cases there seems to be an indifference in regard to the waste of supplies furnished by the parents.

Economy is an important lesson and should be taught in the schools. For doing this there is no better way than to practice it in the care of books and supplies. Loyalty of the pupils for the principles for which the schools stand is the highest expression of patriotism.

For the care and preservation of books there has been established a system of book-keeping. At the office of the superintendent there is a book account with each school. In the several schools there is a duplicate account that is passed along with the schools from term to term. There is also in each school a sort of a mutual account between teacher and pupils kept by means of a card system.

## STATISTICS

NAME OF SCHOOL	TEACHER	Term	No. of Weeks		Whole No. of Pupils		Av. No. of Pupils	Salary
Village No. 10	Nellie H. Shaw	S	11	13	12		7.00	
	Bertha Bryant	F	10	22	15		8.50	
	"	W	10	21	19		8.50	
Village No. 5	Vede G. Humphrey	S	11	26	20		8.00	
	"	F	10	24	20.09		8.00	
	Mattie S. Sullivan	W	10	22	18		8.00	
Mount No. 3	Bernice Emery	S	11	18	15		7.00	
	Lulu C. Getchell	F	10	15	12.66		8.00	
	Charlotte Melcher	W	10	14	8		8.00	
Eelwire No. 4	Julia W. Bailey	S	10	9	7.50		7.50	
	Thurza McElman	F	10	10	9		7.50	
	"	W	11	15	12.00		7.50	
Ridge No. 8	Lulu C. Getchell	S	10	5	4.08		6.00	
	Mattie Hunt	F	8	7	7		6.00	
	Mildred B. Strout	F	7	7	6.25		6.50	
	Lucy Adams	W	10	7	6		6.50	
Dodge No. 7	Lulu T. Young	S	10	19	17.40		8.00	
	"	F	10	21	16.50		8.00	
Reynolds Corner No. 2	Alida Heald	S	10	30	26.00			
	Lola E. Holt	F	10	30	27.00		8.00	
	Frank Littlefield	W	10	24	19.40		8.50	
Fletcher No. 9	Blanche Goodrich	S	10	11	9.30		6.00	
	Mattie E. Hunt	F	10	9	7.00		6.50	
	Edith M. Sayward	W	10	19	13.01		7.50	

### PUPILS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL.

Harriet Cole  
 Donnie Getchell  
 Amasa Huff  
 Hathorn Dodge  
 Merle McAllister  
 Ralph Miles

Hazel Fletcher  
 Estella Huff  
 Fern Shaw  
 Warren Getchell  
 Karl McKechnie  
 Bernard Reynolds