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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
AND
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,
OF THE
TOWN OF ALBION,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MARCH 1ST, 1883.



FAIRFIELD:
ALLEN & ATWOOD, STEAM BOOK AND JOB PRINTERS
1883.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT,

OF THE
FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE TOWN.

RECEIPTS.

From James Whitaker former Col. & Treas.....	\$ 403 84	
“ Collector and Treasurer of 1881.....	1,035 00	
“ Tax bills of 1882.....	6,444 87	
“ Bank School fund & Mill Tax.....	581 37	
Total Receipts.....		\$9,365 08

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State Tax for 1882.....	\$ 1,670 70	
“ “ “ “ 1881 Balance.....	970 70	
“ County Tax for 1882.....	572 63	
“ “ “ “ 1881 Balance.....	238 60	
“ For Support of Schools.....	1,588 03	
“ “ Labor on Highways—Highway Tax.....	2,035 85	
“ “ Repairs of Roads damaged by washouts.....	7 50	
“ “ Building Shorey Bridge.....	129 00	
“ “ Breaking roads.....	4 00	
“ “ Guideboards.....	3 00	
“ “ G. F. Thurston damage on highway.....	100 00	
“ “ John Murphy “ “.....	8 00	
“ “ Alonzo Shorey “ “.....	6 40	
“ “ Orders drawn prior to March 5, 1882.....	106 74	
“ “ Cash expenses of Selectmen.....	2 00	
“ “ Blank Books and Stationery.....	5 50	
“ “ Plank for Bridges.....	50 24	
“ K. J. Whitaker for services in Thurston damage case.....	2 00	
“ For Printing Town Report for 1881.....	8 00	
“ A. H. Hammond for paying State pension.....	3 00	
		\$7,511 89

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

To Nathan Davis Collector of 1878.....	\$ 3 13	
“ “ “ “ 1879.....	2 19	
“ “ “ “ 1881.....	63 85	
“ James Whitaker “ “ 1880.....	22 34	
“ A. H. Hammond “ “ 1882.....	26 85	
“ S. R. Webb, Error in assessing.....	7 15	
		\$125 51

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

D. G. Mudgett, 1st Selectman.....	\$ 68 75
Same for horse and carriage out of town.....	1 00
John G. Parmeter, 2d Selectman.....	39 91
Same for horse and carriage out of town.....	1 00
James W. Stratton.....	27 00
A. H. Hammond, Col. & Treas.....	76 00
Lillie V. Dilling, Supervisor of Schools.....	61 00
B. F. Abbott, Town Clerk.....	10 00
G. B. Wood, Pound Keeper.....	2 00
C. W. Hussey, Auditor of Accounts.....	1 00

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SUPPORT OF POOR ON TOWN FARM.

EXPENDITURES ON FARM.

Paid C. E. Clark balance of salary as Overseer	\$ 35 00
For 1881-2.....	265 00
" " " " Salary to March 1883.....	183 63
" Store bill total amount.....	6 64
" Grass Seed, \$4.64, Beans, \$2.00.....	3 70
" Carding wool \$1.70, Tin boiler \$2.00.....	90
" Three butter tubs, \$.90.....	5 20
" Lounge, \$3.20, repairing pump, \$2.00.....	3 84
" Seed wheat, \$3.50, garden seed, \$.34.....	2 00
" Apple machine, \$.75, plaster, \$1.25.....	3 00
" Use of bull \$2.25, of bear, \$.75.....	1 07
" Repairing tin, \$.39, crash, \$.24, room paper, \$.44.....	3 80
" Dishes, \$1.85, oil cloth, \$.45, linen, \$1.50.....	4 25
" Use cider mill, \$1.25, farming tools, \$3.00.....	13 00
" Funeral expenses Mr. Andrews \$5.50, coffin, \$7.50.....	7 00
" Burying Mary Harper and Ruth Gilman.....	16 00
" Medicine, \$3.00, blacksmith bill, \$12.40.....	14 50
" Doctors' bills.....	15 10
" Insurance on town buildings.....	

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RECEIPTS FROM TOWN FARM.

For 1 pair oxen.....	\$100 00
" 20 lambs.....	60 50
" 1 cow \$36, 3 calves, \$22.....	58 00
" Difference between stock \$5.00, 1 pig, \$3.00.....	8 00
" 119 lbs. butter, \$29.75.....	29 75
" potatoes, \$5.75, bacon, \$7.06.....	12 81
" 122 lbs. wool, \$53.31, dried apple, \$1.00.....	44 31
" Eggs, \$14.02, yarn and hose, \$21.40.....	35 42
" 2 pelts, \$1.60, shawl, \$1.50.....	3 10
" Bark, \$17.50, hemlock lumber \$30.00.....	47 50
Received for rent of pasture 1881, \$14.00, 1882, \$20 00.....	34 00

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Expense of poor on the farm.....

\$150 30

SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF POOR HOUSE.

Paid for support of Polly Taylor.....	\$26 00
" " " " James Austin and wife.....	19 00

Expenses of poor off of the farm.....

\$45 00

In hands A. H. Hammond Col. and Treas.....	\$942 49
" " Nathan Davis former Col. and Treas.....	77 38
" " James Whitaker " " " ".....	249 57
From which deduct outstanding orders not included in the above expenditures.....	24 72
	<u>\$9,305 08</u>

PRESENT FINANCIAL CONDITION.

RESOURCES.

In hands of A. H. Hammond Col. and Treas.....	\$942 49
" " " James Whitaker former Col. & Treas.....	249 57
" " " Nathan Davis " " " ".....	77 38
	<u>\$1,269 44</u>

LIABILITIES.

Due the several School Districts.....	\$150 16
" Outstanding Orders.....	80 72
Claimed by Augusta for support of James Austin estimated.....	10 00
	<u>\$240 88</u>
Balance in favor of the Town.....	\$1,028 56

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PROVISIONS ON TOWN FARM.

MARCH 1, 1883.

2 Oxen \$155.00, 3 cows, \$70.00, 2 three-year-olds \$45.00	\$270 00
34 Sheep, \$170.00, 2 pigs \$25.00.....	195 00
14 Hens, \$4.50, 20 tons hay, \$160.00.....	164 50
10 bush. of potatoes, \$6.00, 1 1-4 bush. onions, \$1.00	7 00
3 bush. barley, \$2.25, 2 1/2 bush. wheat, \$4.25.....	6 50
2 1/2 bush. beans, \$6.25, 1 bush. meal, \$.90.....	7 75
2 bush. apple, \$.50, 1 gal. molasses, \$.50, 1 gal. kerosene oil, \$ 20.....	1 20
3 bbls. cider, \$10.00, 1/2 bbl. vinegar, \$3.25.....	13 25
1 1/2 bbls. soap, \$5.00, 1/2 bbl. flour, \$3.75.....	8 75
150 lbs. pork, \$20.00, 40 lbs. dried apple, 2.40, 20 lbs. lard \$3.00.....	25 40
16 lbs. butter, \$3.20, 1/2 lb. tea, \$.25, 1 lb. coffee, \$.17, soda, \$.05.....	\$3 67
1/2 lb. pepper, \$.08, 1 box mustard, \$.12, bar soap \$0 .06.....	0 28
	<u>\$682 70</u>

DENNIS G. MUDGEET,	} Selectmen of Albion.
JOHN G. PARMETER,	
JAMES W. STRATTON.	

I have examined the accounts of the selectmen of the town of Albion ending March 1st, 1883, and allowed them as herein reported.

C. W. HUSSEY, Auditor.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING, MARCH, 1ST, 1883

DISTRICT No. 2....NATHAN DAVIS, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Abbie S. Taylor, of China. Miss T. is a young teacher of but little experience; order quite good, and at my second visit quite a number of the parents were present at which time both teacher and scholars showed that they had worked in harmony. Average attendance, 10.

Winter Term—by Mr. Fred B. Hussey, of Albion. This is Mr. H's. second term in this district and he gave universal satisfaction at both terms. Everything was conducted with care and promptness. The final examination showed that they had one of the best of teachers. Average attendance, 24.

DISTRICT No. 3....OTIS B. CHASE, Agent.

Summer and Winter Terms—by Miss Annie J. Chase, of Albion. This is Miss C's. fifth term in succession in this district; she is of a mild and amiable disposition and gains the love and respect of her pupils; also a thorough instructor and advances them rapidly. Average attendance in Summer, 15, and in Winter, 13.

DISTRICT No. 4....JOEL FARNHAM, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Florence L. Fowler, of Albion. Miss F. is one of our best teachers, possessing both natural and acquired abilities sufficient to teach our most difficult and advanced schools. Average attendance, 14.

Winter Term—by Mr. Frank Shaw, of Newburgh. This was Mr. S's. first attempt at teaching and he failed in discipline; after keeping four weeks he left and the term was finished by his brother, B. F. Shaw, who has had some experience in teaching. The scholars made good progress under his instruction, and all knew their places and kept them. Average attendance, 20.

DISTRICT No. 5....JOHN H. WHITAKER, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Olive A. Gould, of Albion. This is the second

school in town and Miss G. is an old and experienced teacher; under her thorough instruction they made rapid progress. At the closing examination quite a number of the parents were present. Average attendance, 26.

Winter Term—by Mr. Frank Colburn, of Windsor. At my first visit there were over 30 scholars present and Mr. C. seemed to be the right teacher in the right place. Order excellent and well classified. From sickness or other cause the term was not completed, consequently it was not visited at its close. Average attendance, 26.

DISTRICT No. 6....JOHN W. HALL, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Em S. Fletcher, of China. Miss F. is gifted with the best qualifications of a successful teacher. Good order, prompt recitations and weekly reviews; we hope to meet her again in our schools. Average attendance, 13.

Winter term—by Miss Geneva H. Grant, of Albion. Miss G. has had only one term's experience in this work; order not quite up to the standard; the closing examination showed a *very good* progress. Average attendance, 17.

DISTRICT No. 8....N. W. WALCOTT, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Georgia A. Wilson, of Albion. Miss W. is a member of the district and has taught the Primary school two terms; she passed a *good* examination but failed to take that interest in the school required to make it profitable; the closing examination showed that reviews had been neglected. Average attendance, 24.

Winter Term—by Mr. W. W. Andrews, of Paris. This is the largest and most advanced school in town and the pupils made good progress the present term. Average attendance, 32.

DISTRICT No. 9....ABEL WORK, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Lizzie J. Fuller, of Albion. On account of a misunderstanding of the length of the school it was not visited but once, which was the first of the term. Miss F. did *very well* for so young a teacher. Average attendance, 9.

Winter Term—by Miss Emma F. Webb, of Albion. Miss. W. labored hard with her pupils for their thoroughness and advancement. She reaped her reward at their final examination which was a credit to both teacher and pupils. Average attendance, 14.

DISTRICT No. 10....LEONIDAS WHITE, Agent.

Summer Term—by Sadie F. Shorey, of Albion. At my first visit the school seemed very noisy and the teacher was laboring hard to advance the pupils and at the same time preserve order; the last visit showed a decided improvement in *every* respect; examination good. Average attendance, 16.

Winter Term—by Miss Julia F. Worthing, of Palermo. Miss W. has taught a number of schools, among them this one. The pupils made good advancement. A little deficient in order. Average attendance, 16.

DISTRICT No. 11....BYRON P. TILTON, Agent.

This district has had but one term for the year under the instruction of

Miss Sadie F. Shorey, of Albion. Although few in number they were advanced and made the school interesting to both pupils and teacher. Average attendance, 9.

DISTRICT No. 12... HARRISON CROSBY, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Emma F. Webb, of Albion. Miss W. seems to be at home in the school room. Examination good. Every thing went like clock-work at both visits. Average attendance, 14.

Winter Term—by Miss Olive A. Gould, of Albion. We have met Miss G. in our schools many times before and she gives good satisfaction. On account of sickness, her school was not finished, but from what I learn, they accomplished a good work. Average attendance, 16.

DISTRICT No. 13... ERASTUS SMILEY, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Nell H. Barnes, of Albion. Miss B., although young in years and without any experience in teaching, went to work with a determination to succeed. She had good order and prompt recitations; examination showed her efforts were not in vain. Average attendance, 7.

Winter Term—by Miss Mellie S. Rowe, of Palermo. The school is so very small that it does not give a teacher much chance to display their abilities. It has been visited twice, but is still in session. Advancement very good. Average attendance, 8.

DISTRICT No. 14... SALATHIEL BRAGG, Agent.

Summer and Fall Terms—by Miss Abbie J. Fowler, of Albion, who labored hard and faithfully with her pupils. The closing examination showed a rapid and thorough instruction. Average attendance, 17.

Winter Term—by Miss Alice B. Hunter, of Clinton. At my first visit order was excellent and Miss H. was working for the interest of the school. At my last visit I was disappointed in the order and advancement of the school. Average attendance, 15.

In conclusion, I would add that I have tried to discharge the duties involved upon me the past year with promptness and fidelity.

Taking them as a whole there has been a fair degree of improvement in our schools for the past year; some have fallen below our expectations, others have exceeded them.

In those schools where the parents make a practice of visiting them, at least twice a year, we find them in advance of those where no such practice exists.

The school rooms, as a general thing, have been made very comfortable and those that are not, ought to undergo such repairs. Cold school rooms are detrimental to the health of both teacher and pupils as well as the advancement of the school.

LILLIE V. DILLING, *Supervisor.*