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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

—AND—

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS

—OF THE—

Town of Albion,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1896.

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EMERSON STEAM PRINTER
1896.



Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION OF 1895-96 :

Resident real estate	\$263,420 00
Non-resident real estate.....	12,865 00
Personal estate.....	65,852 00
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Total	\$342,137 00
Assessed on \$342,137.00, at \$12.50 per 1,000	\$4,276 71
Assessed on 265 polls, at 1.75.....	463 75
Highway deficiency.....	7 00
Fractional gain, assessing.....	1 27
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\$4,748 73

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED :

For State tax.....	\$990 99
County tax.....	444 77
Town charges.....	1,500 00
Support of schools.....	836 00
Free high school.....	150 00
Interest, town bonds.....	450 00
Repairs on school-houses.....	100 00
School books.....	100 00
Overlaying	169 97
Highway deficiency.....	7 00
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\$4,748 73

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1896.

Rec'd from B. F. Abbott, Treasurer, 1894..	\$935 30
" C. H. Chalmers, " 1895..	4,748 73
for Free High School.....	150 00
for State school fund.....	583 97
for use of town-house.....	27 00
of Easton for support Simon Harding.	33 58

from State on account dog license....	58 00	
“ “ Treasurer for damage by dogs	72 50	
for highway tax.....	3 00	
for hearse out of town.....	13 00	
for blank books.....	9 80	
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		\$6,584 88
Deducting coupons in the above receipts....		72 00
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		\$6,512 88

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax.....	\$987 99
County tax.....	444 77
for support of schools.....	1,871 60
for driving hearse.....	46 00
for printing town reports, 1894.....	15 00
for text books.....	49 67
for support of free high school.....	300 00
for abatements.....	57 28
for repairs on road machine.....	3 55
for edges for road machine.....	4 00
for housing road machine.....	2 00
for preparing State Assessors' blanks....	4 50
for filing and recording birth cards and burial permits.....	20 00
for plank and material for bridges.....	74 47
for Moody bridge.....	50 00
G. H. Wilson, Moderator.....	2 00
C. O. Drake, care of town-house.....	5 00
for oil and repairs on “.....	2 24
for blank books, stationery and postage.	7 89
cash expenses of Selectmen.....	11 15
for sheep killed by dogs.....	17 50
for printing town bonds.....	26 50
for counsel.....	5 00
for coupons.....	600 75
for repairs on school-houses.....	87 62
outstanding orders of 1894-95.....	357 16
interest on same.....	21 70

for insurance on school-houses.....	36 75	
“ “ “ farm buildings.....	18 00	
O. O. Crosby, for running line.....	1 75	
O. Meader, services as justice.....	2 00	
for fire inquest.....	5 25	
N. R. Wellington, for use of pound, 1894	2 00	
G. B. Wood, for use of pound.....	2 00	
M. Peaslee, Auditor, 1894.....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,144 09

EXPENDITURES ON ACCOUNT OF HIGHWAYS.

SNOW BILLS, WINTER 1894-95.

Eugene Handy.....	\$3 10	
A. B. Skillin.....	2 91	
Thomas Woodworth.....	6 00	
G. B. Brann.....	3 63	
Chas. Farris.....	3 38	
C. S. Billings.....	1 58	
E. K. Plummer.....	2 99	
N. N. Wolcott.....	6 98	
E. R. Davis.....	6 60	
Albert Hasey.....	1 70	
Bert Denico.....	1 06	
A. D. Crawford.....	8 06	
B. and J. B. Fuller.....	3 51	
L. E. Skillin.....	3 47	
G. A. Skillin.....	3 53	
John Swears.....	1 80	
J. M. Whitaker.....	4 99	
E. W. Hussey.....	5 00	
W. P. Plummer.....	11 32	
Chas. Trask.....	1 39	
A. J. Robinson.....	1 72	
	<hr/>	\$84 72

WASHOUT, SPRING 1895.

A. B. Skillin.....	\$3 74
R. C. Brann.....	1 47

G. B. Brann.....	2 67
Chas. Farris.....	1 25
Maxcy Hamlin.....	6 00
W. B. Kidder.....	2 50
W. P. Plummer.....	5 75
John Swears.....	3 80
E. F. Crommett.....	2 00

\$29 18

SUMMER 1895.

A. S. Bessey.....	\$6 75
W. E. Tuttle.....	2 12
E. W. Hussey.....	10 00
H. L. McLaughlin.....	13 25
W. B. Kidder.....	8 13
E. K. Plummer.....	2 13
H. G. Robinson.....	1 00
F. W. Metcalf, Commr.....	31 83
G. B. Shorey.....	2 70
L. L. Taylor, Com.....	31 81
E. F. Crommett, Com.....	68 55
J. H. Whitaker.....	8 13
J. H. Winslow.....	1 47
Chas. Trask.....	2 50
John Swears.....	6 75
G. A. Skillin, Com.....	32 72
Wm. A. Varney, Com.....	41 72
Rufus Danforth, 1894.....	5 25
A. A. Swears, 1894.....	2 00
C. C. Bessey.....	63
J. G. Parmenter.....	1 05
Alston Crommett.....	8 44

\$288 93

SUPPORT OF POOR ON TOWN FARM.

Paid E. H. Wood bal. of salary, 1894-95....	\$25 00
E. H. Wood salary to Mar. 7th. 1896..	225 00
for Corn, meal and shorts.....	36 25
Flour.....	23 95

Store bill.....	73 30	
Phosphate.....	16 35	
Grass and garden seeds.....	8 07	
Cloth, clothing, boots and shoes....	12 25	
Pigs.....	3 50	
4 steers.....	87 00	
Beef, fish and pork.....	21 05	
Seed oats.....	3 60	
Salt.....	1 00	
Broom, fly powder and paris green..	1 75	
Scythe, rake, wrench and shovel....	3 20	
Hardware.....	5 31	
Apples.....	2 10	
Furnace, pipe and funnel.....	2 10	
Butter.....	3 55	
Vinegar and lard.....	2 96	
Rake teeth.....	2 40	
Use of male animal.....	1 50	
Seed potatoes and lumber.....	2 05	
Repairs on mowing machine.....	5 00	
Blacksmith bill.....	7 63	
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		\$575 86

RECEIPTS FROM TOWN FARM.

Rec'd for 1 yoke oxen.....	\$121 00	
1 cow.....	30 00	
1 calf.....	4 00	
Sheep and lambs.....	14 72	
Wool.....	22 50	
Butter.....	4 50	
Eggs.....	1 81	
Hay.....	86 37	
Straw.....	17 93	
Boarding hay pressers and extra horse	31 00	
Pasturing.....	13 50	
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		\$347 33
Net expenditures for support of poor on farm.		<hr/>
		\$228 53

SUPPORT OF POOR OFF FARM.

Paid Insane Hospital for F. M. Shepherd.	\$88 42	
Vassalboro for Mrs. Arthur Sturtevant.	128 23	
	<hr/>	\$216 65

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Paid Geo. B. Pray, selectman, assessor, &c.	\$71 00	
same for horse and carriage out of town.	4 50	
R. J. Whitaker, selectman, assessor &c.	49 00	
Myrick Peaslee, " " " "	46 58	
same for horse and carriage out of town.	2 00	
C. E. Wilson, Supervisor of schools.	75 00	
Dr. F. E. Withee, Town clerk.	10 00	
G. B. Wood, Auditor.	1 00	
C. H. Chalmers, Coll. and Treas.	70 00	
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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid F. E. Withee, M. D., Secretary.	\$5 00	
Otis Meader.	5 00	
R. L. Baker.	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$14 00
Total expenditures.	\$6,336 18	
In hands of C. H. Chalmers, Coll. and Treas.	176 70	
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FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN.

RESOURCES.

In hands of C. H. Chalmers, Coll. and Treas., 1895	\$176 70	
In hands of B. T. Abbott, Coll. and Treas, '94	242 87	
Due from China for support of H. Weymouth	31 29	
Due from State for dog licenses, estimated.	50 00	
100 shares W. & Q. R. R., par value \$100 per share	10,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$10,500 86

LIABILITIES.

Due for Schools.	\$132 40	
Augusta for James Austin, estimated.	15 00	
Town Bonds.	10,000 00	
for interest on Bonds.	2 25	
	<hr/>	\$10,149 65
Balance in favor of town.		\$351 21

INVENTORY OF STOCK, PRODUCE, PROVISIONS, AND
FARMING TOOLS ON TOWN FARM, MARCH 1, 1896.

2 oxen.....	\$95 00
4 steers.....	100 00
2 cows.....	45 00
28 sheep.....	70 00
2 shoats.....	10 00
1 calf.....	5 00
22 hens.....	8 00
15 tons hay.....	120 00
1 ton straw.....	3 00
35 bushels oats.....	10 50
15 " beans.....	22 00
30 " potatoes.....	6 00
150 pounds pork.....	12 50
10 " lard.....	1 00
9 " sugar.....	50
2/3 barrel flour.....	3 50
5 gallons oil.....	65
75 pounds phosphat.....	1 00
6 bars soap.....	30
Spices.....	25
1 mowing machine.....	20 00
4 harrows.....	12 00
Cultivator.....	5 00
Ox sled and chains.....	8 00
Cart and wheels.....	10 00
3 yokes, bows, rings and staples.....	3 00
Axes, saw, scythes and snath.....	3 00
Shovels hoes, forks and rakes.....	2 50
Horse rake and grind stone.....	12 00
Horse fork and fixtures.....	5 00
Plows.....	12 00
Sledge, wedges and crowbar.....	1 50
Fence auger and cross cut saw.....	1 50

\$609 70

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. B. PRAY, R. J. WHITAKER, MYRICK PEASLEE,	}	<i>Selectmen of Albion.</i>
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I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct.

G. B. WOOD, *Auditor.*

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

RESOURCES.

Balance from last year.....	\$584 03	
Am't raised by town.....	836 00	
“ received from state.....	583 97	
	<u> </u>	\$2,004 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers.....	\$1,029 00	
teachers' board.....	300 50	
for conveying scholars.....	366 00	
for wood and incidentals.....	125 70	
Town of China for '94 and '95.....	50 40	
	<u> </u>	\$1,871 60
Balance		\$132 40

SCHOOL BOOKS.

APPROPRIATION	\$100 00
Paid for school books and express on same..	49 67
	<u> </u>
Balance	\$50 33
Due on school books (estimated).....	\$54 82

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL-HOUSES.

APPROPRIATION.....	\$100 00
Expended	87 62
	<u> </u>
Balance	\$12 38

School Statistics of the Town for the Year ending March 1, 1896.

No. of District.	Time.	TEACHERS.	Whole Attendance.	Average Attendance.	Wages per week.	Board per week.	Length of term.	Taught before.
2	Sum'r.	Fannie M. Shorey.....	24	22	\$3.50	\$1.50	8	19
	Fall.	" ".....	20	17	4.50	1.50	8	20
	Wint'r.	" ".....	18	15	4.50	1.50	8	21
3	Spring.	Clara E. Webb.....	12	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.50	1.75	8	51
	Sum'r.	Lilla M. Whittaker.....	19	18	4.00	1.50	8	6
	Wint'r.	Hattie E. Shorey.....	20	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.50	1.50	8	10
4	Spring.	" ".....	19	16	4.50	1.50	8	11
	Sum'r.	Cora M. Whittaker.....	15	11	4.50	1.75	8	3
	Wint'r.	" ".....	15	11	4.00	1.50	8	4
5	Spring.	Frank F. Carr.....	17	14	4.50	1.75	8	1
	Sum'r.	Fannie M. Shorey.....	17	12	4.50	1.50	6	22
	Wint'r.	" ".....	10	7	4.00	2.00	8	18
8	Spring.	Hattie E. Shorey.....	8	6	3.00	1.50	8	9
	Sum'r.	Chas. L. Taylor.....	8	7	4.50	1.75	8	..
	Wint'r.	" ".....	6	5	4.00	1.50	7	5
9	Spring.	Cora M. Meader.....	6	5	4.00	1.50	8	21
	Sum'r.	Minnie F. Foss.....	21	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.50	1.50	8	53
	Wint'r.	Olive A. Gould.....	36	33	4.50	1.50	8	55
10	Spring.	" ".....	35	31	6.00	1.50	8	56
	Sum'r.	" ".....	35	29	6.00	1.50	8	52
	Wint'r.	" ".....	24	20	5.50	1.50	8	22
12	Spring.	Minnie F. Foss.....	11	8	4.00	1.50	8	..
	Sum'r.	George A. Fletcher.....	..	..	7.50	1.75	8	..
	Wint'r.	" ".....	..	..	7.50	1.75	8	..
14	Spring.	Grace M. Whittaker.....	12	9	4.00	1.50	8	..
	Sum'r.	Evie L. Bessey.....	12	9	3.00	1.50	8	2
	Wint'r.	" ".....	10	8	4.00	1.50	8	3
12	Spring.	" ".....	10	8	4.00	1.50	6	4
	Wint'r.	Lilla M. Whittaker.....	6	5	4.00	1.50	8	5
14	Spring.	Edith Hussey.....	6	4	4.00	1.50	8	..

DISTRICT NO. 2.

The school for the year was under the instruction of Miss Fannie M. Shorey. Miss Shorey is one of our most successful teachers. At each visit we found the pupils interested in their work. Examinations excellent.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Spring term by Miss Clara E. Webb of Unity. Miss Webb is thoroughly at home in the school room and is interested in her work. A profitable term.

Summer term by Miss Lilla M. Whittaker. At our first visit we found both teacher and pupils interested in their work. The final examinations showed that good advancement had been made.

Winter term was taught by Miss Hattie E. Shorey. Miss Shorey worked hard and the examinations showed that her work had not been in vain.

Spring term by the same teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Spring term by Miss Cora M. Whittaker. Miss Whittaker maintained excellent order and kept the pupils interested in their work. A profitable term.

Summer term by the same teacher.

Mr. Frank F. Carr was engaged for the winter term. Mr. Carr has an interesting method of teaching and was liked by the pupils.

Spring term by Miss Fannie M. Shorey. At our first visit we found the pupils busily engaged in their studies. On account of scarlet fever the school was closed at the end of the sixth week.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Spring term by Miss Fannie M. Shorey. A profitable term.

Summer term was taught by Miss Hattie E. Shorey. Examinations good.

Mr. Chas. L. Taylor was engaged for the winter term. Mr. Taylor is earnest in his work and secured good results.

Spring term by Mrs. Cora M. Meader. Examinations good.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Spring term by Miss Minnie F. Foss, who taught a good school as she invariably does.

Summer, winter and spring terms were taught by Miss Olive A. Gould. Miss Gould's methods of teaching are far in advance of those used by other teachers. The final examinations were excellent.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Spring term by M. O. A. Gould. This was one of the best schools of the year. Examinations perfect.

Summer term by Miss Minnie F. Foss. The examinations were very good.

Winter and spring terms were taught by Mr. G. A. Fletcher. Mr. Fletcher gained the good will of his pupils and every thing seemed to promise a good result. The examinations showed that we were not mistaken.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Spring term by Miss Grace M. Whittaker. As Miss Whittaker

was the third teacher employed for this term it was impossible to get good results.

Miss Evie L. Bessey taught the summer, winter and spring terms with good results.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Spring term was taught by Miss Lilla M. Whittaker. Examination very good.

Spring term by Miss Edith Hussey. Examination showed that advancement had been made.

FREE HIGH SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Mr. A. H. Kane and Miss O. A. Gould had this school in their care. Mr. Kane is an excellent instructor and the school that secures his services is fortunate indeed. Miss Gould performed her duties with her usual success.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Commenced by Miss Clara E. Webb. Miss Webb was obliged to give the school up at the end of the second week. Mr. P. S. Merrill was engaged to finish the term. Teacher and pupils did not seem to understand each other and many left school. Examinations showed a good improvement:

COST OF FREE HIGH SCHOOLS.

A. H. Kane, \$40.00 a month.....	\$100 00
N. R. Wellington, board.....	25 00
O. A. Gould, assistant.....	75 00
Clara E. Webb, including board.....	20 00
P. S. Merrill, including board.....	80 00
	\$300 00

REMARKS.

FELLOW-CITIZENS: We take pleasure in noting the prosperous condition of our schools. While some have failed to reach the standard desired, the majority have met with our approval.

On account of the small number of scholars in districts Nos. 12 and 14, it was decided to suspend the schools. Schools in districts Nos. 4 and 10 were closed at the end of the sixth week on account of scarlet fever.

If parents would visit the school occasionally and make themselves familiar with the methods of the different teachers, we think a great improvement would be noticed.

We would recommend that the town raise \$50 for repairs on school-houses and \$75 for the purchase and exchange of text books.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. WILSON, *Superintendent of Schools.*

Report of Board of Health.

The local Board of Health of Albion respectfully submit the following report. In accordance with the Statutes we have held four regular quarterly meetings. In the early part of February we were called to see children in district No. 4 who were having a mild run of scarlet fever. The schools were closed in districts Nos. 4 and 10, the houses quarantined and at date of writing, there has been no further spread of the disease.

There have been twenty-one births and twenty-four deaths during the year ending Mar. 1st, 1896, as follows:

1895.	AGE.			CAUSE.
	Ys.	Ms.	Da.	
March 2, Elizabeth Hussey....	75		10	Acute Nephritis.....
17, Albert Burrill.....	57	10	2	Phthisis Pulmonalis.....
20, Everett Baker.....	27	2	22	Exhaustion from diseased stomach....
29, Lettie Hamlin.....	85	9	29	Disease of heart.....
April 5, Simon Harding.....	82			Disease of bladder and prostate.....
23, Ripley Chalmers.....	71	11	18	Valvular disease of heart.....
May 23, Pearl E. Rich.....			16	Pneumonia.....
June 1, Huldah M. Ford.....	70			Dysentery and disease of kidney.....
July 8, J. Sullivan Billings'....	86	10	1	Senile gangrene.....
8,				Still born.....
10, Rebecca J. Harrington..	64			Dropsy from disease of heart.....
August 8, Clara Stratton.....	22	7		Exhaustion from disease of bowels...
Sept. 4, Hannah McLaughlin..	21	6	3	Tuberculosis of bowels.....
16, Clarence Ray Webb....	6	10	13	Dysentery.....
29, Fred K. Hussey.....	37			Burned to death.....
October 4, Nellie F. Stratton..	28	10		General exhaustion.....
21, Hattie L. Brann.....	35	10	3	Puerperal fever.....
26, Samuel R. Clark.....	77	5	6	Acute congestion of lungs.....
Nov. 9, Geo. Wm. Baker.....	53	11	6	Hæmoptysis.....
29, Francis Crommet.....	88	2		Disease of prostate.....
8, Nancy Ryder.....	95	7		Exhaustion from old age.....
Dec. 12, Harvey F. Sennett....		8		Dropsy of brain.....
1896.				
Jan. 28, Mary F. Morrill.....	85	7	8	Pneumonia.....
Feb. 2, Ada A. Bragg.....	39	4	10	Pulmonary tuberculosis.....
16, F. J. Sanborn.....	16	6	10	Uremic poisoning.....

F. E. WITHEE, M. D., *Secretary.*

R. L. BAKER, *President.*

