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## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

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*To Alvin Leighton, a constable of the Town of Cumberland, in the County of Cumberland.*

GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Cumberland, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House in said town, on the third day of March next, at nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles to wit:

- 1st. To chose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- 2d. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3rd. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen and assessors.
- 4th. To hear and act upon the report of the overseers of the poor.
- 5th. To hear and act upon the report of the town treasurer.
- 6th. To hear and act upon the report of the superintending school committee.
- 7th. To hear and act upon the report of the treasurer of the Cumberland school fund.

8th. To hear and act upon the report of the trustees of Greely Institute.

9th. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

10th. To raise money for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

11th. To raise money to purchase free text books for schools.

12th. To raise money for the support of the poor.

13th. To raise money for the payment of town notes and interest.

14th. To raise money, or labor, or both, for the repairs of highways, townways and bridges.

15th. To raise money for the payment of snow bills.

16th. To raise money for contingent expenses.

17th. To see what disposition the town will make of the money received from the State, in aid of free high schools.

18th. To hear and act on the request of any collector for abatement of taxes.

19th. To receive bills against the town.

20th. To see what instructions the town will give their treasurer, in regard to settlement with tax collectors.

21st. To see if the town will make repairs on town farm buildings, and raise money for payment of same.

22d. To see what measures the town will take to pay the town debt, or fund it at a lower rate of interest.

23d. To see if the town will allow a discount until a certain time on taxes paid, and after that charge interest.

24th. To see if the town will change the day of annual March meeting to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March.

25th. To see if the town will vote to authorize and direct the school committee to make such changes in the school books now used in the town as they may deem expedient.

26th. To see if the town will vote to tax dogs, the money so raised, to be used to pay for sheep killed in town by dogs.

27th. To see if the town will take charge of the Eliphalet Greely Monument, and keep the same in repair.

28th. To see when, and how, the town will build the road as laid out by the Selectmen and granted by the County Commissioners, from the rangeway near E. B. Shaw's house to the northwest road near Sewall Whitney's by request of E. B. Shaw.

29th. To see if the town will allow the request of Fred P. Blanchard, that he may be set off, with his property, from school district No. 6, and annexed to school district No. 3.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town, and hearing and deciding upon the application of persons claiming to have their names entered upon said list, at the Town House at 8 o'clock in the forenoon, on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 20th day of February, A. D. 1890.

EDMUND D. MERRILL,	}	<i>Selectmen</i>
OTIS A. MOUNTFORT,		
EDWARD ROSS,		
		<i>of</i>
		<i>Cumberland.</i>

# Selectmen and Assessors' Report

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## MONEY TAXES ASSESSED, 1889.

For State Tax,	\$1,534 41
County Tax,	593 92
Bridges,	250 00
Schools,	1,295 20
Interest,	1,300 62
Town Farm implements,	250 00
Collector's premium,	100 48
Overlay,	118 94
Def. highway tax returned,	138 49
Supplement,	2 59
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Total Assessment,	\$5,584 65

Total Valuation, 1889, \$632,440.

No. of Polls, 450.

Rate of Taxation,  $7\frac{2}{10}$  mills on a dollar.

Poll Tax, \$2.00.



## OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	\$84 75
B. J. Thompson, board of Betsy Hamilton,	26 00
J. M. Bates, M. D., certificate of insanity,	5 00
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	126 66
W. U. Telegraph Co., two telegrams,	92
B. J. Thompson, board of Betsey Hamilton in full,	23 00
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	119 93
Town of Brunswick, assistance rendered Minnie Darling,	16 83
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	73 56
“ “ “ “	8 87
Town of Windham, assistance to E. B. Field,	28 75
Hamilton & Co., burial expenses of Webber, year 1886,	15 00
L. L. Hale, M. D., med. attendance on McDonald family, 1886,	18 75
L. L. Hale, M. D., med. attendance on McDonald, year 1888.	12 30
Martin B. Hamilton, taking child to boat, 1888,	1 00
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	\$561 32
Appropriation,	\$600 00
Received from State,	171 45
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Balance unexpended,	\$771 45
	210 13

## CONTINGENT BILLS.

Paid Southworth Bros., printing reports,	\$19 00
S. S. Knight, recording tax deeds,	1 50
A. R. Littlefield, school com. year 1888,	13 41
N. D. Farwell, supt. burying ground,	6 00
S. L. Adams, plow for road machine,	10 00
E. H. Nutting, freight,	50
Benj. Whitney, box rent and postage,	2 00
Trustees of Greely Institute, amount received in aid of free high school,	251 00

Paid J. A. Bellows, correcting list vessel property,	6 00
Stevens & Jones, valuation books, etc.,	12 00
J. W. Mountfort, labor and materials, painting fence,	5 55
S. S. Knight, recording deeds,	1 50
Josiah Black, Supt. burying ground for 1888,	2 00
M. P. Sweetser, balance in full Collector's premium,	14 23
J. A. Blanchard, balance Collector's premium in full,	13 38
S. T. Merrill, crow bounty paid,	3 40
J. S. Adams & Son, sharpening drills, etc.,	6 06
L. P. Sturdivant, services as Moderator,	3 00
S. T. Merrill, for pension paid Eaton,	48 00
S. T. Merrill, non-resident taxes bid in by town,	44 50
S. T. Merrill, taking possession of, selling and conveying real estate, etc.,	8 00
F. S. Blanchard, attending funerals with hearse,	32 00
Alvin Leighton, resident taxes bid in by town,	58 19
George Blanchard, services Auditor year '88, '89,	1 50
D. L. Blanchard, services as Town Clerk,	17 77
D. L. Blanchard, services as Supt. of burying grounds, writing and recording deeds,	13 00
Symonds & Libby, legal advice and services to Jan. 15, '90,	61 35
Alvin Leighton, services as Constable,	10 50
Alvin Leighton, Collector's premium on taxes of years '87, '88, part payment,	165 00
A. Leighton, Collector's premium on taxes of '89, part payment,	54 00
John Alex. Hamilton, services as Constable,	3 00
Reuben Hill, services Supt. burying ground,	4 50
James L. Dunn, lighting street lamps and supplies,	2 08
A. H. Grannell, services board of health,	8 00
E. K. Sweetser, services as S. S. committee,	25 00
M. H. McCollister, " "	21 00
J. A. Skillings, wood for town office,	6 00
O. A. Mountfort, gravel for Dist. No. 16	5 00

Paid S. T. Merrill, services as Treasurer,		50 00
E. D. Merrill, express bills, etc.,		1 00
E. D. Merrill, services as Selectman, Assessor, etc.,		114 65
O. A. Mountfort, services as Selectman, Assessor, etc.,		90 50
Edward Ross, services as Selectman, Assessor, etc.,		46 45
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		\$1,261 52
Amount appropriated,	\$1,400 00	
Received from State,	251 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,651 00
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Balance in favor of appropriation,		\$389 48

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Paid R. H. McQuillan, bridge plank,		\$7 17
M. C. R. R. Co., one hundred sleepers,		5 00
“ “ forty old sleepers,		2 00
“ “ freight on timber,		3 60
Deering, Winslow & Co., bridge timber,		34 67
Simon Libby, bridge plank, etc.,		16 39
H. L. Babbidge, splitting stone, etc.,		22 50
J. W. Babbidge, “ “		43 00
E. G. Prince, 22 mudsills.		4 00
Geo. S. Doughty, labor on bridge,		37 62
David Nutting, lot plank,		1 50
W. L. Merrill, labor with team,		7 00
Henry Leighton, labor on bridge,		37 62
Albert Mountfort, “		32 37
Simeon Jones, “		37 62
Simeon Jones, labor on culvert,		6 00
O. A. Mountfort, labor and material,		24 25
O. A. Mountfort, moving derrick,		7 00
Amos J. Osgood, thirty yards stone,		9 00

Paid A. J. Dearborn & Son, use of derrick,	15 00
S. M. Latham, labor on bridge, etc,	43 75
E. D. Merrill, " "	25 71
L. H. Wilson, bridge plank,	8 08
Eben Hult, bridge work,	2 25
Thurston Bros., lighting street,	3 90
Wm. M. Merrill, five bridge stringers,	6 25
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	\$443 25
Amount raised by town,	250 00
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Balance against town,	\$193 25

## NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid trustees of Greely Institute one-half year's interest on notes,	\$624 00
Trustees of Greely Institute, one-half years's interest on notes,	624 00
Treasurer of Cumberland school fund, interest on note,	52 62
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	\$1,300 62
Amount raised by town,	\$1,300 62

## SNOW BILLS.

Paid E. S. W. Jones, breaking snow,	\$4 10
John F. Holme, "	85
Nathaniel Thompson, "	6 50
Sylvanus Higgins, "	11 61
Solomon F. Hamilton, "	4 80
H. P. Breiel, "	1 55
Wm. S. Blanchard, "	4 55
E. O. Russell, "	1 75
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	\$35 71
Appropriation,	300 00
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Balance in favor of appropriation,	\$264 29

## ROAD REPAIR BILLS.

Paid J. R. Duran, road repairs,	\$ 90
Seward L. Field, "	11 50
A. H. Farris, "	6 71
Solomon F. Hamilton, road repairs,	6 95
E. B. Osgood, "	3 25
Robt. N. Leighton, "	4 75
L. D. Farwell, "	75
Nathan L. Merrill, "	7 30
J. A. Skillings, road work,	90 65
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	\$132 76
Def. highway tax of 1888 returned, etc.,	138 49
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Balance in favor of town,	\$5 73

## TAXES ABATED IN 1889.

Abated on lists of M. P. Sweetser by vote of town,	\$30 23
" " Alvin Leighton by selectmen,	4 00
" " Alvin Leighton by vote of town,	8 52
" " Alvin Leighton by selectmen,	12 51
" " J. A. Blanchard by vote of town,	93
" " Alvin Leighton by selectmen,	26 25
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Total abatements,	\$82 44

## DISCOUNT ACCOUNT.

Paid Alvin Leighton, discount on taxes collected,	\$89 04
No appropriation.	

## DOG AND SHEEP BILLS.

Paid Archie B. Wyman, for one sheep killed by dog,	\$ 3 00
J. A. Blanchard, " " "	3 00
Albert A. Sweetser, for one sheep killed by dogs in July, 1888,	4 00
Asa Merrill, for three sheep killed by dogs,	12 00
Sumner Sturdivant, five sheep killed by dogs,	20 00
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	\$42 00

Special tax assessed on dogs in year 1888, to be used to pay for sheep killed in town by dogs. By report made year ending Feb. 22, 1889, there was a balance of said tax unexpended,	59 00
Unexpended balance,	<u>\$17 00</u>

## TOWN FARM BILLS.

Paid Wm. H. Webster, for oxen,	\$140 00
E. D. Merrill, pair tie chains,	75
J. A. Skillings, balance salary to April 9, 1889,	50 00
Josiah Morrill, ox wheels, cart, rack and chains,	25 00
Kendall & Whitney, one plow and one pump,	16 00
O. A. Mountfort, one harrow, ox yoke and bows, steel bar, etc.,	11 40
King & Dexter, barbed wire and staples,	8 11
Kendall & Whitney, for churn and cultivator,	12 50
Israel A. Skillings, on salary,	40 00
King & Dexter, barbed wire.	4 92
Kendall & Whitney, one buck-eye mower and Yankee rake,	68 00
O. A. Mountfort, cash paid for trucking,	2 00
N. B. Wilson & Son, supplies,	20 17
I. A. Skillings, on salary,	50 00
O. A. Mountfort, for straw,	3 50
Silas M. Rideout, repairing wheel,	10 51
James L. Dunn, supplies for farm,	44 78
“ “ 700 lbs. superphosphate,	12 60
N. B. Wilson & Son, supplies for farm,	32 03
C. A. Merrill, for cow and calf,	35 00
Eastman Bros. & Bancroft, 1 pair blankets.	1 75
J. A. Skillings, on salary,	60 00
H. R. Mountfort, one ox-sled,	8 00
N. B. Wilson & Son, supplies,	24 10
D. L. Blanchard, making and filling grave, etc., for R. Stubbs,	6 00
N. W. Morse, coffin and robe for R. Stubbs,	20 00
N. B. Wilson & Son, supplies furnished,	9 3

Paid H. M. Moulton, M. D., medical attendance on	
Mr. Stubbs,	7 75
J. A. Skillings, on salary,	108 00
James L. Dunn, supplies for farm,	25 00
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	\$857 18
Amounts, assessed and appropriated.	850 00
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Expended in excess of appropriation,	\$7 18

## SUMMARY.

Amt. asses'd, or appropriated from previous assessm'ts.		Amt. expended.
For outside poor,	\$ 600 00	\$ 561 32
notes and interest,	1,300 62	1,300 62
bridges,	250 00	443 25
snow bills,	300 00	35 71
contingent,	1,400 00	1,261 51
schools,	2,297 79	2,316 01
discounts,	no appropriat'n	89 04
sheep bills,	"	42 00
unpaid highway,	138 49	132 76
town farm bills,	850 00	857 18
overlay,	118 94	
supplement,	2 59	
collector's prem.,	100 48	
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	\$7,358 91	\$7,039 41
Amt. rec'd from State, free high		
school,	251 00	abatem't 82 43
from est. Lucy Whitcomb,	83 30	
from State for reimbursm't,	171 45	
from sales of oxen and one		
cow on farm,	180 00	
from town team labor,	90 65	
from Supt. town farm from		
products sold,	36 00	
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	\$8,171 31	\$7,121 84
Balance in favor of town,		\$1,049 47

## LIABILITIES.

Notes due Greely Institute,	\$20,800 00
Notes due Cumberland school fund,	877 00
Balance due school districts,	563 76
Outstanding bills estimated,	60 00
Town orders unpaid,	13 58
	<u>\$22,314 34</u>

## ASSETS.

Balance due from treasurer, as per his report,	\$6,678 08
“ “ on tax deeds,	345 61
“ “ from State for schools,	909 97
Town farm with buildings thereon, stock, farming utensils, etc., valued,	2,500 00
	<u>\$10,433 67</u>
Balance against town,	<u>\$11,880 67</u>

The following abatements have been made in the year 1889  
by Selectmen :

Names	Date of Assessm'ts.	Cause.	Poll Tax.	Personal Est. Tax.	Unpaid Highw'y.	Total.
Samuel B. Clough,	1887, 1888,	Poverty and Infirmity,	\$4 00			\$4 00
Josh Black, Jr.,						
Warren Cowdrey,	1887,	“	2 00	72	1 00	3 72
Alfred L. Dyer,	1887,	“	2 00			2 00
Hugh McDonald,	1887,	“	2 00			2 00
Albert L. Swan,	1887,	“	1 25			1 25
C. A. R. Webber,	1887,	“	2 00			2 00
Warren Cowdrey,	1888,	“	2 00		1 00	3 00
Josh Black, Jr.,	1888,	Pov. & death,	2 00	25		2 25
Axel Decoster,	1889,	Death,	2 00			2 00
H. L. Doughty,	1888,	Not Resident,	2 00			2 00
Alfred L. Dyer,	1888,	Poverty,	2 00			2 00
Willis H. Leighton, 2d	1889,	“	2 00			2 00
Michael Mansfield,	1889,	Not Resident,	2 00		1 00	3 00
Hugh McDonald,	1888,	Poverty,	2 00			2 00
Edwin C. Morrill,	1888,	Not Resident,	2 00			2 00
Charles Thomes,	1888,	Poverty,	2 00			2 00
Albert L. Swan,	1888,	“	2 00			2 00
C. A. R. Webber,	1888,	“	2 00			2 00
Total abatements by Selectmen,						<u>\$42 76</u>

EDMUND D. MERRILL,	} Selectmen of Cumberland.
OTIS A. MOUNTFORT,	
EDWARD ROSS,	

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing ac-  
counts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEO. BLANCHARD, Auditor.



REPORT OF  
OVERSEERS OF POOR.

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*To the citizens of the Town of Cumberland:*

Your overseers submit the following report:—We commenced the year with the following persons receiving aid or support from the town: Rufus Stubbs, Olive Titcomb, Anna Merrill and Jessie Morton at Alms House; L. D. F. Eaton, Carrie W. Sweetser and J. J. Mainwaring at Asylum at Augusta. Betsy Hamilton boarding at B. J. Thompson's at an expense of \$1.00 per week. Eaton died at hospital June 29, 1889. Mainwaring was discharged from hospital Oct. 24, 1889, and Carrie Sweetser died Dec. 17, 1889. We close the year with no one in hospital. We have been reimbursed by the State for expenses of J. J. Mainwaring a State pauper, amounting to \$171.45. Betsy Hamilton died Aug. 17, 1889.

We have paid the Town of Windham \$28.75 for assistance to E. B. Field and family during the year past. Minnie Darling became chargeable in the Town of Brunswick in Aug. last. We were notified of the case in Sept., and on the eleventh day of Oct., 1889 we removed her to alms house where she with Olive Titcomb and Anna Merrill remain at the present time.

We paid Town of Brunswick sixteen dollars and eighty-three cents for expenses of Minnie Darling. The net cost of supporting poor outside of alms house for the year was \$387.87.

## ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM MATTERS.

At commencement of year Israel A. Skillings and wife had charge of the above for term to end April 9, 1889. At the close of that term we engaged the same parties to take charge of inmates and farm for one year to end April 9, 1890 for a salary of \$300. We feel fully satisfied with their management, and hope their services may be secured for another year. Jessie Morton was taken from alms house on trial April 19, and on the 4th day of June was legally adopted to the same parties. Rufus Stubbs died Feb. 15, 1890. Greatest number of inmates during the year 4, smallest number 3, average number for the year  $3\frac{1}{2}$ .

The net expenses of support of poor at alms house, \$439.13. We took an inventory of all stock, farming tools, household furniture, produce, etc., at the farm Feb. 18, 1890, a schedule of which may be seen at town office. We estimated the same to be worth \$611.83. Some additions made to farming implements during the year: 1 Buckeye mower, 1 Yankee rake, 1 horse-hoe and cultivator, 1 harrow, 1 pair ox wheels with cart and rack, ox sled, churn, 1 Hussey plow, etc., etc. We bought 1 pair oxen in spring of 1889, and sold them after using them for the season, for \$145. Sold one cow and bought another for the farm. The amount of wood and lumber at door is equal to that mentioned one year ago.

TOWN FARM AND ALMSHOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH  
TOWN OF CUMBERLAND.

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To value of stock, farming implements, household goods, etc., as appraised Feb. 15, '89,	\$500 00
Cash in hands of Supt., Feb. 15, '89,	88
Amount paid in town orders as shown in Selectmen's report,	857 18
Cash paid by Supt., as by account rendered for supplies, etc., to Feb., 18, '90,	189 33
Goods, received from exchange of products,	57 19
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	\$1,604 58

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By cash received by Supt., as per account rendered from sale of products,	\$162 88
By cash received by Supt., labor for individuals with team, as per account rendered,	62 90
Cash paid town Treasurer by Supt., from team labor on roads,	90 65
Products sold, exchanged for supplies,	57 19
Received from sale of oxen and one cow,	180 00
Value of stock, farming implements, household goods, etc., as per inventory made Feb. 18, 1890,	611 83
	<hr/> \$1,165 45
Balance against town farm,	\$439 13

EDMUND D. MERRILL, } *Overseers of*  
 OTIS A. MOUNTFORT, } *Poor of*  
 EDWARD ROSS. } *Cumberland*

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Balance in treasury March, 1889,	\$ 8,737 79
Assessors commitments 1889,	3,456 32
Rec'd from State for schools,	984 65
Cumberland school fund,	92 62
State in aid of free high school,	250 00
State Treasurer for telegraph and railroad tax, 1888,	3 97
Land taken possession of and sold,	160 00
Tax deeds redeemed,	183 78
Lots in new cemetery,	43 50
Sam'l Clough, administrator of the estate of Lucy Whitcomb,	83 30
Town Farm for cow,	35 00
Town farm for oxen sold,	145 00
Cash rec'd from Town farm,	30 00
from I. A. Skillings, Supt. of Town farm, labor on road with team,	90 65
from I. A. Skillings, Supt., one cord of wood for town office,	6 00
from Treasurer of State for support of John J. Mainwaring, State pauper,	171 45

Cash rec'd from Treasurer of State for pension of Cyrus H. Eaton,	48 00
from Treas. of State crow bounty,	3 40
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	\$14,525 43
Paid out town orders,	7,847 35
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Balance due the town,	\$6,678 08
Due from Alvin Leighton, Collector,	\$1,624 20
Savings Bank aid for high school,	250 00
National Traders Bank,	4,566 11
Cash to balance,	237 77
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	\$6,678 08

S. T. MERRILL, *Treasurer of Cumberland.*

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I hereby certify that I have examined the Treasurer's account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEO. BLANCHARD, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE.

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The Spring term of school commenced March 4, 1889, with F. Whitney, A. B., as Principal, James H. Johnson, A. B., teacher of Sciences and Miss Alma M. Brackett, teacher of English branches, and continued ten weeks. Whole number of pupils, 69.

The Fall term commenced August 26, Mr. Whitney, Principal, and Miss Brackett, assistant, and continued twelve weeks. Whole number pupils, 62.

The Winter term commenced Dec. 2; Fairfield Whitney, A. B., Principal, Alma M. Brackett and Edward W. Morrill, assistant teachers, and continued eleven weeks. Whole number pupils, 71.

The Spring term begins March 3, 1890, with F. Whitney, Principal; assistants, Alma M. Brackett and Henry J. Merrill.

PERMANENT FUND.

For Town of Cumberland note,	\$12,000 00
For Town of Cumberland note,	6,000 00
For Town of Cumberland note,	2,000 00
	\$20,000 00
Total,	

## PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS FUND.

For Town of Cumberland note,		\$300 00
Cash on hand,		27 26
One year's interest on note,		18 00
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		\$345 26
Paid H. H. Hay & Son, chemicals,	\$5 19	
H. H. Hay & Son,        "	4 08	
James L. Dunn, apparatus, etc.,	2 22	
Cash to balance,	33 77	
	<hr/>	\$45 26
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Town of Cumberland note,		\$300 00

## LIBRARY FUND.

For Amount in Portland Savings Bank,		\$573 39
Amount of May and November dividends,		26 07
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		\$599 46
Paid Stevens & Jones, for books,	\$15 80	
Elwell, Pickard & Co., Poets of Maine,	2 50	
R. P. Prince, City Boys in the Woods,	2 00	
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Amount remaining in Portland Savings bank,		\$579 16

## ACCUMULATED FUND.

For Town of Cumberland note,		\$500 00
Amount in Maine Savings Bank,		596 42
Amount due on tuition book,		28 00
Cash to balance,		64 76
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		\$1,189 18

GENERAL INCOME FROM PERMANENT FUND AND  
OTHER SOURCES,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE.

Paid Southworth Bros. printing reports,	\$ 5 00
Fairfield Whitney, teaching Spring term,	212 12
James H. Johnson, " "	130 00
Alma M. Brackett, " "	100 00
R. H. Blanchard, janitor Spring term,	18 00
Class of '89, programmes, etc.,	5 00
Southworth Bros., catalogues,	12 50
Dora H. Adams, cleaning institute, etc.,	12 46
J. A. Skillings, labor with team,	5 25
O. A. Mountfort, labor one day,	1 50
J. L. Dunn, 15 ½ tons coal,	100 75
W. P. Hastings, one piano stool,	2 00
Fairfield Whitney, teaching Fall term,	290 90
Alma M. Brackett, " "	120 00
A. W. Blake, " "	6 00
Exhibition Com., programmes and music,	10 00
R. H. Blanchard, janitor Fall term,	18 00
" " supplies and extra labor,	1 90
O. S. Collins, one cord wood,	5 00
A. R. Alexander, repairs on furnace,	9 70
J. S. Adams, blacksmith work,	75
M. C. Milliken, tuning piano,	2 00
F. Whitney, teaching Winter term,	266 66
" rank bills,	1 75
E. W. Morrill, teaching Winter term,	132 00
Alma M. Brackett, " "	110 00
R. H. Blanchard, janitor Winter term,	20 00
" " repairs and supplies,	1 50
James L. Dunn, supplies,	9 14
Benj. Whitney, labor and materials, repairs,	7 10
Fenrick S. Blanchard, express work,	50
E. D. Merrill, services as trustee,	20 00
O. A. Mountfort, " "	2 00



Amount cash in Maine Savings Bank,	596 42
Cash in hand to balance account,	64 76
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	\$2,300 66
By cash balance from 1888,	\$ 35 49
Amount in Maine Savings Bank,	579 26
Cash from J. H. Johnson, books sold,	30
Cash from town Treasurer in aid of free high schools,	251 00
Cash, tuitions, Spring term,	44 50
Cash, old iron, etc., sold,	70
Interest on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000 and \$500 town notes,	615 00
Cash, tuitions, Fall term,	77 00
Cash for pipe sold,	75
Interest, on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000 and \$500 town notes,	615 00
Tuition Winter term,	64 50
Two dividends in Maine Savings Bank,	17 16
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	\$2,300 66
EDMUND D. MERRILL,	} Trustees of Greely Institute.
OTIS A. MOUNTFORT,	
EDWARD ROSS,	

This certifies that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEO. BLANCHARD, *Auditor.*

# SCHOOL REPORT.

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*Fellow Citizens:*

The report of our common schools for 1889-90 will be unusually brief. Experience has taught us, that, however enthusiastic your committee may be over the much needed improvement in our schools, our suggestions will be laid aside as of little importance, and our hearts are sad as we find ourselves powerless to turn away the wrong that is being done to the children and youth of our town. But we still affirm that our schools are suffering for want of a more consolidated district system.

On the first day of April, 1889, there were in the town 505 scholars between the ages of four and twenty-one years. The whole amount of money appropriated for common school the past year \$2,297.79. This was distributed among the several districts as follows:

District.	Scholars.	Prin	Per Cent
No. 1	14	\$54 04	\$40 00
" 2	44	169 84	35 00
" 3	66	254 76	
" 4	45	173 70	45 00
" 5	44	169 84	45 00
" 6	6	23 16	20 00
" 7	23	88 78	35 00
" 8	109	420 74	
" 9	116	447 76	18 49
" 10	11	42 46	35 00
" 13	20	77 20	40 00
" 14	7	27 20	35 00

## DISTRICT No. 1.

In district No. 1 school opened May 13 and continued seven weeks, under the instruction of Louie Quinby. Whole number attending, 9, average, 6. We have previously spoken of Miss Quinby as a teacher, and simply say, that as in all her schools, —large or small—the pupils walked straight, got their lessons and improved.

Winter term.—Alice Randall, a faithful enthusiastic teacher, who did thorough work for her pupils and inspired them to do the same for themselves. Those parents who did not send their children to school made a sad mistake. She would have done them all good.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

This school continued eight weeks and was taught by Lutie Fox. Whole number registered, 22, average number 15. Miss Fox worked hard and faithfully. If kindness and earnest effort could have done it, her school would have been a success. In the right school she would do excellent work.

Fall and winter terms under the instruction of Edward I. Kemp. This school needed a man and the agent was wise in employing one. We found the order much improved, and both terms, in many respects were profitable.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

The school was for the year under the instruction of Emma Whitney. This school, was in many respects a model one. The reading classes deserve special mention and praise. In fact all the recitations were prompt and earnest, showing careful drill.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

Spring and fall terms were taught by Miss May Q. Wilson. Number of pupils attending the spring term 20; average number 19. Number registered in the fall term 23; average number 22. Miss Wilson is one of our most thorough scholars and understands what she teaches, being able to impart it to her pupils. We were pleased with the improvement made, and her registers gave the names of five pupils in the spring term and ten in the fall, not absent one-half day.

Winter term was taught by Mr. Alvin Leighton. Whole number of pupils registered 27, average 21. The district was fortunate in again having Mr. Leighton, who is a very earnest teacher, and it is evident that good work was done. We regret that some of the pupils were unable to attend regularly.

#### DISTRICT No. 5.

Miss Hannah Stiles had charge of this school for the year. Whole number of scholars registered in the spring '25, in the fall 26, and in the winter term 32; average number in the spring 23, in the fall 22, and in the winter term 28. Miss Stiles and her pupils still retain their former reputation, as this school has always appeared very orderly and studious, and has one of the best records of attendance. Eleven pupils in the spring, two in the fall, and six in the winter term were not absent one-half day. One has been present every day during the year.

#### DISTRICT No. 6.

This district has been suspended, the scholars now attend district No. 3.

#### DISTRICT No. 7.

Both terms were taught by Miss Susie M. Merrill. Number of pupils registered in the spring term 6; number registered in the fall term 7; average for both terms 5. This is a small school and more difficult to keep the pupils interested than a larger one. Miss Merrill being enthusiastic, succeeded well, especially in teaching reading.

#### DISTRICT No. 8.—AGENT, WILLIAM SEABURY.

Teachers: Lena A. McCollister, Lottie Stevens and A. Hutchinson.

#### DISTRICT No. 9.—AGENT, A. H. GRANNELL.

Teachers: Spring, Isabel E. Bennett and Sadie L. Grannell. Fall, C. A. Preble and Cora G. Hamilton. Winter, A. R. Littlefield.

## DISTRICT No. 10.—BAILEY OSGOOD, AGENT.

Teacher, Annie Hamilton. There has been no school in the territory including Stave, Ministerial and Bates' Islands, as they have no school house.

Our agents have made an effort to engage only such teachers as had first-class reputations. Very fair work has been done, but from unavoidable circumstances some of the results have not been quite satisfactory to your committee.

A. R. LITTLEFIELD, *Committee.*

## DISTRICT No. 13.

Spring term eight weeks. Taught by Annie V. Blanchard. Number registered 10; average 9. Miss Blanchard is calm and self-possessed in the school room, and with more enthusiasm and animation, will make a fine teacher.

Fall term taught by Inez M. Rowe. Opened Sept. 30, and continued eight weeks. Number registered 8; average 6. Miss Rowe manifestly loved her work, was conscientiously faithful, and gave promise of becoming an excellent teacher. It would be a blessing to pupils in this district and help to all others if this district was suspended.

If agents would acquaint themselves with the special needs of their own districts and employ teachers accordingly, it would do much toward the improvement of the schools.

Aug 1, 1890, the new school law goes into operation. Money will be needed to meet its demands. While we recommend a careful and economic expenditure, let us be careful that we do not cramp our schools. After carefully considering the matter, we cannot recommend that a less sum than \$500 be raised to meet this contingency. Only what is absolutely necessary need be used. We all know, or ought to know, that what we pay in taxes for such public good, pays four times as much interest as any other investment we can make.

## GREELY INSTITUTE.

In reporting this institution, it gives us pleasure to say that the record of the past year may be classed with those which have been considered satisfactory. Mr. Whitney and Miss Brackett have fully sustained all that has been said of them in the past.

We also congratulate the trustees in being able to secure the services of Mr. Morrill, whom we found to be a thorough scholar and faithful teacher. We sincerely hope his work in Greely Institute is not ended. If students have not made the advance that was expected, it has not been for want of earnest effort on the part of teachers.

As a citizen who has watched this school from its first term to the present with special interest, allow me to ask if the present system of graduation is not proving a detriment to its students, and to the reputation of the institution? Is not the habit which the American people have fallen into, of rushing their boys and girls over certain courses of study, in order to have them graduate at a certain time, already producing its evil effects in more ways than one?

In recommending a certain individual, among other things we testified that said person was a graduate from such a school, the reply came—"I would give no more for a certificate from that institution than for a piece of blank paper." So we say do not be in a hurry to graduate. Be sure that you have fully and completely mastered all that is laid down in the course before you think of it. Remember that what best fits us for life's duties is not the amount we go over, but the thoroughness which marks our work. Discipline your minds to give strict attention to every point the teacher gives, and many of you will accomplish more in one year than you do in two years.

Respectfully submitted,

M. H. McCOLLISTER,  
E. K. SWEETSER,  
A. R. LITTLEFIELD.