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AUGUSTA :
PRESS OF THE MAINE FARMER.
1903.

Officers of the Town of Belgrade.

Elected March 3, 1902 :

MODERATOR,

E. F. Yeaton.

TOWN CLERK,

E. H. Mosher.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

James Tebbetts, E. F. Yeaton, F. L. Pray.

TREASURER,

E. H. Mosher.

COLLECTOR,

Paul Hammond.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

E. O. Tibbitts, John M. Cummings, Harry Alexander.

SUPERINTENDENT,

J. C. Hewett.

AUDITOR,

E. O. Tibbitts.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

TO THE CITIZENS OF BELGRADE :

We herewith submit our annual report of the financial standing of the town for the year ending Feb. 13, 1903.

VALUATION FOR 1902.

Real estate, resident.....	\$266,602 00	
Real estate, non-resident.....	53,630 00	
Personal estate, resident.....	63,590 00	
Personal estate, non-resident.....	5,022 00	
Total.....		\$388,844 00
Amount of tax on same.....	\$7,971 30	
257 polls at \$3.00.....	771 00	
		\$8,742 30
Rate .0205.		

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1902.

State tax for 1902.....	\$1,123 60	
County tax for 1902.....	389 32	
Town grant to pay town charges.....	1,600 00	
" " for support of schools.....	1,300 00	
" " repairs of schoolhouses.	300 00	
" " purchase of school books	150 00	
" " building of schoolhouse	500 00	
" " repairs of roads & bridges	2,700 00	
" " snow bills of 1901 & 1902	500 00	
Overlay	179 38	
Total appropriation.....		\$8,742 30
Supplementary tax.....		31 78
		\$8,774 08
Total commitment.....		\$8,774 08

Paid bills accrued prior to Feb. 13, 1902 :	
Paid F. A. Page, services as Selectman.....	\$65 00
E. F. Yeaton, services as Selectman.....	48 75
F. L. Pray, services as Selectman.....	35 25
C. M. Weston, Auditor.....	11 00
E. H. Mosher, Town Clerk.....	5 00
E. E. Dunn, Supervisor of schools.....	80 00
F. L. Pray, cash paid for counsel.....	1 00
C. W. Hussey, attorney fees in Palermo case....	7 83
E. H. Mosher, pauper supplies for Ward Safford.	7 98
Paul Hammond, balance com. for 1901.....	54 42
Printing town reports.....	25 20
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	\$341 43

Paul Hammond, abatements for 1901 :	
Mary A. Staples, over-valuation..	\$3 30
C. H. Clark, poll tax.....	3 00
Howard Perkins, over-valuation....	2 05
D. L. Bachelder, poll tax.....	3 00
Stephen Bickford.....	2 20
Herbert Bean, paid in Mercer.....	3 00
M. W. Birch.....	3 88
Charles Gireaux.....	3 00
T. F. Ingraham.....	3 00
Horace A. Libby.....	3 00
Arthur Mosher, not of age.....	3 00
Charles Pease.....	3 00
R. A. Roakes.....	3 00
Chas. Richardson, heirs of.....	88
Sewall Stimford.....	3 00
Charles Tracy.....	3 00
Webster Tracy.....	3 44
Dennis Burke.....	3 00
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	51 75
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	\$393 18

C. W. Hussey retained ten dollars from the bill due from Palermo for services in addition to bill reported above.

Paid for support of poor the past year :

Paid Hattie Damren, on acct. of Achsa Dunn.....	\$106 50
E. H. Mosher, clothing for Achsa Dunn.....	2 35
On account of Jane Mignault.....	105 45
Industrial School, on account of Grace Scates...	13 00
On account of James Milliken.....	16 66
Augusta, on account of Wilson Hawes.....	7 25
On account of Elizabeth S. Trask.....	125 46
“ “ “ George E. Bragg.....	20 20

\$396 87

Received of James Tebbetts, guardian of E. S. Trask.. 42 00

\$354 87

Paid for support of poor belonging to other towns :

Paid on acct. of Turner children.....	\$11 00
on acct. Horace A. Libby	29 36
	<u>40 36</u>
Received from Palermo.....	\$11 00
Due from Madrid.....	29 36
	<u>40 36</u>

SHEEP ACCOUNT.

Amount reported due last year.....	\$3 50
Paid A. J. Hersom.....	35 62
M. J. Richardson.....	28 00
G. B. Staples.....	3 00
	<u>70 12</u>
Received from State.....	\$70 12

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Antitoxine, Formaldehyde and administering the same.....	\$44 24
E. H. Mosher, postal cards and printing same for dog notices	1 50
J. H. Thing, mowing cemetery.....	11 25
A. M. Goddard, counsel fees.....	2 00
Dr. H. F. Shaw, reporting births and deaths.	1 00
Book, blanks, stationery and postage.....	22 19
A. R. Damren, constable, 1902.....	7 50

Paul Hammond, collecting tax of 1902.....	95 70	
" " cash paid Williamson & Bur-		
leigh collecting tax of 1901.....	4 77	
Wesley H. Clark, ballot clerk.....	1 50	
F. C. Foster, " " 	1 50	
E. O. Tibbitts, " " 	1 50	
Joseph Merrow, " " 	1 50	
L. E. Reynolds, reporting births and deaths..	2 25	
E. H. Mosher, recording " " " ..	4 95	
" " " making cemetery deeds.....	1 50	
" " " express and postage.....	2 08	
Belgrade Grange, rent of hall.....	25 00	
Traveling expenses of selectmen....	16 55	
	<hr/>	\$ 248 48
Paid for repairing town house.....		\$116 04

Recapitulation.

Appropriated for town charges.....		\$1,600 00
Received for interest on taxes		105 81
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		\$1,705 81
Paid bills accrued prior to Feb. 13, 1902.....	\$393 18	
for support of poor.....	354 87	
for miscellaneous expenses	248 48	
for repairs of town house.....	116 04	
interest on treasury notes.....	128 17	
E. H. Mosher, com. as treasurer.....	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,280 74
Unexpended balance		\$425 07
Orders drawn on school committee for new schoolhouses	\$1,499 04	
Orders drawn on J. C. Hewett, Superintend- ent.....	2,387 66	
	<hr/>	\$3,886 70
Prior highway orders.....	\$70 39	
Orders drawn on Bert Alexander.....	3,570 60	
	<hr/>	\$3,640 99
Total amount of orders drawn to pay town charges....		\$1,263 95

RESOURCES.

Due from Paul Hammond, collector for 1901.....	\$17 31
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1902.....	4,850 38
Interest on same.....	36 37
Due from State for dog license, est.....	95 00
“ “ Madrid, on account of H. A. Libby.....	29 36
“ “ J. N. Weaver, for windows.....	5 00
“ “ Will Foster, for brick.....	5 00
“ “ Rome, due on schools.....	16 00
Cash in treasury, Feb. 13, 1903.....	137 76
Lumber for bridges on hand.....	60 00
Total.....	\$5,252 18

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding treasury notes.....	\$3,985 00
Interest on same.....	128 17
Due James Tebbetts, services as Selectman.....	65 00
E. F. Yeaton, services as Selectman.....	47 75
F. L. Pray, services as Selectman.....	35 50
J. C. Hewett, Supervisor.....	80 00
E. H. Mosher, Town Clerk.....	5 00
E. O. Tibbetts, Auditor.....	5 00
Outstanding town orders.....	76 19
Printing reports.....	25 00
Due L. W. Bachelder, rent of land.....	4 00
Board of Health.....	8 75
Due several school districts.....	432 16
Resources above liabilities.....	\$4,897 52
	\$354 66

The above we believe to be a correct report of the financial standing of the town, with the exception of the highway bills that are outstanding, which we have no means of reporting or estimating. The difference between the resources above liabilities reported this year and last, is mainly due to the fact, that the eight hundred raised for a new schoolhouse in 1901, and included in the resources of last year, has been applied to the purpose for which it was raised. We have also dropped from the resources all questionable assets.

JAMES TEBBETTS,
E. F. YEATON,
F. L. PRAY,
Selectmen of Belgrade.

Belgrade, Feb. 14, 1903.

Road Commissioners' Report.

SUMMER—1901.

A. W. Sawtelle, labor.....	\$2 00
John F. Stanley, labor.....	3 25
C. M. Pray, labor.....	63
Charles Pinkham, labor.....	1 50
Albert Furbush, labor.....	3 87
John Lord, labor.....	1 25
A. J. Hersom, labor.....	7 02
James A. Brown, labor and lumber.....	4 83
John Thyng, labor.....	4 25
H. W. Golder, lumber.....	3 08
Frank J. Lord, labor and lumber.....	18 25
George Yeaton.....	8 70
Samuel Whitehouse.....	2 18
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	\$60 81

HERBERT ALEXANDER, *Road Commissioner.*

WINTER 1901-2.

Snow Bills.

Herbert Alexander, services as road commissioner.....	\$7 50
Herbert Alexander, labor with team.....	15 33
Clinton Stevens, labor.....	5 08
Alton Farnham, “.....	50
A. W. Sawtelle, “.....	3 31
H. C. White, “.....	3 00
John F. Stanley, “.....	3 58
Henry Farnham, “.....	7 37
E. R. Littlefield, “.....	6 96
O. E. Littlefield, “.....	1 94
Elnore Farnham, “.....	4 37

Howard E. Gowell, labor.....	3 37
George M. Gowell, “	2 02
O. H. Gowell, “	13 33
N. D. Farnham, “	17 13
William Foster, “	3 67
J. T. Wyman, “	7 98
William Mills, “	2 62
A. Merrow, “	5 88
L. B. Dolloff, “	9 00
A. M. Johnson, “	3 37
Wilbur Hews, “	2 43
Albert B. Staples, “	13 32
Aden Brooks, “	4 04
George Lord, “	2 48
John Tibbetts, “	14 35
Charles Stevens, “	1 88
Chester Bachelder, “	2 46
N. G. Damren, “	2 00
H. S. Mosher, “	1 00
Norman Damren, “	56
M. M. Judkins, “	13 20
H. R. Austin, “	4 25
Melvin Atkins, “	75
Pray Bros., “	3 92
Charles T. Pinkham, “	83
Wm. E. Farnham, “	4 73
Joseph Shepherd, “	3 90
John M. Cummings, “	9 75
Frank W. Merrow, “	2 50
A. J. Hersom, “	2 44
H. C. White, “	1 13
C. M. Bickford, “	11 77
Herbert Bickford, “	6 27
C. A. Cook, “	2 93
Alanson Bickford, “	3 00
L. D. Elwell, “	1 25
C. A. Cook, “	2 06
S. Chandler, “	3 98
W. P. Cummings, “	11 85
William Sawyer, “	7 12
E. C. Knowles, “	24 29
Asa Stevens, “	1 77

W. H. Knowles,	“	.....	13	65
James Stevens,	“	.....	15	31
Jacob Furbush,	“	.....	9	25
L. K. Stevens,	“	.....	10	11
Charles Willey,	“	.....	3	12
William Willey,	“	.....	3	54
E. A. Cummings,	“	.....		88
G. J. Cummings,	labor and crossing land.....		12	18
Foster Bros.,	labor.....		10	58
C. M. Pray,	“	.....	4	21
M. F. Damren,	“	.....		75
Andrew Page,	“	.....		75
J. P. Wyman,	“	.....	3	31
H. C. Mills,	“	.....	2	38
E. L. Page,	“	.....	2	56
H. H. Adams,	“	.....	8	84
F. A. Page,	“	.....	10	44
Walter Knowles,	“	.....	7	50
J. H. Dunlap,	“	.....	1	50
Wm. Wadleigh,	Labor.....		12	01
B. P. Stuart,	“	.....	29	10
C. H. Haskell,	“	.....	7	69
Elbridge Trask,	“	.....		87
A. Yeaton,	“	.....	6	10
J. N. Penney,	“	.....	4	90
John Thyng,	“	.....	35	67
Jesse Spaulding,	“	.....	2	00
M. E. Ames,	“	.....	2	75
C. H. Yeaton,	“	.....	3	18
James C. Hewett,	“	.....	29	92
John Tibbetts,	“	.....	1	30
Harry L. Alexander,	“	.....	5	35
H. H. Tibbetts,	“	.....	5	97
Joel Richardson,	“	.....	2	25
Stephen Bickford,	“	.....	2	75
Seth Bickford,	“	.....	2	50
Nason Bickford,	“	.....	2	87
E. O. Tibbetts,	“	.....	2	12
Albert Staples,	“	.....	2	20
Horace Downes,	“	.....	7	73
Marcellus Farnham,	“	.....	1	90

F. E. Damren,	“	2 24
George L. Minot,	“	3 13
E. L. Yeaton,	“	2 37
S. Austin,	“	4 15
Ida L. Turner,	“ of team.....	4 88
Daniel Jones,	“	1 62
Greenwood Stevens,	“	1 56
John Ellis,	“	3 24
J. M. Furbush,	“	11 32
Richardson Bros.,	“	2 35
Wm. Taylor,	“	2 06
Alfred Rowe,	“	6 50
G. A. Stoddard,	“	13 66
Frank P. Hall,	“	4 12
J. E. Wadleigh,	“	7 12
G. G. Bartlett,	“	8 24
A. C. Dudley,	“	8 00
C. H. Clark,	“	7 17
W. H. Clark,	“	3 95
E. L. Page,	“	5 87
F. A. Scribner,	“	11 85
F. P. Hall,	“	5 1
George S. Lord,	“	4 4
W. E. Lord,	“	4 60
Frank F. Kelley,	“	1 08
H. P. Priest,	“	7 87
Joseph Merrow,	“	5 55
C. M. Weston & Son,	“	16 7
O. H. Gowell,	“	10 80
H. P. Chandler,	“	10 82
Avery Merrow,	“	6 98
A. W. Sawtelle,	“	6 00
G. G. Bartlett,	“	5 25
James Tibbetts,	“	2 00
Elbridge Trask,	“	87
Frank J. Lord,	“	5 95
H. R. Austin,	“	1 62
E. H. Mosher,	“	2 00
L. A. Bartlett,	“	2 88
Elias Farnham,	“	1 00
Algia Farnham,	“	3 75

G. A. Clark,	“	3 00
C. H. Wyman,	“	3 50
E. T. Yeaton,	“	11 36
G. C. Sawtelle,	“	75
C. D. Wadleigh,	“	29 55
F. L. Dunn,	“	6 24
Samuel Whitehouse,	“	5 75
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		\$869 41
Amount appropriated.....		500 00
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Amount overdrawn		\$369 41

HERBERT ALEXANDER, *Road Commissioner.*

Road Commissioners' Report for 1902.

Paid Herbert Alexander services as road commissioner		\$69 50
labor of three horses.....		74 17
Labor man with oxen.....		23 62
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		\$167 29
Harlow Bigelow, labor		2 00
Herbert Bickford “		2 50
Asa Stevens “		11 48
T. Larkin “		6 00
Wm. Willey “		2 50
George Horn “		12 75
Marshall Ames “		9 00
E. A. Wallace “		15 00
Webster Bickford “		24 75
George Horn “		18 75
E. H. Mosher, express and telegraphing .		1 00
E. A. Wallace, labor.....		16 62
J. T. Wyman “		4 20
Elnore Farnham “		11 25
George Horn “		16 87
Harry L. Alexander “		25 00
Webster Bickford “		20 75
Millard Stevens “		4 15
E. A. Wallace “		24 75
M. E. Ames “		13 74
C. H. Yeaton “		1 25

George Ellis	“ and lumber.....	84 81
Chas. Kaherl	“	5 00
L. B. Dolloff	“	46 25
Olon Richardson	“	6 66
John Tibbetts	“	11 38
Clarence Cook	“	19 62
Wm. Knowles	“ with team.....	226 00
Harry L. Alexander	“ “ “	137 31
A. Merrow	“	14 61
Frank W. Merrow	“	7 50
N. D. Farnham	“	18 50
John M. Cummings	“	10 20
E. A. Wallace	“	23 00
Alanson Bickford	“	5 25
John Stanley	“	7 99
Aden Brooks	“	1 25
H. H. Tibbetts	“	2 20
E. L. Yeaton,	“	49 10
George W. Tibbetts, repairs for road machine.....		8 00
Chas. T. Pinkham, labor.....		5 82
Alvah Watson, sharpening tools		2 62
Nason Bickford, labor.....		2 15
Marcellus Farnham, labor.....		3 10
C. D. Bachelder, “		1 65
Marshall Bros., road scraper and barbed wire		24 14
S. Austin, labor.....		3 25
Eugene Wallace, “		5 63
T. Larkin, “		12 43
Webster Bickford, “		28 12
Charles Bickford, “		2 50
Herbert Bickford, “		3 00
Edwin Willey, repairs on road machine..		85
A. C. Dudley, labor.....		8 75
C. H. Clark, “		7 00
F. G. Yeaton, “		49 03
Albert Furbush, “		4 00
L. D. Elwell, “		75
W. E. Lord, “		7 00
F. J. Dunn, “		7 50

Aden Brooks, “	2 00	
H. W. Golder, watering tub.....	3 00	
Joseph Merrow, labor.....	6 25	
C. M. Weston, watering tub.....	3 00	
Avery Merrow, labor.....	10 62	
F. E. Bunker, repairs on R. M. and sharpening tools.....	15 13	
James Wyman, labor.....	4 00	
Jalop Wentworth, labor.....	5 38	
E. E. Dunn, “	18 68	
G. G. Bartlett, “	4 75	
James Tebbetts, “	4 00	
Elbridge Trask, “	1 88	
Elias Farnham, “	21 00	
Frank J. Lord, “	3 78	
J. H. Thyng, “	4 25	
Charles Hutchins, watering tub.....	3 00	
F. E. Bunker, “ “	3 00	
Charles Stevens, labor.....	46 50	
George Yeaton & Sons.....	33 15	
Samuel Whitehouse	25 12	
E. H. Mosher, express.....	2 30	
Paid Herbert Alexander, services as road com- missioner	75 44	
labor of three horses.....	118 46	
		\$193 90
Amount expended.....		\$1,640 21
Amount appropriated.....		1,700 00
Unexpended balance.....		59 69
HERBERT ALEXANDER, <i>Road Commissioner.</i>		

LABOR ON BRIDGES.

Eugene Wallace, labor.....		\$18 00
C. A. Prescott, "		25 88
F. G. Yeaton, "		50 00
C. A. Prescott, "		5 00
William H. Wellman, labor and use of tools..		30 25
F. J. Dunn, "		7 50
Henry Farnham, "		3 00
C. A. Prescott, "		10 00
E. H. Mosher, "		6 61
Eugene Wallace, "		42 75
C. A. Prescott, "		27 87
C. H. Austin, "		65 00
W. J. Damren, lumber.....		13 20
E. L. Yeaton, labor.....		61 00
E. E. Mosher, "		3 75
F. G. Yeaton, "		44 50
J. C. Skates, lumber.....		350 73
E. E. Dunn, labor.....		18 50
Stephen Blaisdell, derrick.....		25 00
Elias Farnham, labor.....		3 75
Leon E. Wyman, lights and oil.....		1 90
Eugene Wallace, labor.....		6 00
Alton Farnham, "		4 75
Herbert Alexander, services as road commis- sioner	130 00	
Herbert Alexander, labor of team.....	\$143 62	\$273 62
		<hr/> \$1,098 56
Rec'd of Wm. Damren for moving stone.....	5 00	
" " Morrison Chandler " "	2 00	7 00
		<hr/> \$1,091 56
Cash paid for mending chains, lumber. tele- phoning		3 80
		<hr/> \$1,095 36
Amount appropriated.....		1,000 00
		<hr/> 95 36
Amount overdrawn.....		95 36
Amount of lumber on hand by filling up stream at Belgrade Lakes.....		65 00
		<hr/> \$36 36
Total overdrawn.....		\$36 36

HERBERT ALEXANDER, *Road Commissioner.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Belgrade in account with E. H. Mosher, Treasurer for
the year ending Feb. 13, 1903.

Dr.

To paid treasury notes.....	\$1,800 00
interest.....	159 07
school orders.....	3,886 70
town orders.....	1,286 70
road orders.....	3,641 54
State Treasurer, dog tax for 1902.....	111 00
" " State tax for 1902.....	1,123 60
County Treasurer, county tax for 1902.....	389 32
State pensions.....	72 00
Treasurer's commission.....	40 00
Cash in treasury, Feb. 13, 1903.....	137 76
Total.....	\$12,647 69

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Cash in treasury, March, 1902.....	\$194 75
Recd. of Paul Hammond, collector for 1901.....	4,518 91
" " " 1902.....	3,923 70
" State Treas., school fund and mill tax for 1902	756 68
" " R. R. and telegraph tax for 1902	4 50
" " on account of State pensions....	72 00
" " dog tax refunded.....	91 75
" " sheep killed by dogs.....	70 12
for sale of burial lots.....	20 00
of E. H. Mosher Town Clerk, dog tax for 1902..	111 00
cash and gave treasury notes.....	2,500 00
interest on taxes.....	105 81
from Morrison Chandler, license to run pool table	10 00
from Rome, amount due on schools..	28 30
on old tax deeds.....	17 12
from Palermo, on account of Turner children...	89 25
from Jas. Tebbetts, guardian of Elizabeth Trask	42 00
from school com. for sale of sheathing in Bartlett	
district.....	1 80
from Augusta, on account of Sanford fund.....	90 00
Total.....	\$12,647 69

E. H. MOSHER, *Treasurer.*

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the bills and accounts of the municipal officers of the town of Belgrade for the year ending Feb. 13, 1903, and find them to be correct.

E. O. TIBBETTS, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As all bids for the building of the school houses authorized by vote of the last annual meeting were in excess of the appropriations we did not feel justified in accepting any of them but decided to purchase the material and hire the work done which enabled us to accomplish the same work at a cost of about of one hundred and twenty-five dollars less than the lowest bids. The total expenditures are as follows :

Paid on foundations	\$30 00
for labor and material.....	1,187 74
“ seats.....	144 40
freight.....	12 83
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	\$1,374 97

Other expenses for which no appropriation was made :

Paid for lot.....	\$60 00
taking down Brick School house...	15 00
cleaning brick, clearing lot, etc ...	12 25
fencing.....	18 19
stove and pipe.....	15 00
freight	63
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	\$124 07
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	\$1,499 04

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Received for lumber.....	\$1 80
Due for brick and lumber.....	5 00
“ “ “	2 63

J. M. CUMMINGS,
E. O. TIBBETTS,
H. L. ALEXANDER.

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the School Board and people of Belgrade :

Herewith is submitted my report, showing the condition and work of the schools in the town during the past year.

The total amount of money available for school purposes was as follows :

Balance from last year.....	\$69 45	
Appropriation.....	1,300 00	
Allowance from State.....	756 68	
Due from Rome.....	16 00	
Part of Sanford fund.....	65 00	
		\$2,207 13

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' wages and board :

Washington school.....	\$187 00	
Lakeside ".....	168 00	
Messalonskee ".....	168 00	
Franklin, ".....	201 00	
McKinley, ".....	177 50	
Lincoln, ".....	186 00	
Longfellow, ".....	183 00	
New Century, ".....	163 20	
Whittier, ".....	168 00	
		\$1,601 70

TRANSPORTATION.

From Penney section.....	\$72 45	
" back road.....	68 75	
" Bickford Hill.....	50 00	
" The Point.....	67 50	
" Chandler.....	69 60	
" Farnham & Foster.....	22 00	
" Spaulding children.....	9 00	
" Dunn section.....	67 50	
		\$426 80

FUEL.

Washington school.....	\$6 50	
Lakeside "	10 00	
Messalonskee "	8 00	
Franklin "	14 37	
McKinley "	8 00	
Lincoln "	11 50	
Longfellow "	9 00	
New Century "	8 50	
Whittier "	6 00	
		\$81 87
Paid for kindling wood and janitor's fees.....		33 75
Unexpended		63 01

TEXT-BOOK ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....		\$150 00
Part of Sanford fund.....		25 00
Old books exchanged.....		44 57
		\$219 57

EXPENDITURES.

H. R. Pettengill	\$1 00	
E. E. Babb & Co.....	2 50	
D. C. Heath & Co.....	3 75	
Thompson & Brown.....	9 66	
Silver, Burdett & Co.....	47 20	
B. H. Sanborn.....	6 50	
American Book Co.....	22 72	
Werner Book Co.....	12 00	
Ginn & Co.....	101 80	
J. H. Thing (Ex.).....	9 05	
H. W. Webber.....	1 00	
		\$217 18
Unexpended.....		\$2 39
From last year's report overdrawn.....		29 12
Balance overdrawn.....		\$26 73

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

Appropriation		\$300 00
Received for old windows.....		5 00
		\$305 00

FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

New windows and doors.....	\$27 80	
Harrison Clark.....	2 50	
C. B. Bunker.....	12 80	
Mrs. C. B. Bunker.....	2 50	
Ed. Mosher.....	35 59	
S. S. Brooks & Co.....	4 00	
Al. Damren.....	16 00	
John Weaver.....	5 15	
		\$106 34

NEW CENTURY SCHOOL.

Everett Cummings.....		\$15 88
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WHITTIER SCHOOL.

Mrs. Charles Yeaton.....	\$1 50	
E. O. Tebbetts.....	65	
		\$2 15

MCKINLEY SCHOOL.

Mrs. S. Bickford.....	\$1 50	
William Wadleigh.....	10 15	
John Weaver.....	9 12	
		20 77

LONGFELLOW SCHOOL.

New desks.....	\$61 20	
Freight on desks.....	6 07	
Fred Scribner.....	5 75	
		73 02

LINCOLN SCHOOL.

Mrs. S. Bickford.....	\$1 50	
Isaac Wadleigh.....	2 80	
		\$4 30

B. D. Hallett, moving old desks to Haskell Hall.....	\$1 50	
C. D. Haskell, rent of hall.....	10 00	
Ed. Mosher, school supplies.....	28 04	
		\$39 54

WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

aid Seth Bickford.....	\$1 00	
Bert Alexander.....	8 40	
Clarence Cook.....	6 88	
A. K. Spaulding.....	9 60	
W. Gleason.....	11 37	

Harry Alexander.....	6 00	
W. Wellman.....	4 00	
George Ellis.....	7 07	
A. Merrow.....	8 00	
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		\$62 32
Over-expended.....		\$19 32
From last year's report, overdrawn.....		\$20 84
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Total.....		\$40 16

REPAIRS ON MESSALONSKEE HOUSE.

Appropriation		\$150 00
Paid Charles Stratton.....	\$5 50	
New doors.....	5 70	
Freight on floor boards.....	2 16	
W. Wellman.....	2 00	
New desks.....	45 90	
Ed. Mosher.....	67 03	
Freight on desks.....	4 53	
Childs.....	14 85	
H. H. Adams.....	32 00	
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		\$179 67
Overdrawn.....		\$29 67

In both quantity and quality of the work done for the year there is reason for encouragement. The instruction given by the teachers has been of a high character and they have labored with great fidelity to secure thoroughness in their work. And wherever the teacher has had the co-operation of the parents good results have been obtained. The children of the town have shown great willingness in adapting themselves to modern methods.

As recommended by our State Superintendent we have organized a School Improvement League in each school, and the League has chosen a name for the school as you will see by the report, and through this medium a great interest has been created on the line of improvement of the school rooms and grounds.

The Longfellow League has purchased a new flag and papered the school room. The Messalonskee League has purchased a flag and has fourteen dollars in the treasury. The McKinley League has papered the school room. The New Century League has purchased a new clock and a number of books. The Washington League has bought a fine dictionary. The Franklin League has made a great change in the appearance of its school room.

We have a few school houses where the League could not make any great changes. It looks as though a town should not be negligent in furnishing suitable buildings for their schools. We have purchased a few supplementary readers as it is found that pupils advance much more rapidly in learning to read by constantly taking new lessons than by repeating the old. We have endeavored to expend the money to the best advantage.

Believing that the more modern books were the most desirable we have started out on that line, with Hall's Arithmetic, Frye's Geography and Stepping Stones to Literature for readers. We believe our schools should be graded, then the tendency that a pupil shall study only the books they have a fondness for will be removed. Less classes, more time for each class, less surface work, more plowing into the subsoil, less mechanical memorizing, more use of the reasoning faculties.

In the mechanical appliances of the schools there is one thing sadly needed, and that is wall maps. The matter is recommended to the attention of my successor. Something should be done to increase the attendance in the schools. Parents do not seem to understand the extent to which the continued or oft-recurring absence of a few may retard the progress of a class. The evil results are perfectly apparent to the teacher if to no others. We

have endeavored to give the schools earnest attention. The results are not all that could be wished, yet such as it is it must show for itself.

In closing we wish to call your attention to the condition of the Franklin schoolhouse. It should have a new floor and new desks. The Whittier schoolhouse needs a new floor. The Washington schoolhouse is unfit for a school in its present condition.

A few of the schoolhouses should be painted.

For the support of schools	\$1,300 00
For books	150 00

Thanking the people for their support, I remain

Respectfully yours,

J. C. HEWITT, *Supt.*

ROLL OF HONOR.

Three Terms. Goldie Page, Frank Adams, Celia Taylor, Herbert Thing, Ralph Knowles, Fred Tebbetts, Ethel Tebbetts, Earl Branch.

Two Terms. Harry Bickford, Lottie Scribner, Frankie Chandler, Hazel Kelley, Mabel Page, Effie Cummings, Stuart Cummings, Ruth Damren, Marie Pray, Fred Wadleigh, Guy Wadleigh, Edna Bickford, Aimee Thing, Florrie Stuart, Eva Stuart, Bertha Bartlett, Edwin Taylor, Gracie Yeaton, Donna Yeaton, Jennie Tillson, Hazel Scates, George Wadleigh, Earl Wyman, Edwin Wadleigh, Leon Wyman, Lula Elwell, Elnora Bickford.

One Term. Leroy Cook, Marcellus Cobb, Hazel Rollins, Mertie Bickford, Goldie Lord, Edith Anderson, Gertrude Priest, Annie Bigelow, Ethel Cobb, Mertie Chandler, Lela Kelley, Edna Frost, Ethel Foster, Helen Adams, Mellen Adams, Harold Page, Enoch Adams, Inez Richardson, Mattie Patten, Mildred Damren, Vernon Kelley, Leon Farnham, Angie Bartlett, Gladys Dudley, Alton Wadleigh, Georgie Lovejoy, Marion Tebbetts, Carrie Yeaton, Zella Bachelder, Charlie Bickford, Winona Bickford, Daisy Knowles, Frankie Lovejoy, Edwin Taylor, May Tebbetts, Laura Yeaton, Maud Yeaton, Jessie Penney, John Wadleigh, Percy Yeaton, Ernest Yeaton, Ethel Cummings, Leo. G. Rogers, Mahlon Ellis.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Number of pupils in town, April 1, 1902, 275 ; 1901, 268.
Number of differen pupils registered, 1902, 217 ; 1901, 210.
Whole number of pupils registered, 1902, 524 ; 1901, 522.
Total average attendance for year 1902, 447.6 ; 1901, 452.88.
Per cent of average attendance, 1902, 85.4 ; 1901, 86.7.
Number of pupils not absent for afternoon, 1902, 129 ; 1901, 123.
Number of instances of tardiness, 1902, 359 ; 1901, 313.
Total number weeks school, 1902, 252 ; 1901, 224.
Number terms taught by graduates, 1902, 21 ; 1901, 11.
Number terms taught by those having other than town advantages, 1902, 27 ; 1901, 24.
Number terms of school, 1902, 27 ; 1901, 24.
Cost of teachers' wages per week, including board, 1902, \$6.34 ; 1901, \$6.38.

J. C. HEWITT, *Superintendent of Schools.*

TABULAR STATEMENT.

Name of School.	Name of Teacher.	Term.	Length of Term.	Average Attendance.	No. of Pupils not Absent for a Term.	Wages of Teachers Including Board.	No. Visits by Citizens.	No. Daily Recitations.
			Whole Attendance.					
Franklin....	Sadie Proctor.....	Spring	9 28 24		5	6.50	6	30
	Sadie Judkins.....	Fall	9 27 24.6		11	7.50	12	25
Longfellow	Mertie Weston.....	Winter	10 22 19		9	7.50	4	24
	Mabel C. Pike.....	Spring	8 20 18		6	6.50	12	25
	Winnie Albee.....	Fall	9 21 18.5		0	6.00	0	21
Lincoln.....	Mabel C. Pike.....	Winter	11 21 18		5	7.00	2	29
	Lillie Penney.....	Spring	7 19 16		7	6.00	4	30
	Geneva Dudley.....	Fall	9 19 17		5	6.00	4	28
Messalonskee.	Edith Lufkin.....	Winter	12					
	Mertie Whitehouse....	Spring	9 16 12		4	6.00	5	28
	Annie Webber.....	Fall	9 17 15		2	6.00	8	28
McKinley...	Winnie Albee.....	Winter	10 13 12		5	6.00	4	19
	May Parcher.....	Spring	9 22 18.4		8.8	6.00	7	23
	May Parcher.....	Fall	9 22 19.9		7	6.50	12	20
Lakeside....	May Parcher.....	Winter	10 20 16		6	6.50	5	20
	Nancy Moulton.....	Spring	8 14 13.5		1	5.00	6	24
	Sadie Proctor.....	Fall	9 13 11		2	6.00	12	30
New Century	Sadie Proctor.....	Winter	11					
	Doll Leighton.....	Spring	9 19 16		1	6.00	3	27
	Lillie Penney.....	Fall	9 15 14		6	6.00	9	29
Washington	Lillie Penney.....	Winter	9 15 13.5		8	6.00	5	29
	Bertha Snell.....	Spring	9 28 23.4		2	6.50	7	21
	Bertha Snell.....	Fall	9 27 21.9		10	6.50	5	24
Whittier....	Bertha Snell.....	Winter	10 23 15		1	7.00	0	24
	Alma Faught.....	Spring	9 15 12.8		4	6.00	3	26
	Alma Faught.....	Fall	9 14 12.4		1	6.00	1	27
	Alma Faught.....	Winter	10 14 11.2		1	6.00	4	27

WARRANT.

To A. R. DAMREN, Constable of the town of Belgrade.

GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Belgrade, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Grange Hall, in said town, on Monday, the second day of March, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

FIRST.—To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

SECOND.—To choose the necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

THIRD.—To see if the town will vote to elect a superintendent of schools or leave it to school committee to choose.

FOURTH.—To see if the town will vote to have a road commissioner.

FIFTH.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise to defray town charges for the year ensuing.

SIXTH.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for the support of schools the coming year.

SEVENTH.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for snow bills for the winter of 1902 and 1903.

EIGHTH.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for the repair of roads and bridges the present year.

NINTH. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for the repair of schoolhouses the coming year.

TENTH.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for the purchase of school books the ensuing year.

ELEVENTH.—To see if the town will vote to grant and raise the sum of two hundred dollars for a State road.

TWELFTH.—To see if town will vote to build a new schoolhouse in the Foster district and raise money for the same.

THIRTEENTH.—To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for the support of a free high school.

FOURTEENTH.—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to hire money for the use of the town, if necessary, for the ensuing year.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at Grange Hall, in said town, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Belgrade, this sixteenth day of February, A. D., 1903.

JAMES TEBBETTS,
E. F. YEATON,
FRANK L. PRAY,
Selectmen of Belgrade.