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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

AND

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF FARMINGTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 17, 1890.

FARMINGTON, MAINE:
PRESS OF KNOWLTON, McLEARY & CO.
1890.

TOWN WARRANT.

To Wm. H. Pearson, a Constable of the Town of Farmington, in the County of Franklin,

GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the said Town of Farmington, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Music Hall, in said town, on the third day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

- ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- ART. 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
- ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to elect a Supervisor of Schools.
- ART. 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Support of Schools the ensuing year.
- ART. 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Support of the Poor the ensuing year.
- ART. 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to defray Town Charges the ensuing year.
- ART. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay Outstanding Indebtedness.
- ART. 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay Interest on Outstanding Indebtedness.
- ART. 9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Repair of Roads and small Bridges, and how the same shall be expended.
- ART. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Repair of Large Bridges.
- ART. 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Dollars for the observance of Memorial Day.

- ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise Three Hundred Dollars for abatement of taxes for the ensuing year.
- ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise Three Hundred Dollars for collection of taxes the ensuing year.
- ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise Five Hundred Dollars for a Free High School.
- ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to tax dogs the ensuing year.
- ART. 16. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for building sidewalks, and how the same shall be expended.
- ART. 17. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise to purchase School Books.
- ART. 18. To see how the Taxes shall be collected and when made payable.
- ART. 19. To see how the Inventory shall be taken the ensuing year.
- ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize and direct the School Committee or Supervisor to make such changes in the School Books now used in the town as they may deem expedient.
- ART. 21. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Revising Board.

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 Selectmen's Office, at 2 o'clock P. M., Saturday, March 1, A. D., 1890, and at 9 o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 14th day of February, A. D. 1890.

HIRAM TITCOMB, } *Selectmen*
E. J. DYAR, } *of*
F. C. PERKINS, } *Farmington.*

SELECTMEN'S ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Citizens of the Town of Farmington :

Your Selectmen would respectfully submit the following report in relation to the financial condition of the Town, together with the amount of receipts and expenditures from February 18th, 1889, to February 17th, 1890.

ASSESSMENTS.

After taking inventory of the real and personal estates, we found the valuation of the town to be as follows, viz : Real Estate, \$1,108,620 ; Personal Property, \$381,470 ; Total valuation of Real and Personal Property, \$1,490,090 ; the number of Polls, 861, and the number of Dogs, 134.

Upon the Polls and Estates we have assessed the following named sums, to wit :

For State Tax,	\$4,412 29
County Tax,	3,202 54
Support of Schools,	3,000 00
Support of the Poor,	2,500 00
Town Charges,	2,500 00
Interest on Outstanding Indebtedness,	500 00
Collecting Taxes for ensuing year,	300 00
Abatements,	300 00
Observance of Memorial Day,	50 00
Paying Outstanding Indebtedness,	1,000 00
Repairing Roads and Small Bridges,	5,000 00
Repairing Large Bridges,	750 00

The Support of Free High School,	\$ 500 00	
W. I. Butterfield for horse,	100 00	
Fire Apparatus for Farmington Falls,	500 00	
Municipal Court Room,	50 00	
Overlays,	1,031 35	
Dogs,	134 00	\$25,830 18
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

On the 1st day of June, A. D., 1889, we committed lists of said assessments unto Wm. H. Pearson, Collector of said town.

We subsequently committed a supplementary assessment to said Collector, amounting to the sum of \$369.65, making the total committed to the Collector, \$26,199.83.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1.

Union with District No. 9, Chesterville.

Valuation of Real Estate,	\$69,410 00
Personal Property,	21,250 00
Number of Polls, Sixty-nine.	

On the polls and estates we have assessed the following sums, to wit:

For paying Interest-bearing Debt, \$ 133 52

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4.

Valuation of Real Estate,	\$512,585 00
Personal Property,	229,670 00
Number of Polls, Three Hundred and Twenty-three.	

On the polls and estates we have assessed the following sums, to wit:

For paying Outstanding Debts, and repairs, \$ 442 09

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22.

Valuation of Real Estate,	\$ 35,175 00
Personal Estate,	6,985 00

Number of Polls, Twenty-seven.

On the polls and estates we have assessed the following sums, to wit :

For Building School-house,	\$ 600 00
Overlays,	29 33
Total,	<u>\$ 629 33</u>

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Amount of money raised by town,	\$3,000 00
School Fund and Mill Tax,	1,675 79
Interest on Town School Fund,	89 36
	<u>\$4,765 15</u>

We apportioned the above amount of money to the several districts as follows, to wit: \$5.14 per scholar in the union districts, and \$4.65 per scholar in the other districts. Dividing the balance of \$415.89 among the smaller districts.

DISTRICT.		Number of Scholars.	Balance Feb. 18, 1889.	Amount Apportioned Apr. 1, 1889.	Amount of Orders drawn since Feb. 18, 1889.	Balance Feb. 17, 1890.
No.						
1	Falls (Union),	41	{ O'r d'n \$ 17 57	\$210 74	\$189 80	\$ 3 37
2	Gower,	10		96 50	92 71	3 79
3	Norton Flat,	82	170 40	381 30	386 61	165 09
4	Village,	346	444 02	1608 90	1952 50	100 42
5	Fairbanks,	54	162 49	263 74	393 63	32 60
7	Sprague,	30	35 77	139 50	164 48	10 79
8	Currier,	9	1 93	86 85	7 75	81 03
9	West Farmington,	100	292 86	465 00	639 28	118 58
10	Sewall,	24	2 25	126 60	36 00	92 85
11	Greenwood,	18	{ O'r d'n 5 60	103 70	87 15	10 95
12	Knowlton's Corner,	14	{ O'r d'n 79	100 10	32 20	67 11
14	Briggs,	21	53 61	122 65	82 50	93 76
15	Russells,	25	11 08	142 25	135 60	17 73
16	Porter's Hill,	6	3 63	69 90	73 53	
17	Bailey Hill,	12	33	87 80	46 23	41 90

18	Titcomb,	15	\$ 93	\$ 95 74	\$ 90 85	\$ 5 82
19	Mosher Hill,	21	1 83	117 65	101 77	17 71
20	Holley,	14	6 09	91 10	83 60	13 59
21	J. B. Holley,	12	4 97	82 80	76 80	10 97
22	Walton's Mills,	30	21 46	139 50	32 77	128 19
23	North Chesterville (Union),	15	4 54	77 10	44 00	37 64
25	Furbush (Union),	9	30 74	46 26	68 54	8 46
26	D. H. Smith	2	10 00	10 28	20 28	
28	Allen's Mills (Union),	8	34 39	41 12	74 00	1 51
30	Hillman,	5	18 26	48 25		66 51
31	McIntosh (Union),	4		22 46	22 46	
		927	\$1287 62	\$4777 79	\$4935 04	\$1130 32

Balance due school districts, Feb. 17, 1889, \$1,287 62

Amount of school money apportioned, April 1, 1890, 4,777 79

Total, \$6,065 41

Orders drawn since Feb. 18, 1889, \$4,935 00

Balance due school districts, Feb. 17, 1890, 1,130 37

\$6,065 41

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

To Orders drawn since Feb. 18, 1889, \$776 00

Appropriation by Town, \$500 00

“ “ State, 250 00

\$750 00

ROADS AND SMALL BRIDGES.

Paid Surveyors' Orders for work done before May 1, 1889, \$ 2,496 09

“ “ “ since “ 2,445 69

Labor done on highway and not charged to Districts, 130 38

\$5,072 06

Appropriation, \$5,000 00

LARGE BRIDGES.

As far as bills have been presented, \$ 118 00

Appropriation, \$ 750 00

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Support of Insane,	\$ 338 18
Maine Industrial School,	7 50
Supplies furnished Poor and due from Temple,	4 31
“ “ “ “ “ Chesterville,	8 50
“ “ “ “ “ Wilton,	21 39
“ “ “ “ “ Anson,	102 69
“ “ “ “ “ Weld,	187 13
“ “ “ charged to town,	54 65
Maine Insane Hospital, “ Dixfield,	50 66
Keeping Tramps,	6 00
R. Hanly Smith, balance on contract to April 1, 1889,	555 87
R. Hanly Smith, part payment on contract to April 1, 1890,	1,190 36

Your Overseers contracted with R. Hanly Smith for support of all paupers of said town, except those insane, and James Lowell, who now need assistance, and all persons who may hereafter become chargeable, subject to certain conditions, for three years from April 1, 1889, for the sum of \$1,925 per annum.

Amount paid for poor, \$2,527.24, less \$374.68 due from other towns,	\$2,152 56
Appropriation,	\$2,500 00

TOWN CHARGES.

J. H. Plummer and J. C. Church, for curbstone,	\$367 14
Watering tubs,	53 25
Dolbier & Waugh, for use of hall,	50 00
A. E. Dolbier, for land taken for road,	50 00
Henry Brawn, for damage crossing land,	10 00
F. C. Perkins, services as Selectman, year ending March 4, 1889,	150 00
Hiram Titcomb, “ “ “ “ “	127 00
S. G. Craig, “ “ “ “ “	110 00
P. P. Tufts, “ Treasurer “ “ “	100 00
John W. Nichols, services as Supervisor of Schools, for year ending March 4, 1889,	160 25
I. W. Merrill, services as Town Clerk, year ending Mar. 4, 1889,	15 00
Z. H. Greenwood, rent of Selectmen's office, year ending March 31, 1889,	53 33

Mrs. C. E. Belcher, rent of Selectmen's office, year ending March 31, 1890,	\$ 40 00
Arthur F. Belcher, legal services for town to May 4, 1888,	22 15
H. P. White & Co., stationery, books, etc.,	36 38
J. P. Holley, moving safe,	5 00
F. O. Lyford, service as Member of Board of Health,	38 60
Knowlton, McLeary & Co., for printing,	52 00
Winslow & Co., sewer pipe,	50 04
M. C. R. R. Co., freight on sewer pipe,	10 64
S. Knowlton & Sons, keeping town horses in 1888,	35 00
D. H. Knowlton, covering drain in front of his house,	10 80
Augustus Hiscock, damage by water from road,	5 00
C. H. Barden, lighting Falls bridge,	9 00
J. C. Holman, services in case of Welch boys,	17 03
J. P. Holley, building new Perham road, (part pay),	575 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, Town Order Book,	7 50
G. W. Titcomb, sundries as per bill,	7 80
A. H. Abbott, stone to cover drain,	6 00
W. L. Hackett and wife, cleaning Selectmen's office,	3 00
A. J. Gerry, sewer pipe,	22 07
Luke Woodward, flagstone for sidewalk at Falls,	5 50
Tax paid on estate of S. S. Belcher, for 1888,	312 00
E. N. Stevens' Sons, road scraper,	13 66
P. P. Tufts, sundries,	10 44
Chas. L. Hanscomb, damage crossing land,	3 00
A. J. Wheeler, building road near Selden Knowlton's,	55 50
Repairs on road machine,	9 40
Frank L. Butler, sewer pipe,	3 20
Wm. Morrison and J. B. Morrison, services as Trustees of School Fund,	2 00
Henry Brawn, damage on highway,	175 00
Daniel Hoyt, plank furnished in 1888,	7 20
Alonzo Sylvester, services as Truant Officer,	11 50
Lawrence Garcelon, labor laying sewer pipe,	5 30
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	\$2,812 68
Appropriation,	\$2,500 00

ABATEMENTS.

For year 1886,	\$ 48 59
1887,-	92 00
1888,	683 77
1889,	42 45
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	\$ 866 81
Appropriation,	\$300 00

COLLECTION OF TAXES:

To Wm. H. Pearson in full for services as Collector for 1888,	\$395 00
Appropriation,	\$300 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

To paid I. B. Russell, for G. A. R. Post,	\$ 50 00
Appropriation,	\$ 50 00

OUTSTANDING TOWN BONDS.

Now due at 4 per cent.,	\$ 1,550 00
Due April, 1, 1892, at 3 per cent.,	9,500 00
Oct. 1, 1894, " "	2,000 00
Apr. 1, 1897, " "	500 00

TOWN ORDERS BEARING INTEREST.

Due Nov. 26, 1890, at 4 per cent.,	\$500 00
19, 1891, " "	200 00

TAX DEEDS.

To Wm. H. Pearson, for 1888,	\$ 71 57
P. P. Tuft, Non-Resident Tax Deeds,	62 89

INTEREST.

Interest paid on Town Orders for year ending Feb. 17, 1890,	\$ 46 00
“ “ temporary loan,	55 25
	<u>101 25</u>
Interest received on deposit,	30 20
Balance	<u>71 05</u>
Interest paid on Town Bonds for year ending Feb. 17, 1890,	416 50
Total,	<u>\$ 487 55</u>
Appropriation,	\$500 00

TAXES FOR 1889.

State Tax,	\$ 4,412 29	Paid on State Tax,	\$4,412 29
County Tax,	3,202 54	County Tax,	1,800 00
Town Tax,	18,588 00	Town Tax,	5,825 00

LIABILITIES.

Balance due School Districts,	\$ 1,130 37
Apportioned Highway Districts and not paid,	1,197 09
Balance on contract for support of poor, due Apr. 1, 1889,	734 64
Interest due on bonds and orders, April 1, 1889,	263 50
Town Officers' bills, for current year (estimated),	500 00
Supervisor's bill for current year (estimated),	150 00
Wm. H. Pearson, Collector, bill for current year,	375 00
Other bills (estimated),	100 00
Town orders not on interest,	201 97
School “ “ “	109 60
Town orders bearing interest,	700 00
Funded debt (town bonds), on interest,	<u>14,050 00</u>
	\$19,512 17

RESOURCES.

Tax due from Daniel Hoyt, for 1886,	\$ 4 10
“ “ Wm. H. Pearson, for 1889,	12,763 00
Due on tax deeds,	1,113 66
Due from other towns,	374 68
Real estate valued,	200 00
Cash in hand of Treasurer (Feb. 17, 1890),	91 24
	<hr/> \$14,546 68

ESTIMATES FOR ENSUING YEAR.

For Support of Schools,	\$ 3,000 00
Support of Poor,	2,500 00
Defraying Town Charges,	2,500 00
Collecting Taxes for ensuing year,	300 00
Abatements,	300 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
Interest on Bonds and Orders,	500 00
Repairing roads and small bridges,	6,000 00
Large bridges,	1,000 00
Free High School,	500 00
Paying Outstanding Indebtedness,	2,000 00
School Books,	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$19,650 00

HIRAM TITCOMB, } *Selectmen*
 E. J. DYAR, } *of*
 F. C. PERKINS, } *Farmington.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Farmington in Account with P. P. Tufts, Treasurer, for year commencing Feb. 18, 1889, and ending Feb. 17, 1890.

DR.

To paid Town Orders,	\$15,693 21
School Orders,	5,012 95
State Pensions,	528 00
4 per cent. Town Bonds,	2,250 00
Coupons,	416 50
Interest on temporary loan,	55 25
For killing crows,	11 10
Cash on hand,	91 24
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	\$24,058 25
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CR.

By Cash in Treasury Feb. 18, 1889,	\$ 2,305 93
Of W. H. Pearson, Collector for 1888, in full,	8,277 14
" " " " " 1889, in part,	5,825 00
" Daniel Hoyt, " " 1886, in part,	35 00
" State for Pensions paid,	528 00
" " Railroad and Telegraph Tax, 1889,	44 51
" " Mill Tax and School Fund for 1888,	1,666 88
" " " " " " 1889,	1,675 79
" " For crows killed in 1889,	11 10

By Cash of State for State pauper,	\$ 55 28
" " For Free High School,	375 00
Being temporary loan, 4 per cent., paid,	2,000 00
" " " 3 " "	175 00
For sewer pipe sold,	4 00
" Town building sold,	25 00
On Tax Deeds,	245 31
For Town Bond sold, 3 per cent.,	500 00
Of Towns for Support of Poor,	213 24
For Support of Insane at Hospital,	56 87
Interest on money deposited,	30 20
For License,	9 00
	<u>\$24,058 25</u>

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, UNION WITH NO. 9, CHESTERVILLE.

Dr.

Overpaid by Treasurer last report,	\$ 28 81
To paid Orders drawn by Selectmen,	45 69
Notes of District and interest in full,	127 60
	<u>\$202 10</u>

Cr.

By rec'd of Collector balance commitment of 1888,	\$ 75 07
Overpaid by Treasurer,	\$127 03
Due from Collector for 1889 tax,	\$133 52

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4.

Dr.

Overpaid by Treasurer last report,	\$ 73 80
To paid Notes of District and interest,	887 16
Orders drawn by Selectmen,	4 15
	<u>\$965 11</u>

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Cr

By rec'd of Collector, 1888-9,		\$884 24
Overpaid by Treasurer,		\$ 80 87
Balance now due from Collector on 1889 tax,	\$292 00	

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22.

Dr.

To paid Committee Order No. 1,		\$ 75 00
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Cr.

By rec'd of Collector,		\$ 75 00
Now due from the Collector,	\$554 33	

Trust Fund to keep Burial Lots and Monuments in repair, in account with P. P. Tufts, Treasurer.

May 3, 1887, by cash of Matthew Brooks,	\$200 00
Interest on the above,	20 07
Jan. 12, 1889, cash of Alice M. Page estate,	50 00
Interest on the above,	1 50

Deposited in Franklin County Savings Bank, No. 6116.

No expense to date.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. P. TUFTS, *Treasurer.*

Feb. 18, 1890.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

The Supervisor of Schools of Farmington, having attended to his duties, respectfully submits the following report.

The school work of the year has been similar to that of former years.

Finding the school matters of our town in so prosperous a condition from the work of my predecessors, I thought it advisable to make no change in text-books, or in the course of study in our common schools.

Our school officers have been very fortunate in securing so good a class of teachers, and with scarcely an exception our schools throughout the town have been first-class.

The wisdom and generosity of the town is seen in raising \$500 for the support of a Free High School. It is hoped that they will do the same for the ensuing year.

The prosperity and growth of our High School is largely due to the efficiency and work of its teachers.

Mr. E. W. Whitcomb, its former Principal, ranked high as an instructor. The present one, Mr. G. L. Rogers, is a young man of fine ability, well fitted for the position, doing grandly, and destined to make his mark in life.

It is hoped that the citizens of Farmington will not slacken

their efforts in this noble work of uplifting the race, till all her children shall have a wider and broader education, till every home shall become a school-house of the world. That all her sons and daughters shall be, not a retarder, but a helper on the path of life they tread, so that the future may say, "This one and that one was born there."

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Whole number of scholars in town, 928.

NO. 1—FARMINGTON FALLS DISTRICT. Agent, C. E. Thomas. No. of scholars, 41. Spring term of school taught by Mrs. Alice E. Dobbins. Fall term taught by Miss M. A. Crowell. Winter term taught by Mr. S. E. Wheeler. Mrs. Dobbins and Miss Crowell both did good work in their schools. Mr. Wheeler is an excellent teacher. The school made good improvement during the year.

NO. 2—GOWER DISTRICT. Agent, C. H. Pierce. No. of scholars, 10. Summer and Winter term taught by Miss Grace A. Parker. Miss Parker taught a very profitable school both terms.

NO. 3—NORTON DISTRICT. Agent, Capt. E. H. Marwick. No. of scholars, 82. Summer, Fall, and Winter terms of school, taught by Miss Lucy Sylvester. Miss Sylvester is one of our first-class teachers. The school was a success all through the year.

NO. 4—VILLAGE DISTRICT. Agent, Rev. E. Gerry. No. of scholars, 346. Spring and Summer term, 16 weeks. Principal, E. W. Whitcomb, Assistant, Rose M. Tarbox; Grammar, Carrie A. Chase; Higher Primary, Cora A. Jackson; Intermediate, Carrie M. Douglass; Lower Primary, Blanche M. Harrington. Fall and Winter term, Principal, G. L. Rogers, Assistant, Rose M. Tarbox; Grammar, 1st half, Mrs. Mary Jennings, 2d half, Carrie A. Chase; Intermediate, Carrie Whittier; Lower Primary, Mabel Sylvester; Higher Primary, Cora A. Jackson. The teachers labored hard and earnestly in their schools, and did excellent work.

NO. 5—FAIRBANKS DISTRICT. Agent, John Keith. No. of scholars, 54. Spring term taught by Mrs. Juliet B. Keith. Fall term taught by Mrs. E. T. Sewall. Winter term taught by Arthur L. Sampson. Mrs. Keith taught an excellent school. Mrs. Sewall is an experienced teacher,

school good. Arthur Sampson is a fine scholar, and labored hard to make the school a success.

No. 7—SPRAGUE DISTRICT. Agent, E. Macomber. No. of scholars, 30. Summer term taught by Miss Anna A. Ludden. Fall term taught by Miss Alice Morrison. Miss Ludden did well for a beginner. Miss Morrison is a good teacher and did well for the school.

No. 8—CURRIER DISTRICT. Agent, E. Bradford. No. of scholars 9. One term of school in this district, now in session, taught by Miss Alice Weymouth. Miss W. has had much experience as a teacher. School appeared well at my first visit.

No. 9—WEST FARMINGTON DISTRICT. Agent, Geo. E. Lowell. No. of scholars, 100. Spring term taught by Miss Sadie A. Ford, Assistant, Miss Stinchfield. Fall term taught by Miss Ford, Assistant, Miss Alzie Sampson. Winter term taught by Mr. John I. Hunt, Assistant, Miss Ford. Mr. Lowell was fortunate in securing Mr. Hunt, for he has brains and discipline, and has a happy faculty of using both. He and the other teachers worked well for the school.

No. 10—CRAIG DISTRICT. Agent, S. G. Craig. No. of scholars, 24. Spring term taught by Miss Annie G. Atherton. Winter term by Arthur Pickard. Summer school, very good. Winter school, teacher did well both in discipline and instruction.

No. 11—GILLMAN DISTRICT. Agent, M. L. Whittier. No. of scholars, 18. Summer and Winter term taught by Miss Nellie C. Gordon. Miss G. worked hard for a beginner.

No. 12—KNOWLTON'S CORNER DISTRICT. Agent, S. D. Knowlton. No. of scholars, 14. Spring term taught by Miss Clara A. Robbins. Winter term by Miss Alice Morrison. The school made good improvement both summer and winter.

No. 14—BRIGGS DISTRICT. Agent, A. F. Hardy. No. of scholars, 21. Summer term taught by Mrs. Gertrude Walker. Winter term by Mr. Ranger. Mrs. Walker taught a good school. Mr. Ranger's school was profitable, and the results good.

No. 15—RUSSELL'S MILLS DISTRICT. Agent, W. D. Dean. No. of scholars, 25. Both terms of the year were taught by Mrs. E. T. Sewall, with good results, for Mrs. Sewall is an excellent teacher.

NO. 16—PORTER HILL DISTRICT. Agent, R. Jones. No. of scholars, 6. One term of school taught by Mary Lidstone. Miss Lidstone was successful in her school.

NO. 17—BAILEY HILL DISTRICT.—Agent, John Ames. No. of scholars, 12. Summer and Winter term taught by Mrs. L. N. Ames. Mrs. Ames is a painstaking teacher, and her school showed that good work had been done.

NO. 18—TITCOMB DISTRICT. Agent, B. Sewall. No. of scholars, 15. Summer term taught by Miss M. Etta Norton. Winter term by Miss Nina E. Kinney. Both terms showed satisfactory results.

NO. 19—MOSHER DISTRICT. Agent, S. Mosher. No. of scholars, 21. Summer term taught by Miss Flora L. Greenleaf. Winter term by Miss Pickard. Miss Greenleaf did good work, and bids fair to make a very successful teacher. Winter term found both teacher and school doing well.

NO. 20—HOLLEY DISTRICT. Agent, J. E. Greenleaf. No. of scholars, 14. Summer term taught by Mrs. G. H. Hiscock. Winter term by Miss Flora L. Greenleaf. The summer term under Mrs. Hiscock made good improvement. Miss Greenleaf on account of sickness was not able to finish her school, but did well while she taught.

NO. 21—SPAULDING DISTRICT. Agent, G. E. Holley. No. of scholars, 12. Summer term taught by Mrs. M. S. Preston. Winter term by Arthur Collins. Summer term, school excellent. Winter term, Mr. Collins did good work.

NO. 22—HOBBS' MILLS DISTRICT. Agent, M. C. Hobbs. No. of scholars, 30.

NO. 23—Union with Chesterville. Agent, C. M. Chesley. No. of scholars, 15.

NO. 25—Union with Wilton. No. of scholars, 9.

NO. 26—SMITH DISTRICT. No. of scholars, 2.

NO. 28—Union with Industry. Agent, Luce. No. of scholars, 8.

NO. 30—HILLMAN DISTRICT. Agent, A. Barker. No. of scholars, 5. Winter term taught by Miss Eva A. Hatch. School now in session and doing well.

NO. 31—Union with New Sharon. No. of scholars, 4.

The schools, as a whole, during the year, have made good improvement. Farmington has a class of teachers that would be a credit to any town. We regret that space will not allow us to speak of much we would like.

A WORD TO THE PARENTS.

We would urge upon you, as parents, the importance of the children knowing and feeling that you are interested in the school. Much depends on this, for when home study, discipline and influence rightly direct the child, *that child* will succeed.

TO THE TEACHERS.

You cannot succeed in teaching without being a constant student, for every day opens new fields of thought with which you come in contact ; and those ideas you must master if you wish success in your calling. No better, or nobler work in life, will you be called to do than that of moulding young minds. See that your finger-marks left on their plastic memory may tell for good.

TO THE SCHOLARS.

Remember, no one can learn for you or think for you. Have a mind of your own. Study for some purpose : to be something in life. Let your mark be high, and be determined to reach it. See that none, for good, pass you in the race of life.

Thanking you all for your confidence, I remain your humble servant,

D. CHURCH, *Supervisor.*

Farmington, Feb. 20, 1890.