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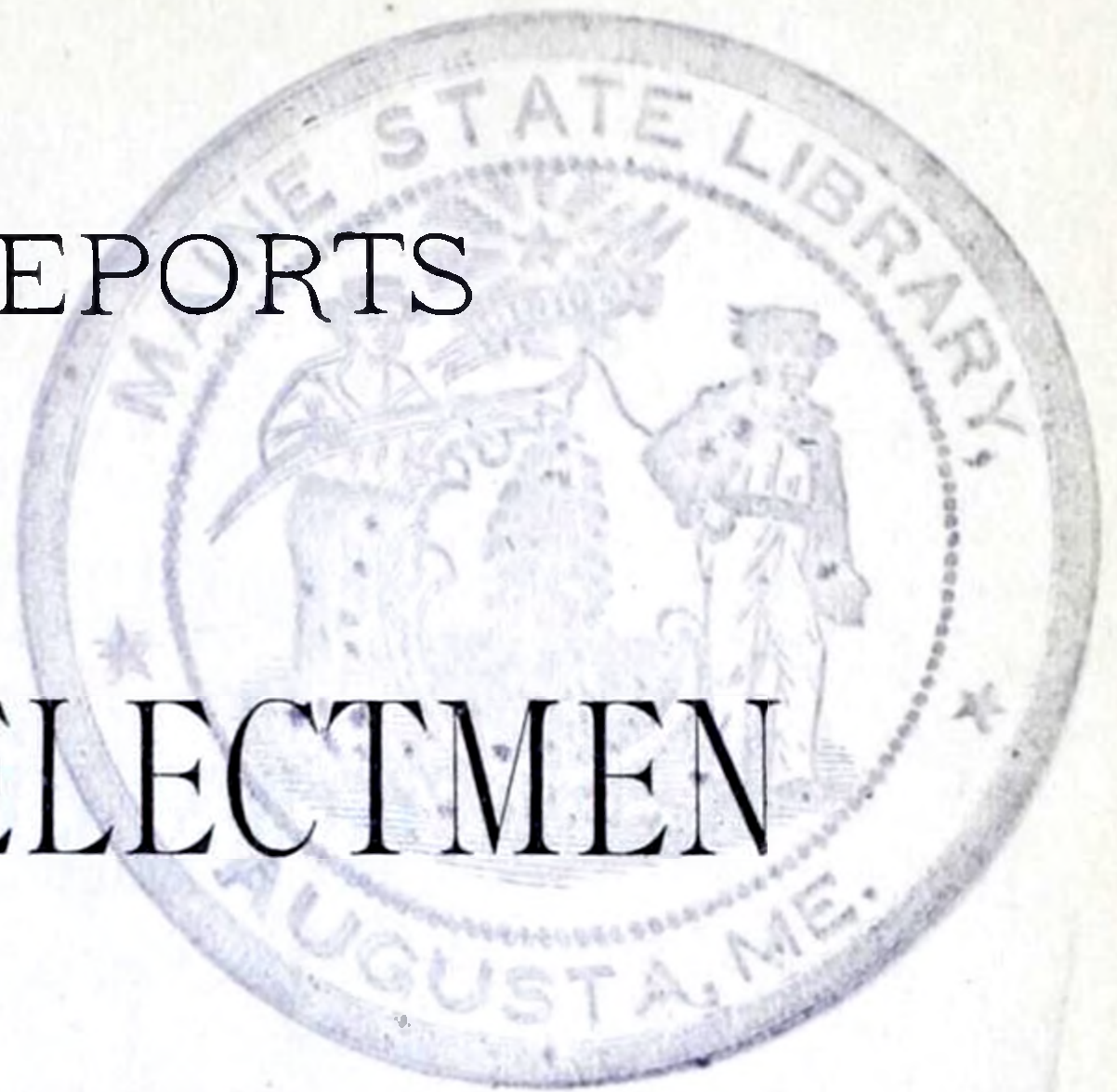
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# TOWN OFFICERS, 1892.

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CLERK.

WILLIAM SPRAGUE.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

ELI HODGKINS,

J. S. WEYMOUTH,

C. S. STETSON.

TREASURER.

H. W. GAMAGE.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

OWEN W. LARRABEE.

CONSTABLE AND COLLECTOR.

G. V. TODD.



## REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

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### *Valuation of the Town, April 1, 1892.*

Real estate,	\$237,810 00	
Personal estate,	55,357 00	
	\$293,167 00	

### ASSESSMENTS.

State tax,	\$907 92	
County tax,	456 66	
	\$1,365 58	

### RAISED BY TOWN.

Current expenses,	\$900 00	
Roads and bridges,	500 00	
Common schools,	800 00	
Free high school,	100 00	
Debt and interest,	100 00	
School books,	50 00	
Memorial Day,	15 00	
Barr road,	40 00	
For Wardwell place,	185 00	
	\$2,690 00	
Overlay,	\$165 90	
Delinquent highway,	123 49	
Non-resident highway,	46 52	
	\$335 91	
Dog licenses,		108 00
		\$4,499 49

Rate of taxation, .0128. Number of polls, 235. Poll tax, \$2.00. Paid for collecting, .02 on the dollar.

Raised labor tax for highways and put into the hands of sub-surveyors, \$1,200. Rate, .035. Poll tax, \$1.00.



## EXPENDITURES.

## ROADS.

B. E. Allen, labor, 1891,	\$6 67	
J. M. R. Murray, shoeing oxen, 1891,	2 75	
S. R. Sylvester, labor, 1891,	5 00	
J. S. Weymouth, oxen,	170 00	
Charles Richardson, oxen,	145 00	
J. S. Weymouth, labor and cash paid for labor,	25 00	
V. H. Sprague, plank for bridges,	6 20	
J. B. Ham & Co., feed for team,	22 65	
S. B. Rackley, labor,	54 37	
J. S. Weymouth, labor,	53 40	
C. S. Stetson, cash paid for labor,	7 00	
G. V. Todd, cash on pay-roll,	132 26	
J. S. Weymouth, cash paid for labor,	35 25	
S. R. Sylvester, labor,	10 31	
George Barr, land damages,	15 00	
George Tylor & Co., knife for road machine,	8 00	
George B. Haskell, ox-bows,	2 40	
G. V. Todd, cash on pay-roll,	52 79	
H. L. Prescott, labor,	5 06	
V. H. Sprague, plank,	14 37	
J. H. Day, hardware,	1 83	
S. B. Rackley, labor and keeping oxen,	38 55	
H. W. Gamage, feed for team,	25 24	
G. V. Todd, cash on pay-roll,	14 24	
C. M. Washburn, ox yoke,	3 00	
J. M. R. Murray, blacksmithing,	8 00	
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Total amount of orders drawn for roads,		\$864 34
Sold one pair of oxen to A. B. Hall,	\$152 50	
Sold one pair of oxen to J. H. Gilman,	125 00	
Received of S. B. Rackley, for use of oxen,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$280 50
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Total cost of roads including the Barr road,		\$583 84
Appropriation including delinquent high-		
way,		\$710 01
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Unexpended,		\$126 17



## CURRENT EXPENSES.

Including Support of Poor.

G. V. Todd, part pay collecting, 1891,	\$60 00
L. D. Manson, fence wire, 1891,	4 64
Lewiston Journal, printing reports, 1891,	16 00
Thomas B. Mosher, books, 1892,	4 50
R. C. Pingree, lumber for Eaton's room,	8 08
E. A. Mower, pigs for farm,	5 00
E. A. Mower, hay for farm,	12 00
E. F. Pratt, aid to M. Pickett,	12 00
S. W. Cary, aid to E. P. Wardwell,	152 87
C. J. Stoddard, hay for farm,	13 50
D. B. Wiley, wood for Eaton's room,	4 25
Town of Mercer, aid to O. M. Kilgore,	4 83
Eli Hodgkins, burial expenses of Dorcas Brown,	13 00
H. H. Purinton, medical attendance on paupers,	9 75
H. H. Purinton, for board of health,	2 75
H. H. Purinton, for reporting births and deaths,	2 75
B. G. Hill, services as election clerk,	3 00
F. L. Rackley, services as election clerk,	3 00
Owen W. Larrabee, services as supervisor,	47 00
William Sprague, services as clerk and cash paid,	17 25
G. V. Todd, services as constable,	10 00
G. V. Todd, balance due for collecting bills, 1891,	19 41
H. H. Purinton, medical aid to Lillian N. Ayer,	18 75
C. J. Stoddard, hauling wood and pasturing heifer,	13 50
George E. Parker, services on board of health,	2 50
Eli Hodgkins, clothing and blankets for paupers,	5 40
J. L. Howe, churn for farm,	9 00
Eli Hodgkins, express, postage, and stationery,	2 85
Eli Hodgkins, making ballot box, booths, etc.,	7 75
W. L. Mower, work on trees on farm,	1 00



Ellis Richardson, trimming trees,	\$3 75	
Eli Hodgkins, cash paid for moving Wardwell,	2 50	
E. F. Pratt, aid to M. Pickett,	27 00	
Eli Hodgkins, services as selectman, etc.,	67 25	
J. S. Weymouth, services as selectman, etc.,	49 75	
C. S. Stetson, services as selectman, etc.,	45 00	
S. W. Cary, expenses for E. P. Wardwell,	243 71	
H. W. Gamage, services as treasurer,	30 00	
James F. Goss, salary as overseer on farm,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,155 29
Appropriation including overlay and license fees collected on dogs,		\$1,157 90
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Unexpended,		\$2 61

### TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

James F. Goss, superintendent. From April 4th to March 1st made 594 1-2 lbs. of butter.

Sold 513 lbs. butter at 20 cents,	\$102 60	
149 1-2 dozen eggs,	28 69	
apples,	14 22	
one pig, 300 lbs., at 7 1-2 cents,	22 50	
3 veal calves,	15 00	
fowl,	55	
sweet corn,	21 48	
1 hide,	1 50	
beef,	15 20	
tallow,	42	
straw,	1 75	
1 pig, 210 lbs., at 10 cents,	21 00	
	<hr/>	\$244 91
Paid cash to treasurer from salary,		4 87
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		\$249 78
Paid for supplies for farm,	\$19 23	
for feed for cattle, groceries, provisions, etc.,	213 72	
C. J. Stoddard, for haying, pig, etc.,	14 08	
for use of bull,	2 75	
	<hr/>	\$249 78



The town has paid by orders as follows :

Two pigs,	\$5 00	
Hay,	25 50	
Hauling wood,	9 50	
Pasturing heifer,	4 00	
Wood for Eaton's room,	4 25	
Churn,	9 00	
Clothing and blankets,	5 40	
Medical attendance,	3 75	
Lumber,	8 08	
Fence wire, 1891,	4 64	
Overseer,	200 00	
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Total cost of poor over farm account,		\$279 12

#### POOR OFF THE FARM.

Margaret Pickett, board,	\$39 00	
Clothing,	2 00	
Medical attendance,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$47 00

#### OUT OF TOWN.

E. P. Wardwell and family,	\$396 58	
O. M. Kilgore,	4 83	
	<hr/>	\$401 41
Total cost of poor,		<hr/> \$727 53

We have furnished medical aid to Lillian

Ayer for town of Brunswick, \$18 75

There is now on the farm : 4 cows, 15 hens, 1-2 ton of hay, 1 1-8 bbls. flour, 2-3 bbl. pork, 1 bu. beets, 1 bu. turnips, apples enough for farm use, 12 lbs. lard, 6 lbs. sugar, 5 feather beds, 3 husk beds, 11 quilts, 13 pillows, 11 sheets, 10 pillow cases, 18 chairs, 3 bureaus, 1 cook stove, 2 air-tight stoves, 1 barrel stove, and 1 desk. There are 30 milk pans, but the crockery ware is not plenty. About 15 cords of wood at the door, 1 ox cart, 1 spring tooth harrow, 1 plow.



The town, at the last annual meeting, raised \$185 to pay the mortgage on Wardwell's place in Turner. Finding that the expenses of the Wardwell family were very large, it was decided to move them into town, therefore Mr. Cary, by license of the Probate Court, sold the stand in Turner for \$300, and bought a small farm in Greene, price \$600. Mr. Wardwell received back pay for increase of pension, \$142, with one-quarter's pay, \$36, together with the amount received for the place in Turner, making in all, \$478 to pay on the place, leaving a balance of \$122 due, which we think can be paid by installments out of his pension. We are hoping that, with the use of the place and his pension, Mr. Wardwell will be able to support his family in the future.

#### SCHOOL BOOKS.

Appropriated,	\$50 00	
Paid for books and expenses,	51 84	
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Overdrawn,		\$1 84

#### MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriated,	\$15 00	
Paid G. A. R. committee,	12 12	
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Unexpended,		\$2 50

#### INTEREST.

Appropriated,	\$100 00	
Paid,	26 00	
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Unexpended,		\$74 00

#### FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Raised,	\$100 00
Expended,	198 95
Due from the State,	99 47

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid School District No. 7, balance due in treasury,	\$20 30
Raised for Wardwell place,	185 00
Paid, " "	185 00
Sold one pair of oxen from town farm and paid money to treasury,	125 00



## ABATEMENTS, BILLS 1891.

T. D. Barnard, poll tax and delinquent highway,	\$3 00
B. C. Donnell, poll tax, out of town,	2 00
C. A. Fogg, poll tax, out of town,	2 00
B. F. Howatt, out of town,	2 52
C. G. Lowell,	1 38
William M. Longley, poll tax,	2 00
A. F. Ray, unknown,	58
Al. Talcott, unknown,	2 86
William Wiggin,	2 00
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	\$18 34

## ABATEMENTS, LICENSE FEES ON DOGS.

William Jannelle, killed his dog,	\$1 00
J. F. Gray, killed his dog,	1 00
Veres Greenwood, Jr., killed his dog,	1 00
J. J. Haley, killed his dog,	1 00
Hiram Keenan, killed his dog,	2 00
William E. Longley, killed his dog,	1 00
C. C. Peaslee, killed his dog,	1 00
Edgar Rose, error,	3 00
W. E. Rose, error,	2 00
Wyman E. Stevens, killed his dog,	1 00
William Welch, unknown,	1 00
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	\$15 00

## LIABILITIES.

Notes bearing interest,	\$1,646 00
Interest due,	184 89
Due the several school districts,	334 26
Outstanding town orders,	11 00
Outstanding school order,	2 35
Due for collecting taxes, 1892,	80 99
Due for printing town reports, 1893,	18 00
Outstanding bills, estimated,	20 00
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	\$2,297 49



## RESOURCES.

Cash in treasury,	\$27 52	
Due from collector, 1892,	1,795 51	
Due from collector, 1891,	9 65	
Due from State, for high school,	99 47	
Due on tax deeds,	81 98	
Due from town of Brunswick,	18 75	
	<hr/>	\$2,032 88

Liabilities over resources,		<hr/>	\$264 61
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Respectfully submitted,

ELI HODGKINS,  
J. S. WEYMOUTH,  
C. S. STETSON,

*Selectmen of Greene.*



# TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1893.

## RECEIPTS.

Received from Treasurer of 1891,	\$58 67	
Eli Hodgkins, town order No. 67,	9 65	
G.V. Todd, collector, 1891,	1,620 22	
G.V. Todd, collector, 1892,	2,703 98	
Non-resident taxes, 1890,	19 69	
Non-resident taxes, 1891,	37 30	
Eli Hodgkins, oxen sold,	277 50	
State Treasurer, railroad and telegraph tax,	4 71	
State Treasurer, school fund and mill tax,	572 25	
Eli Hodgkins, oxen sold,	125 00	
State Treasurer, State aid,	96 00	
S. B. Rackley, use of oxen,	3 00	
Eli Hodgkins, liquor kegs sold,	75	
Eli Hodgkins, wood for free high school in District No. 11,	10 00	
J. F. Goss,	4 86	
	<hr/>	\$5,543 59

## EXPENDITURES.

Town orders paid,	\$2,637 46	
School orders paid,	1,385 03	
State aid, paid Francis Wright,	72 00	
State aid, paid William P. Reed,	24 00	
Advertising non-resident taxes,	6 00	
Interest on town notes,	26 00	
County tax, 1892,	456 66	
State tax, 1892,	908 92	
Cash in treasury March 1, 1893,	27 52	
	<hr/>	\$5,543 59

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. GAMAGE, *Treasurer of Greene.*



# REPORT OF SUPERVISOR.

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*To the Citizens of Greene:*

In accordance with the requirements of the law of the State and the established custom of my predecessors, I herewith present to you my annual report as Supervisor of schools for the year ending February 28, 1893:

Whole number of pupils between the ages of four and twenty-one in the town of Greene, on the first day of April, 1892, 247.

## SCHOOL RESOURCES.

Amount of money raised by the town for common schools,	\$800 00
Amount received from the State,	572 25
Amount of money raised by the town for free high school,	200 00
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Total school resources,	\$1,572 25

Of this sum \$55.00 was paid as tuition to the town of Webster for the benefit of the scholars in District No. 15, Greene.

### DISTRICT No. 1.

D. B. Wiley, agent. Mrs. Emma Johnson, teacher. The term of school in this district is now in session, with Mrs. Johnson as teacher. If the school is not a success it will not be the teacher's fault.

### DISTRICT No. 2.

J. O. Beals, agent. Mrs. Geo. L. Beals, teacher. There has been but one term of school in the district during the year. There were but five pupils registered. The success of this term was all that could be expected under the circumstances. Very good work was done.

### DISTRICT No. 3.

J. L. Howe, agent. *Summer Term.* Miss Fannie M. Rose, teacher. I visited the school at the beginning of the term and found the teacher evidently doing her best, and bound to succeed. The order was very good, and the pupils interested. The work done was very satisfactory.



*Fall Term.* Miss Edith S. Parker, teacher. Miss Parker possessed the faculty of explaining to her scholars. The various classes made a good showing, especially in Arithmetic and Geography. The work done was creditable to teacher and pupils alike.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Eli Hodgkins, agent. *Summer Term.* Miss Edith B. Pratt, teacher. This was Miss Pratt's first term of school as teacher. She has a pleasant manner of conducting her work. The pupils manifested an interest in their studies and obtained good results. Teacher and pupils deserve high praise.

*Fall Term.* Estella Mitchell, teacher. Miss Mitchell taught a successful term of school. The recitations were excellent, and the pupils showed advancement in their work.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Wm. B. Wright, agent. *Summer Term.* Mrs. Mabel Carville, teacher. Mrs. Carville's work in this school was thorough and systematic. Her usual high reputation as a teacher was sustained.

*Winter Term.* Walter L. Mower, teacher. Mr. Mower is a successful teacher, and one of our scholarly young men. The instruction was first class in every respect. Excellent progress was made in all studies.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Roscoe L. Libby, agent. *Summer Term.* Edith Smith, teacher. Miss Smith has had considerable experience in this district as teacher, always with good results, and I think the usual good work of both teacher and pupils was performed this term.

*Fall Term.* Mrs. Emma Johnson, teacher. Mrs. Johnson is a teacher of considerable experience. She has a happy faculty of conducting a school. The pupils manifested a deep interest in their work. Good advancement was made by all, especially those in the elementary studies.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Geo. E. Mendall, agent. *Summer Term.* Miss Edith S. Parker, teacher. This was Miss Parker's first attempt at teach-



ing. She began her school under favorable circumstances, and it appeared to be a profitable term. On account of a severe illness she was unable to finish the term. It was closed under the instruction of Mr. H. P. Parker.

*Winter Term.* Mr. B. R. Bigelow, teacher. Mr. Bigelow knows what belongs to a good school, and he insists upon having good order and the lessons well learned. The pupils engaged in their studies with interest and earnestness. Mr. Bigelow's instruction is of the highest order.

#### DISTRICT No. 9.

Thomas Stevens, agent. *Summer Term.* Miss Nellie M. Patten, teacher. Miss Patten is unusually well qualified to instruct a school like this. The pupils seemed in sympathy with their teacher. Good order and many of those points that make up a good school was observed.

*Fall Term.* Miss Carrie S. Brown, teacher. The school was quiet and orderly, and the few pupils present at the close of the term showed evidence of good progress.

#### DISTRICT No. 10.

Seward E. Beal, agent. S. Lizzie Spofford, teacher. Miss Spofford has had charge of the school in this district during the year, three terms of twenty-eight weeks. The teacher manifested much interest in her work, and the pupils showed a readiness to respond to their teacher's wishes. The examinations showed good work done. I think the school profitable to those interested.

#### DISTRICT No. 11.

John M. Murray, agent. *Summer Term.* Miss Laura E. Thomas, teacher. Miss Thomas seemed interested in her pupils and evidently tried to do her best, and, as far as the teacher was concerned, I think the school was profitable to the district.

#### DISTRICT No. 16.

B. G. Hill, agent. *Summer Term.* Miss Marcia E. Lowell, teacher. Miss Lowell made a good beginning as teacher in this term of school. She required the lessons thoroughly learned.



Her discipline was good, and I think satisfaction is the sentiment of all.

*Fall Term.* Miss Susie L. Pratt, teacher. This term of school was, in every sense, a profitable one. A spirit of earnestness pervaded every part of the school work, and the work performed was highly creditable to the teacher's skill and the industry of the pupils.

### TEACHERS.

The teachers employed in Greene during the year who have qualified themselves by attending some normal or training school, have secured the best results in their work. We cannot always procure the best teachers with the limited means at our command, but I am most happy to say the teachers employed in our schools during the year have brought to their labors an appreciation of their duties, and have shown a sincere desire to return an equivalent value for that which they received.

### SCHOOLS.

The number of pupils, the average attendance, and the willingness on the part of the pupils to perform the work assigned to them has much to do with the success of every school. No school should register less than ten pupils. In our small schools all the faculties of the teachers are required to make the school interesting. If where such small schools exist they could be united with some other school, both would be benefited and money saved. I call your attention to this matter because it demands the careful consideration of all those interested in common-school education in the town of Greene.

### FREE HIGH SCHOOLS.

By a wise vote of the town at its last annual meeting an appropriation for a free high school was made. The first term of this school was located in District No. 8 and continued twelve weeks, under the instruction of Mr. B. R. Bigelow. The second term, of ten weeks, was located in District No. 11, taught by Miss Alice Bradbury. Both terms were well attended, excellent work was performed, and I recall no instance where the same amount of school money has been expended to better



advantage. Our limited amount of school money makes it almost a necessity for us to take advantage of the high school act. Greene has to pay its proportional part for the support of every free high school in the State of Maine. It is economy for us to take advantage of the law. A school of this kind is no experiment, but a step in advance, and I hope that at our coming annual meeting an interest will be manifested for the support of this school.

#### NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS.

There are ten school-houses in town, with an estimated value of \$2,000. Some of them are in good repair, while others are sadly in need of repairs. This matter being in the hands of the district where they are located, I hope they will see that it is remedied at no distant day.

#### TEXT-BOOKS.

We have a uniformity of text-books in all our schools in town, and it is considered an advantage to our scholars. The books have been well cared for during the year, and although our supply of books is so small that I have had to borrow from one district for the benefit of another, yet with a small appropriation at our annual meeting, that fault can be done away with.

#### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion permit me to say that I have brought only matters to your attention that cannot fail to interest you. The common school interests of our town demand your most careful attention and consideration. Use your best influence in behalf of education. We should vote an ample appropriation for our schools. Our teachers should be selected with the utmost care, and we should all be held responsible for our schools because they are intrusted to our care.

OWEN W. LARRABEE,

*Supervisor of Schools.*

Greene, February 28, 1893.



STATISTICS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE TOWN OF GREENE

For the Year Ending February 27, 1893.

SPRING TERM.

District No.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Whole No. of pupils in Dist.	No. of days of school.	Whole No. attend'g school.	Average attendance.	Not absent one-half day.	Daily Recitations.
1	.....	4	..	..	..	..	..
2	.....	3	..	..	..	..	..
3	Fannie M. Rose, . . . . .	26	45	16	14.5	4	28
4	Edith B. Pratt, . . . . .	12	39	9	8	2	25
6	Mabel Carville, . . . . .	22	40	7	6.5	2	23
7	Edith Smith, . . . . .	30	50	12	10	1	24
8	Edith S. Parker, . . . . .	27	45	16	11	2	23
9	Nellie M. Patten, . . . . .	18	40	11	10	1	25
10	S. Lizzie Spofford, . . . . .	33	50	21	17	2	27
11	Laura E. Thomas, . . . . .	18	40	6	5	1	21
16	Marcia E. Lowell, . . . . .	19	50	20	18	1	25

FALL TERM.

1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	Mrs. G. L. Beals, . . . . .	.....	45	5	4.5	2	18
3	Edith S. Parker, . . . . .	.....	65	18	16	2	27
4	Estelle Mitchell, . . . . .	.....	45	8	7	2	32
6	Walter L. Mower, . . . . .	.....	60	11	8	1	24
7	* Emma Johnson, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	Benjamin R. Bigelow, . . . . .	.....	60	25	20	2	24
9	Carrie S. Brown, . . . . .	.....	50	10	8	5	27
10	S. Lizzie Spofford, . . . . .	.....	50	17	14	3	24
11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	Susie L. Pratt, . . . . .	.....	70	19	15.5	3	26

\* Register not returned.

WINTER TERM.

1	† Emma Johnson, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	† Benjamin R. Bigelow, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	S. Lizzie Spofford, . . . . .	.....	40	14	11	1	28
11	† Alice Bradbury, . . . . .	.....	50	30	.....	.....	15
16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

† School in session.