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# TOWN OFFICERS

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CLERK.

WILLIAM SPRAGUE.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

H. H. COBURN.

C. M. WASHBURN.

GEORGE E. FOGG.

TREASURER.

E. L. MOWER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

MINA MAXWELL COBURN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

B. G. HILL. O. W. LARRABEE. MINA M. COBURN.

ANNIE M. SHAW. CELIA B. TUCK.

CONSTABLE AND COLLECTOR.

C. S. STETSON.

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## REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

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### *Valuation of Town, April 1, 1897.*

Resident real estate,	\$208,985 00	
Non-resident real estate,	20,095 00	
Resident personal estate,	41,712 00	
Non-resident personal estate,	627 00	
	<hr/>	\$271,419 00

### ASSESSMENTS.

State tax,	\$857 13	
County tax,	436 58	
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### RAISED BY THE TOWN.

Current expense and support of poor,	\$500 00	
Common schools,	1,000 00	
School books,	200 00	
Debt and interest,	300 00	
Roads and bridges,	200 00	
Memorial Day,	15 00	
Delinquent and non-resident highway,	133 19	
	<hr/>	\$2,348 19
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Total commitment to collector,		\$3,641 90

Rate money,  $.011\frac{1}{2}$  on \$1.00. Number of polls, 227. Poll tax, \$2.00. Paid for collecting, .02 on a dollar.

Labor tax, highway, \$2,000. Rate, .068 on \$1.00. Poll tax, \$1.00.

## LIST OF ORDERS.

## DRAWN IN FAVOR OF

J. J. Haley, board and care of Mrs. Stevens,	\$13 85
Mina L. Maxwell, expense on books,	3 15
A. M. Thompson, labor on roads,	2 10
Chandler & Winship, book-keeping blanks,	2 33
Loring, Short & Harmon, valuation book,	5 05
G. V. Todd, part pay for collecting tax of 1896,	50 00
H. H. Coburn, clothing for family of E. P. Wardwell,	13 75
D. B. Wiley, labor on roads,	7 00
V. M. Parker, cleaning school-houses,	5 50
Town Treasurer of Avon on account of M. C. Colby and family,	35 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, license register,	1 75
Z. A. Gilbert, labor on roads,	6 57
Mina L. Maxwell, part pay as superintendent and for freight and express,	13 50
Mina L. Maxwell, school books and labels,	13 70
Lewiston Journal Publishing Co., town reports,	16 00
William E. Longley, Memorial Day expenses,	15 00
George E. Fogg, cow for E. P. Wardwell,	33 00
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school books,	38 04
H. H. Coburn, clothing, medicine, etc., for Mrs. Stevens,	11 40
H. A. Goss, teaching,	54 00
Annie M. Shaw, teaching,	54 00
Laura T. Burnham, teaching,	54 00
Arthur E. Coburn, carrying scholars,	22 50
J. T. Wardwell, services as janitor,	2 25
Lucy E. Dorman, teaching,	54 00
Alice D. Libbey, teaching,	54 00
Bertha L. Moody, teaching,	54 00
Maymie E. Sawyer, teaching,	54 00
L. Patten, carrying scholars,	29 25
Eddie C. Rackley, janitor's service, etc.,	2 00
Sawyer Brothers, supplies to E. P. Wardwell,	35 25
C. F. Proctor, carrying scholars,	29 25
Estate of G. V. Todd, collecting taxes of 1896,	7 39
George E. Fogg, labor on roads,	40 00

Flora E. Coburn, cleaning school-house,	\$2 00
Ginn & Co., school books,	50 00
A. B. Hodgkins, labor on roads,	24 00
A. K. P. Mower, labor on roads,	6 40
S. B. Rackley, labor on roads, 1896,	5 00
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school books,	8 08
George E. Fogg, labor on roads,	22 00
A. B. Hodgkins, labor on roads,	18 50
Mina L. Maxwell, superintendent and supplies,	22 10
Walter Stockford, janitor service,	2 13
J. F. Gray, plank for culverts,	3 43
Frank Smith, wood for schools,	4 00
D. B. Wiley, labor on roads,	14 00
V. M. Parker, cleaning school-houses,	4 00
J. S. Weymouth, labor on roads,	6 75
L. W. Sawyer, labor on roads,	1 32
Frances E. Wright, teaching,	70 00
A. E. Coburn, carrying scholars,	25 00
Alice M. Bishop, teaching,	70 00
Lucy E. Dorman, teaching,	70 00
C. F. Proctor, carrying scholars,	32 00
Mrs. I. N. Parker, teaching,	50 00
Alice D. Libbey, teaching,	60 00
Annie M. Shaw, teaching and carrying scholars,	80 00
L. Patten, carrying scholars, etc.,	33 25
Tascus Atwood, services in Stevens and Colby cases,	22 77
William Ellsworth, labor on roads,	2 97
E. C. Rackley, janitor and repairs,	2 65
L. S. Hill, janitor,	2 50
M. B. Sanborn, wood for schools,	4 00
Florence G. Rose, care of school-house,	1 75
Mrs. Fannie M. Rose, teaching,	70 00
Mina L. Maxwell, superintendent and supplies,	9 00
George E. Fogg, wood for schools,	4 50
R. C. Pingree, plank for bridges,	6 27
Rose Jennings, board and care of Mrs. C. O. Merrill,	7 00
D. B. Wiley, wood for Eaton's fire,	6 50
L. O. Cobb, medical attendance to Mrs. C. O. Merrill,	23 00
W. H. Hodgkins, labor on roads,	6 00

J. F. Wilkins, labor on roads,	\$5 13
L. O. Cobb, medical attendance to Mrs. C. O. Merrill,	4 50
Carville & Wiley, plank for culverts,	3 10
Z. Shaw, labor on roads,	4 87
Rose Jennings, board and care of Mrs. C. O. Merrill,	9 50
L. D. Manson, labor on roads,	1 50
D. W. Jillson, service as janitor,	3 00
Lucy E. Dorman, teaching,	63 00
Arthur E. Coburn, carrying scholars,	22 50
Mina Maxwell Coburn, balance for superintendent of schools and supplies bought,	16 25
E. L. Mower, goods furnished E. P. Wardwell,	9 40
E. Goyette, care of school-house,	2 97
A. Evelyn Williams, teaching,	63 00
Harry A. Goss, teaching,	63 00
C. F. Proctor, carrying scholars,	29 25
L. Patten, carrying scholars,	27 00
L. R. Patten, janitor service,	2 25
Frances E. Wright, teaching,	63 00
E. C. Rackley, janitor service, etc.,	2 75
W. L. Mower, janitor service,	1 80
W. L. Mower, teaching,	58 80
Edith B. Parker, teaching,	63 00
Jennie A. James, carrying scholars,	2 50
M. T. Newton, M.D., reporting births and deaths,	3 50
B. G. Hill, wood for schools,	40 37
B. G. Hill, service as truant officer, repairs, etc.,	8 00
W. S. & J. F. Wilkins, labor on roads,	7 96
Leon Pettengill, plank for culverts,	6 01
Bertha V. Works, service as janitor, three terms,	7 72
G. A. Works, repairs on school-house,	1 00
Fred Goyette, service as janitor,	1 25
Charles S. Foss, carrying scholars,	36 00
Ginn & Co., school books,	98 57
E. W. Ray, labor on roads,	5 92
Judson Bangs, plank for culverts,	4 41
Sawyer Bros., clothing for Eaton,	2 75
Harold Fox, janitor service and supplies,	1 60
Murray Bros., blacksmithing,	1 25



E. L. Mower, plank for culverts,	\$1 74
E. L. Mower, services as treasurer,	30 00
J. B. Gould, labor on roads,	2 50
C. E. Carville, planks for culverts,	65
Sawyer Bros., supplies to E. P. Wardwell,	47 97
Town of Monmouth, aid to Charles Pratt,	6 50
George H. Fields, storm-door for farm-house,	1 44
N. R. Bishop, labor on roads,	1 25
George E. Parker, board of health,	2 50
Isaac Wardwell, labor on roads,	2 12
C. J. Stoddard, labor on roads,	13 12
William Sprague, services as clerk, etc.,	14 65
J. F. Goss, labor on roads,	7 48
J. Caswell, board and care of Mrs. Additon,	25 00
H. H. Coburn, advertising, non-resident tax and postage,	2 00
H. H. Coburn, selectman, assessor, etc.,	45 52
C. M. Washburn, selectman, assessor, etc.,	37 25
H. L. Prescott, lodging tramps, and for sundries,	4 07
H. L. Prescott, as overseer of town farm,	40 00
George E. Fogg, selectman, assessor, etc.,	27 75
George E. Fogg, labor on roads,	2 70
Ellsworth Rose, labor on roads,	3 10
Eli Hodgkins, cash paid for clothing and supplies to E. P. Wardwell,	23 96
Eli Hodgkins, on account of E. P. Wardwell as guardian,	10 00
George E. Parker, supplies for use of schools,	2 43
Rose Jennings, board and care of Mrs. Merrill,	5 75
Sawyer Brothers, aid to George Blake,	1 65
A. A. Witham, labor on roads,	3 74
H. S. Stewart, labor on roads,	1 32
C. S. Stetson, abatements, commitment 1896,	24 21
C. S. Stetson, errors and abatements, tax 1897,	17 92
Frank and William Smith, labor on roads,	4 58
C. S. Stetson, labor on roads,	1 00
C. S. Stetson, service as constable,	10 00
C. S. Stetson, collecting balance due on tax of 1896,	23 70
B. E. Allen, labor on roads,	9 12
Sawyer Brothers, powder, fuse, etc.,	43

Sawyer Brothers, supplies for use of schools,		\$2 75
Alanson Rose, labor on roads,		12 84
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Total amount of orders drawn,	\$2,920	89

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Expended on account of roads and bridges,		\$281 15
Appropriated by the town,	\$200 00	
Highway money paid to treasurer,	88 05	
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		\$288 05
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Unexpended,	\$7	95

## CURRENT EXPENSE AND SUPPORT OF POOR.

Current expense,	\$397 96	
Orders drawn, account of poor,	394 24	
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		\$792 20
Received from Webster, board of Eaton,	\$130 00	
Received from Webster, clothing for Eaton,	2 75	
Due from Dixfield, account of George Blake,	1 65	
Cash from cow sold, paid to treasurer,	23 00	
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		\$157 30
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Total current expense and cost of poor,	\$634 90	
Appropriated,	500 00	
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		Overdrawn, \$134 90

## SCHOOLS.

Salaries of teachers,	\$1,211 80	
Fuel,	54 87	
Carrying scholars,	299 00	
Janitor service,	35 42	
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		\$1,601 09
Appropriated by the town,	\$1,000 00	
Received from school fund and mill tax,	475 02	
Unexpended last year,	218 00	
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		\$1,693 02
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Unexpended,	\$91	93

Repairs on and cleaning school-houses, and supplies for use of schools,	\$28 23
No appropriation.	

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Expended,	\$15 00
Appropriation,	15 00

## LIABILITIES.

Notes bearing interest,	\$4,046 00	
Interest due March 5, 1898,	219 78	
Outstanding town orders,	51 97	
Due for collecting taxes, 1897,	72 84	
For printing town reports, 1897,	16 00	
Outstanding bills other than snow bills (estimated),	50 00	
	————	\$4,456 59

## RESOURCES.

Cash in treasury,	\$552 77	
Due on tax deeds,	60 00	
James Unwin, woodland,	50 00	
Due from collector, 1897,	1,737 04	
Due from state, account of dog licenses (estimated),	85 00	
Due from Dixfield,	1 65	
	————	\$2,486 46

Liabilities above resources,	\$1,970 13
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Respectfully submitted,

H. H. COBURN,

C. M. WASHBURN,

GEORGE E. FOGG,

*Selectmen of Greene.*

# TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 5, 1898.

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## RECEIPTS.

1897.

Cash from Treasurer, 1896,	\$641 73
H. L. Prescott, exchange of cow on farm,	4 00
A. W. Pierce, on order No. 107,	2 00
William Sprague, on account dog licenses,	90 00
Grass on Hawse place,	3 00
O'Brien & Maxwell, liquor kegs sold,	1 33

1898.

Highway tax,	88 05
State Treasurer, on account school fund and mill tax,	475 02
State Treasurer, on account rail- road and telegraph tax,	6 28
State Treasurer, on account dog licenses,	77 95
State Treasurer, on account state aid,	204 00
Town of Webster, on account Eaton,	132 75
George E. Fogg, cow sold from farm,	23 00
G. V. Todd, Collector, bills 1896,	584 99
C. S. Stetson, Collector, bills 1896,	918 90
C. S. Stetson, Collector, bills 1897,	1,904 86
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	\$5,157 86

## EXPENDITURES.

1898.

Paid State tax,	\$857 13	
County tax,	436 58	
State aid,	204 00	
State Treasurer, on account dog licenses,	90 00	
Interest on town debt,	148 46	
Town orders,	2,868 92	
Cash in treasury to balance,	552 77	
	—————	\$5,157 86

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. MOWER,

*Treasurer of Greene.*



# REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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*To the Citizens of Greene :*

In accordance with the provisions of the school laws of the State, I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of Schools for the year just ended.

The number of schools in session the spring term was seven. Schools begun April 26th, and closed June 25th, making a term of nine weeks. The wages paid teachers was six dollars. The fall term the number of schools was also seven. Schools begun September 6th, and closed November 12th, the length of the term being ten weeks. Wages paid was seven dollars with one exception, the pay in that school being five dollars.

The winter term the number of schools was reduced to six. The term begun December 6th, and closed February 4th in all the schools except the Hill, which began and closed one week earlier. Length of term, nine weeks ; wages, seven dollars.

The Richardson School having become too small to be continued with profit, was suspended last spring, and the pupils carried to the Hill School for the entire year. The Cummings School, which had been discontinued, was opened the spring and fall terms, but failing to maintain the necessary average was suspended again during the winter term, and the scholars were carried to the Greene Corner School as before. Scholars from the Stetson School were carried to the Patten School.

The work done in the schools for the past year has been for the most part satisfactory, in some cases especially so. We have been fortunate in securing the services of some of the teachers who have taught in town during the year.

The attendance in most of the schools has been good. In some it should have been better. The trouble in most cases seems to be lack of appreciation of the benefits of school on the

part of both parents and children. In many cases children are kept in school barely the length of time required by law, and removed for the slightest excuse.

There being no appropriation made for repairs on school buildings none were made except those which were unavoidable, and the same is also true of the purchase of supplies.

At the beginning of the year the schools were *very* poorly supplied with books. Of the new ones bought the year before, there were not nearly enough of any kind to supply the schools, and more had to be bought. The contract for the exchange of readers had been made last year and had to be fulfilled, while the arithmetics were in such a condition that new ones were an absolute necessity. Therefore, the expenditure for books has been large, but with the exception of histories the schools are now well supplied with books. More care on the part of parents and teachers as to the usage of books by pupils, would make a saving in expense, and also help children to form a valuable habit. In most cases, however, scholars have shown an interest in keeping the new books covered and looking neat, and teachers have been faithful in endeavoring to encourage efforts in that line.

In conclusion I wish to express my thanks to the people of the town for kindness and accommodation shown me, and to the teachers and scholars for the spirit of friendliness, and the willingness to co-operate with me in the work, which has done much to render our relation a pleasant one during the year that has past.

Respectfully submitted,

MINA MAXWELL COBURN,

*Superintendent of Schools.*