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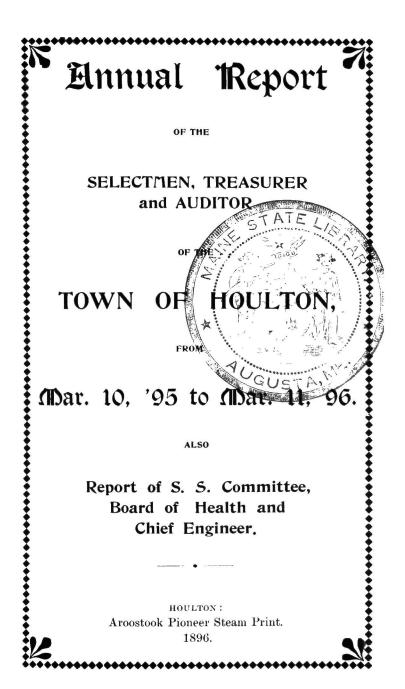
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Selectmen's Report.

Assessment-1895.

State Tax	\$	6,241	53
County Tax		6,728	54
Support of the Poor		2,000	00
Discount, Abatements & Commissions		2,500	00
Interest		2,500	00
Town Officers		1,500	00
Miscellaneous Bills		1,000	00
Schools		5,000	00
Free High School		1,200	00
Repairs on School-houses		500	00
Text Books		750	00
Two new School Buildings and Lots.	•	5,000	00
Bray School-house		150	00
Fire Department and Watchmen		6,000	00
Horses, Hose Wagon, &c., Fire Depar	t-		
ment		1,000	
Hydrants	•	600	
Bridge, foot of Mechanic St		6,000	
Memorial Day		100	· •
Hall, &c., for National Guards		300	
Rocks for Rock Yard		150	
Street Lights	•	1,200	
Roads, Bridges & Sidewalks		1,000	
Clearing Sidewalks in Winter	•	500	
Houlton and Hodgdon Road		1,500	
Mansur Bridge		150	
G_{i} avel Lots		250	
Dykeman Road		300	-
Hackett Road		100	
Hammond Bridge		100	
Cemeteries	•	200	-
Millar and Perks' Sewer	•	125	
Overlayings	•	58	00
	_		\$54,703
Am't of Real Estate \$1,480,141 (00		
Am't of Personal Estate 790,313 (00		
\$2,270,454	00		
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Money Tax.

Tax on Real and Personal Estate	. \$50,404	07
Tax on Polls		
		\$54,703 07

Number of Polls, 1433. Cash Poll Tax, \$3.00. Cash Tax Rate, .0222 on \$1.00.

Highway Tax.

Assessment—Statute Labor Tax on Real and Personal Estate Tax on Polls	6,811 01 1,433 00	8,244 01 8.244 01
– Highway Poll Tax, \$1.00. Highway Tax Rate, .003 on \$1.00. (Statute Labor.)		0,244 01

Am't paid Thos. P. Putnam, Town Treasurer, less 50 per cent discount, Discount on same, 50 per cent				
Cash Road Fund	\$749	43		
Am't paid Thomas P. Putnam, Town Treasurer Am't assigned to Districts			8,244 01	L

Discounts, Abatements and Commissions.

Discounts.

Discount on Taxes paid Thos. P. Put-	
nam, Treasurer, (5 per cent), 1895	\$2,030 74
Discount on Taxes 1893	11 60

_____ 2,042 34

Abatements.

W. A.	Kay, Collector, abatements	. \$	500	00	
Other	abatements		197	70	
					697 70

Commissions.

W. A. Kay, Collector, (part payment),\$	300	00		
Thos. P. Putnam, commission for col- lecting taxes	97	68	397	68
		\$	3,137	72
Am't appropriated\$ Am't overdrawn				
			3,137	72

Interest.

$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$)n	Town	Order	No.	503\$	42	00		
""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	"	"	"	"	464-623-128	157	00		
""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	"	"	"	"	447	157	50		
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" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	**	"	"	"	122	270	00		
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	"	"	"	"	10	41	00		
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	"	"	"	"	447	157	50		
" " Bonds " 1-40 1,600 00 \$ 2,943 Am't appropriated \$ 2,000 00	"	"	"	"	598	35	42		
Am't appropriated	"	"	"	"	544-594	57	33		
Am't appropriated	• 6	"	Bonds	"	1-40	1,600	00		
Am't appropriated							\$	2,943	33
Am't overdrawn 943 33	Am	't app	ropriat	ted.		2,000	00		
	Am	't ove	rdrawr			943	33		
					_	<u></u>		2,943	33

Pauper Account.

Paupers off of the Farm.

JUDITH B. PIKE.

Maine Insane Hospital, board, &c.... \$ 148 63

MRS. CHAS. McDONALD AND FAMILY.

A. H. Berry, supplies	\$ 2 59	
J. A. Millar, "		
Alex. Wilson, tickets	7 50	
T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance.	15 00	
Geo. Cary, " "	3 00	
-		31 07

F. McDONALD.

C. E. Williams, medical attendance	9 75
FANNIE GRANT'S CHILD. Mrs. A. Snell, care, &c	2 50
MRS. BEECHER GELLERSON. Mary A. Rideout, nursing	8 00
CHARLES WARD. J. A. Millar, supplies	1 38
ANNIE KEEN. T. S. Dickison, medical attendance \$11 00 C. E. Williams, """ 1 00 Keaton & Bradbury, casket	29 00

(\$7.00 of this bill was paid out of estate.)

JOSIAH R. DAVIS.

Annie Sherwood, board, &c	\$1 4	29		
Alex. Wilson, ticket	9	00		
C. E. Williams, medical attendance	5	00		
			$28 \ 2$	9

(This bill has been paid by Town of Searsport.)

ALLEN KNOX.

H. T. Frisbie, supplies	95	
Alex. Wilson, cash	1 00	
T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical atterdance	1 00	
Keaton & Bradbury, casket	18 00	
Martin Lawlis, attending funeral	3 00	
R. B. Burleigh, board, &c	$2 \ 00$	
		$25 \ 95$

WILLIAM MARKEE AND FAMILY.

C. P. Tenney & Son, supplies	$2 \ 00$
Martin Lawlis, attending funeral	3 00
T J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance.	$4 \ 00$
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JOHN HICKEY AND FAMILY.

J. C. Harrigan, supplies	\$ 2	57		
F. W. Titcomb, lumber	130	04		
C. H. Wilson, supplies	9	00		
Daniel Astle, labor				
R. L. Turney, hardware		68		
T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance	5	00		
,			188	74

CLAUDE GREEN.

F. W. Titcomb, supplies, &c	100 27
(This bill has been paid by Town of Blaine.)	

THOMAS D. HAMILTON.

C.	E. Williams,	medical	attendance	5	6	0
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JOHN BURNS.	
C. E. Williams, medical attendance	3 50
JOSIE CHOATE (GOULD).	
C. E. Williams, medical attendance	10 00
JERRY CRONIN AND FAMILY.	
Calvin Quint, wood \$2 25	
S. Friedman & Co., clothing 2 25	4 50
JERRY ITALIAN'S FAMILY.	
J. C. Harrigan, supplies	
T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance \$10 00	13 00
O. KANE'S CHILD.	69
H. T. Frisbie, supplies	63
MR. MORROW.	
J. H. Sinclair, ticket home	1 35
MR. MCNELLY.	
J. H. Sinclair, ticket home	60
H. LESTER.	
J. H. Sinclair, ticket home	2 20
M. J. DOODY.	
J. H. Sinclair, ticket home	3 60
WILLIAM PICKETT.	
C. E. Williams, medical attendance	2 00
GEO. W. COLE AND FAMILY.	
H. C. Bradbury, supplies	5 00

REPORT OF SELECTMEN OF HOULTON.	7
RIDEOUT FAMILY. T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance	2 00
WILLIAM SMITH. T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance \$2 00 Geo. Cary, ""300	5 00
GEO. MARSHALL. W. A. Kay, meals	50
	0(7
JAMES NORMAN. W. A. Kay, meals	50
ANDREW DOHERTY.	
W. A. Kay, meals	25
WM. MARONY'S CHILD.	
J. M. Rice, casket, box and robe \$16 00 M. Lawlis, digging grave, &c 3 00.	19 00
MINNIE BRIGGS.	
Martin Lawlis, attending funeral \$3 00 T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance 1 00	4 0 0
CARRIE TOLIN.	
R. B. Burleigh, board 1 00	
T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance 1 00	2 00
	2 00
ROBERT HIGGINS.	
J. N. Clark, team	1 00
PATRICK CASS.	
F. W. Titcomb, board, nursing, &c \$65 30	
Keaton & Bradbury, casket	
	86 30

10 00
75
75
3 10
100 07
133 07
1 50
9-25
11 74
4 00
4 00

9
44
11 70
4 75
2 75
1 00
4 75
6 00
32 00
2 50
1 78
3 00
5 94
27 0

JAMES BROWN.		
R. B. Burleigh, board, &c\$1 00Town Treasurer, ticket home2 00	2	00
(\$2.00 of this bill has been paid by J. Brow		00
L. M. WYMAN.		
R. B. Burleigh, board, &c	1	00
MRS. R. W. GRATZ. T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance	10	00
BOARDMAN McDONALD. T. J. Fitzmaurice, medical attendance	20	00
I. K. MAXWELL. M. D. Putnam, ticket home	2	25
TRANSIENT PAUPER. R. B. Burleigh, meals	5	75
SOL FINDLAN. Cash	1	00
LUCY STEPHENSON. Expenses home	1	00
MR. WILLETTE. Geo. Cary, medical attendance	9	00
GEO. CALVIN. Geo. Cary, medical attendance	4	00
CALVIN BURPEE. Geo. Cary, medical attendance	3	00
-	\$1,096	41

		Town of Blaine		$\frac{77}{29}$		
• 6	61	" " Danforth	47	21		
		James Brown		00		
		Estate of Mrs. Keen		00	215	27
Total	ez	pense of paupers off of the farm			\$881	14

Names of Paupers on the Farm.

		λGE.
Henry Burpee	.52	years.
Mary Wilson	. 41	·
Henry Willette	.15	64
James Brown	.75	44
John Donovan		٠.
Carrie B. Tolin	.20	"
Mike Kearney		"
Carrie Tolin's child. Born March 7, '96,	4	days.

Names of Paupers who have been Kept on the Farm the Past Year, Discharged or Died.

John Smith, Garret Pierce, John Reynolds, Fred Williams, Joseph Clark, George Calvin, Robert Higgins, Mike Foley, Llewellyn Wyman, Mike Foly.

Town Farm.

J.	А.	Browne, supplies\$	20	58
H.	୍.).	Berry, filing saws, &c		65

A. H. Berry & Son, supplies	10 11
John Buchanan, blacksmithing	9-86
N. S. Drake, beef	1 73
James H. Deasy, beef and turkey	7 00
T. J. Fitzmaurice, medica services	15 00
A. H. Fogg & Co., hardware, &c	59.98
S. Friedman, supplies	$19 \ 47$
H. T. Frisbie, "	3 15
Kenneth Gilbert, labor	3 00
S. A. Gray, supplies	$7^{-}08$
Gentle & Ludwig, insurance	63 00
J. C. Harrigan, supplies	14 14
G. L. Hammond, pasturing	2 80
F. F. Innis, seed	$10 \ 00$
Martin Lawlis, team	1 00
Lane & Pearce, supplies	20/20
Monahan Bros., "	$2^{-}55$
W. Mansur, repairs	$2 \ 10$
John A. Millar, supplies	31 85
E. Merritt & Sons, "	$48 \ 74$
Laurel Monson, "	19 81
J. H. McPartland, labor, &c	$17 \ 15$
O. Newhouse, supplies	6 19
W. A. Nickerson, supplies	2 03
M. Oldenburg, team	1 00
James Owens, labor	9 50
M. D. Putnam, onions	1 60
Page & Madigan, corn, &c	19 81
Oscar Shirley, pigs	6 00
E. M. Smith, fertilizer	64 00
D. Sheehan. repairs, &c	$17 \ 05$
G. S. Stultz, labor	7 25
A. P. M. Taber, blacksmithing	576
R. L. Turney, hardware	$29 \ 38$
C. P. Tenney & Son, supplies	10 84
W. R. Whitney, use of horse	$10 \ 00$
Wingate & Thorn, supplies	3 50
John Watson, hardware	1 63
C. H. Wilson, supplies	$48 \ 85$
Hamilton Yerxa, Overseer	312 00

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Town Farm Account.

То	Dr			
1 horse\$	80	00		
1 colt—4 years old	125	00		
3 swine	25	00		
3 cows	80	00		
1 heifer-2 years old	15	00		
1 heifer—1 year old	8	00		
Grain	60	00		
Hay and straw	150	00		
Provisions	25	00		
Potatoes	90	00		
Tools, wagons, furniture, &c	450	00	1,108	00

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Вх	Cr			
1 horse	5 125	00		
1 horse	60	00		
1 colt-1 year old	30	00		
2 swine	20	00		
3 cows	75	00		
1 heifer—3 years old	20	00		
1 heifer—1 year old	8	00		
Grain	50	00		
Hay and straw	100	00		
Provisions	25	00		
Potatoes	80	00		
Tools, wagons, furniture, &c	470	00		
Potatoes sold	59	65		
Butter sold	10	00		
Full sold	8	00		
Received from J. Higgins, for board	3	00	1,143	65
-			\$ 916	09
E pense of paupers off of the farm\$	881	11		
t	916	_		
" " on the farm	910	09	1,797	92
A wount more and a			202	
A nount unexpended			 	
			\$ 2,000	00

Amount appropriated...... \$2,000 00

Several tons of Hay have been hauled from the Farm to Stable for the Fire Department.

Roads, Bridges & Sidewalks.

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Isaiah Auber, labor\$	-	00
Wilmot Brewer, labor	193	
Wilmot Brewer, cash paid for labor	20	-
Thomas Benson, labor	94	
H. O. Berry, filing saws	4	25
E. A. Bamford, labor	10	50
John Buchanan, blacksmithing	3	00
Billings & Watts, curbing	133	22
P. Cassidy, labor	28	70
J. N. Clark, "	13	00
J. C. Carpenter, surveying	3	00
B. A. Donovan, labor	8	25
John H. Dunphy, labor	4	42
Wm. Dobson, " T. J. Donovan, "	5	$\overline{50}$
T. J. Donovan. "	35	00
A. H. Fogg & Co., hardware	52	20
Geo. A. Gerow, labor	6	37
O. C. Grant, " "	4	00
S. A. Gray, supplies		50
John Hickey, labor	165	64
H. R. Helms, trucking	14	65
Ambrose Haley, labor	6	75
G. L. Hammond, lumber	116	• •
Isaac Harper, labor		$\overline{75}$
J. D. Hackett. "	14	
John Harper. "		60
J. D. Hackett, " John Harper, " W. E. Hovey, " Barnard Kirlin, "	2	00
Barnard Kirlin. "	$\tilde{64}$	-
Patrick McQuade, labor		00
Walter Mansur, cash paid out and	Ū	00
labor	112	00
G. W. Milbery, labor.	102	
W. J. McPherson, trucking	102	
E. Merritt & Sons, labor	46	
12. morriso & Dons, Rabor	40	90

Maxim Morreau, labor	1	25		
W. W. McDonald, blacksmithing		$\frac{20}{75}$		
C. E. Owen, drain		00		
James Peters, labor		88		
Peter Plant, "		00		
Stephen Pullen, "		00		
S. F. Peabody, "		50		
W. H. Putnam, gravel		00		
S. H Powers, sleepers		00		
J. D. Ross, labor		00		
Wm. L. Roach, labor		75		
G B Smith "	115			
G. B. Smith, " M. H. Small, " G. W. Small, "		60		
C W Small "		35		
S. H. Sincock, Jr., lumber	639			
James Smith. labor	48			
S. C. Spratt, cash paid out		50		
C. A. Smith, labor		60		
Chas E E Stataon surveying		00		
Chas. E. F. Stetson, surveying	43			
S. W. Taber, labor	-	40 95		
S. Tupper, "	393			
F. W. Titcomb, lumber		40 89		
R. L. Turney, hardware	-	09 75		
James Wiley, labor	0 31			
Alex. Wilson, labor, &c				
John Watson, hardware, &c	199			
M. Wilson, lumber	57			
J. W. Wiley, labor	18			
Albert Wilson, "		82		
C. W. Whitney, gravel	16			
W. R. Yerxa, trucking	51			
S. Yerxa, "	1	00	മറ വാന	90
		-	3,207	0
Amount emmanisted	1 000	00		
Amount appropriated\$	749	42		
" overdrawn	1,457	90	\$3,207	36
			Ψ0,201	00

Sidewalk Fund (Winter.)

John Watson, hardware..... \$ 1 50

				_
Wilmot Brewer, cash paid for labor		00		
G. B. Hunter, labor		00		
A. H. Fogg & Co., showels	-	00		
W. R. Yerxa, labor	44	¶	; 103	80
Amount unexpended			400	
		1	504	00
Amount appropriated	\$500	00		
" paid Treasurer by W. Brewer	4	00		
-		\$	504	00
Iron Bridge at Foot of M	echanic	: St.		
Berlin Iron Bridge Co., building bridge			\$9,000	(0)
Amount appropriated paid by Proprietors of "High-	\$6,000	00	<i>"-</i> ,	
lands"	3,000	00		
-			\$9,000	00
Mansur Bridge.				
Fred F. Pennington, labor	\$10	50		
James Robertson, "		50 50		
S. F. Peabody, "		50		
M. C. Brewer, "		50		
J. B. Brewer, "		50		
Levi Bickford, "		00		
-			5 75	50
Amount unexpended			74	50
		1	§ 150	00
Amount appropriated	\$150	00		
Hammond Bridg	· A			
Patrick Cassidy, cash paid out and				
labor	\$71	67		
Amount unexpended		33		
			100	00
Amount appropriated		5	b 100	00
		ब	p 100	00

Houlton and Hodgdon Road.

John G.	Peabody, labor	\$ 2	50		
Geo. W.	Small, labor and materials	-1,500	00		
Chas, E.	F. Stetson, surveying	8	00		
		,		\$1,510	50
Amount	appropriated	\$1,500	00	. ,	
	overdrawn		50		
	-			\$1,510	50

Dykeman Road.

	nall, labor, &c	\$151 8	$\frac{20}{00}$		
				\$159 140	
Amount app	ropriated			\$300 \$300	

Hackett Road.

J. C. Carpenter, surveying	\$ 4 50		
Amount unexpended	95 50		
*		\$1 00	00
Amount appropriated		\$100	00

Gravel Lots.

Thomas Travis, gravel lot	. \$ 50 00		
Amount unexpended	. 200 00		
*		\$250	00
Amount appropriated	•	\$250	00

Rocks for County Work Yard.

Geo. W. Milbery,	rocks	\$49 70
James Smith	"	3 50
O. S. Brown,	"	$2 \ 00$
Geo. W. Small,	"	30 00
W. H. Putnam,	•• • • • • • • • • • • •	$15 \ 00$
Robert Gallagher,	"	15 00
J. D. Hackett,	"	17 50
A. K. Bradford,	"	$10 \ 00$

J. A. Donovan, " 10 00	\$152 70
Amount appropriated \$150 00	φ192 <i>1</i> 0
" overdrawn	\$1 52 70

There are about 250 loads of broken rock in the yard.

Memorial Day.

\mathbf{A} mount	appropriated	\$100	00
6 6	paid G. A. R	\$100	00

Cemeteries.

J. H. McPartland, labor, &c Sherman Tupper, "	\$ 59 0 1 0		
Martin Lawlis, cash paid for labor and use of teams	119 8	7 - \$179	0.0
Amount unexpended		- #179 20	
		\$200	00

Appropriation should be large enough so that a fence can be built around the cemetery on Military and White Settlement Roads.

Hall and Lockers for National Guards.

F. M. Hume, Cap Amount unexpend	t. Co. ·'L"	\$375 25			
	-	<u> </u>		\$400	00
Amount appropria	ated	\$300			
" received	from State	100	00		
	-			\$400	00

Electric Lights.

E. Merritt & Sons, lights Houlton Electric Co., ligh E. Woodbury & Co., "	ts	["] 1,174	50		
•				\$1,201	50
Amount appropriated " overdrawn	• • • • • • • • • • • •	· 1	50	തർ റെട	.
				\$1,201	50

Millar and Perks' Sewer.

Amount	appropriated	\$125	00
"	paid J. A. Millar, sewer	\$125	00

Miscellaneous Bills.

Aroostook County, rent of Lockup		
(2 years)\$	50	00
Wilmot Brewer, labor	105	28
P. N. Burleigh, surveying	22	75
Wilmot Brewer, cash paid out	10	00
J. A. Browne, supplies		55
Theo. Cary, printing	24	50
F. L. Cook, books, &c	25	92
M. M. Clark, 359 certificates births		
and deaths (3 years)	35	90
L. E. Chandler, labor	10	
Chadwick & Wiggins, lumber	1	· ·
James Dempsey, trucking		00
A. H. Fogg & Co., hardware	_	95
T. J. Fitzmaurice, 69 certificates		25
James Gillin, Jr., stamps and cards	-	00
W. S. Gilman & Son, printing	153	27
A. W. Gidney, building and running		
ferry	17	
S. A. Gray, supplies		50
Houlton Water Co., water	-	75
Elias Hiscock, services as policeman		00
John Hickey, labor	-	38
J. D. Hackett, labor	1	50

A. P. Heywood, rent of Hall	20 (ю		
Isaac M. Harper, labor	2			
Jerre Italian,	2 6			
W. A. Kay, police, No.	2.			
E. H. Kidder, enrolling militia	25 (
Kenton & Bradbury, furniture, &c.	37			
	3 (
Martin Lawlis, labor		00		
books	16 (10		
S. C. Miller, clerical work	100 (
	6 2			
F. A. Nevers, 25 certificates	16 (
H. M. Orriss, binding books Don A. H. Powers, services as Moder-	10 0	00		
	76 (00		
ator and Attorney	30 4			
C. J. Peters & Son, engravings	3 (
M. Philbrick, labor	8 2			
H. L. Putnam, 33 certificates	20 (
J. W. Porter, sheep destroyed	13 (
A. P. Perkins, police duty, &c	19 (00		
Powers & Powers, professional ser-	100	00		
vices	128			
Thos. P. Putnam, postage, &c	14			
J. E. Robinson, telephone	17			
A. B. Sparrow, book		<u>75</u>		
O. M. Smith, books	10			
C. A. Swett, labor	17			
Smith Bros., supplies	$\frac{2}{10}$			
A. S. Savage, she p destroyed	10			
R. L. Turney, hardware	4			
Chas. P. Tenney & Son, supplies	10			
Jacob White, labor	21			
Mellom L. Wallace, weather reports	2			
C. E. Williams, 26 certificates	+	50		
E. B. White, care of clock	26			
Alex. Wilson, grapple		50		
W. R. Yerxa, trucking		25		
Wm. & Amelia York, for injury,.	25			aa
-			\$1,180	62
Amount appropriated	\$1.000	00		
" overdrawn	180	62		
			\$1,180	62
			φ1,100	04

Fire Department and Watch-

men.

R. Anderson, trucking\$	2	00
Bangor Extension Ladder Co., hose		
wagon Wilmot Brewer, labor	425	00
Wilmot Brewer, labor	100	58
E. A. Bamford, trucking	5	00
Isaac Berry, brick	20	00
J. A. Browne, supplies	2	75
Bangor Fire Department, repairs	15	00
Jonathan Benn, wood	9	00
Berry & Buzzell, team	2	00
Al. Chamberlain, labor	410	90
Chadwick & Wiggin, lumber	141	57
L. E. Chandler, labor	91	70
Robert Currie, "	15	95
Robert Currie, " Thomas Coombs, "		50
Frederick Crawford, labor		50
James Cogan, harnesses and repairs	89	20
C. P. R'y Co., freight	40	00
W. N. Carpenter, oats	18	50
James Callahan, wood	26	25
J. Dempsey, trucking	13	00
M. C. Foster & Son, labor	18	64
Firemen, 25 men	1,250	00
A. D. Fairley, labor	1	50
A. H. Fogg & Co., hardware	145	67
W. R. Faulkner, labor	9	00
H. T. Frisbie, supplies	6	60
W. G. Goodale, trucking	15	00
S. A. Gray, supplies	5	05
H. D. Hagerman, labor	2	00
H. R. Helms, trucking	13	50
L. A. Hill, shingles	40	00
Isaac Harper, labor	2	50
Houlton Electric Co., wiring, &c	15	00
Hook & Ladder Co., 15 men	375	00
In Howard, labor	1	
Houlton Water Co., rent of hydrants.	2,287	65
J. C. Harrigan, trucking	2	00

John Hickey, labor	1	25
Wm. Ingraham, labor	10	00
David Keaton, straw	5	03
W. A. Kay, services as Engineer	50	00
Keaton & Bradbury. furniture	8	62
M. Lawlis, board of horses, &c	8	00
H. Longstaff, labor	1	00
W. Mansur, "	13	40
E. Merritt & Sons, supplies	68	
Manchester Locomotive Works, repairs	1,104	
W. W. McDonald, blacksmithing	1,101	
J. H. McPartland, labor. &c	-	85
Robert Neal, labor	-	50
A. P. Perkins, Deputy Sheriff, 2 horses	150	
P. J. Perry, trucking	$\tilde{2}$	
M. D. Putnam, shingles	22	00
M. D. Putnam, shinglesJohn J. Royal, belt, &c	1	25
Geo. W. Small, labor	4	00
James H. Sinclair, watchman, &c	458	54
B. A. Small, ladders	30	58
Chas. A. Swett, labor and cash paid out	415	
Smith Bros., supplies	19	
D. Sheehan, repairs	21	
M. H. Small, trucking	7	00
G. L. Slipp, labor		00
Geo. H. Taber, labor	20	
E. H. Tupper, "	4	00
S. W. Taber, "	23	
R. L. Turney, hardware	75	
F. W. Titcomb, lumber	1	-
A. P. M. Taber, blacksmithing	11	-
Alex. Wilson, straw	9	-
John Watson, hardware	220	• -
S. C. Webber, Watchman, &c	458	
S. C. Webber, Chief Engineer		00
M. Wilson, lumber	165	
Wingate & Thorn, supplies	22	
W. R. Yerxa, trucking	50	
Spurgeon Yerxa, labor	3	00

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Amount	appropriated	\$7,600 1,558	0 0 34		
	-			\$9,158	34

\$1,144.68 of the above amount were expended for freight. and repairs on steamer, and \$1,000.00 of above amount were expended in building stable for horses, and wood-shed and enlarging buildings for the department, and National Guards, which was necessary to be done, and for which there was no appropriation, which accounts for the overdraw.

Schools.

Allyn & Bacon, books \$	17 00
American Express Co., express	$12 \ 15$
American Book Co., books	$202 \ 71$
Fred Anderson, Janitor	11 05
Effie E. Astle, teaching	66 00
Richard Anderson, trucking	2 50
Wm. M. Atchison, labor	38 30
Frank Auber, Janitor	7 00
Allen M. Bachelder, Janitor	145 13
Katherine Berry, teaching	263 00
Isaac Berry, brick	6 00
Hattie Bean, labor	10 00
E. E. Babb & Co., books	5 50
Sadie Belongie, labor	4 00
Mrs. E. Brown, "	5 00
E. H. Butler & Co., books	6 67
John Conlogue, wood, &c	21 00
Alice G. Cassidy, teaching	252,00
Vesta Chadwick, "	-201 75
Wm. Cogan, labor	28 50
James Callaghan, wood	$23 \ 00$
Theo. Cary, printing,	1 50
Ella M. Cassidy, teaching	114 75
May E. Cosseboom, "	75 00
James Deasy, wood	46 15
Mariana Donovan, teaching	$179 \ 65$
Annie G. Donovan, "	$-252 \ 00$
Wm. C. Donnell, insurance,	103 55

Harry Desmond, labor	7 50
Mrs. J. Daigle, " Wm. Dobson, "	4 00
Wm. Dobson, "	12 00
Alberta M. DeGrass, teaching	58 50
Mrs. J. Foster, labor	9 00
A. H. Fogg & Co., hardware	58 55
Ira Foster, janitor	3 85
L. M. Felch, books	$72 \ 11$
H. T. Frisbie, supplies	252
A. W. Grant, labor	8 00
Ginn & Co., books	125 28
Enoch A. Grant, labor	4 00
Annie D. Glenn, teaching	182 35
Abbie I. Griffin, " Edward Gordon, labor	224 00
Edward Gordon, labor	48 30
W. S. Gilman & Son, printing	14 87
S. A. Gray, supplies	3 50
Richard E. Grant, labor	1 10
D. A. Gammon, books	6 50
Houlton Sewerage Co., sewer	154 00
Houlton Water Co., water	303 75
S. H. Hanson, labor	20 00
J. L. Hammett, books	23 00
B. T. Hussey, wood, &c	16 30
Lizzie E. Hogan, teaching	219 65
Annie M. Haskell, "	218 85
Geo. L. Hammond, wood	2 00
J. L. Hammett, books, &c	37 45
Albert Hogan, wood	15 37
Dan. Iott, Janitor	$\begin{array}{r} 365 \hspace{0.1cm} 10 \\ 50 \hspace{0.1cm} 00 \end{array}$
F. H. Inghram, wood W. H. Jordan, "	6 00
A. O. Jones, desks	2 00
John Kingdon, Janitor	57 00
Keaton & Bradbury, supplies	6 00
D. H. Knowlton, engravings, &c	8 75
King & Merrill, books	8 55
Annie A. Longfellow, teaching	121 00
Lillian V. Lougee. "	241 00
Frank Lowery, wood	39 60
Lillian V. Lougee, " Frank Lowery, wood Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, books	75 00
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J. H. Mcl'artland, material and labor.	91	85
Geo. W. Moore, wood	20	50
Sarah E. Mulherrin, teaching	251	75
Josephine A. Mulherrin, teaching	227	85
John McCue, labor	24	
Geo. McNair, " F. McDonald, "	35	35
F. McDonald, "	- 3	25
Walter McFarlin, wood	19	50
M. C. Niles, Janitor	26	75
H. M. Orriss, binding	17	85
Benj. Parks, labor	3	00
H. L. Putnam, supplies	67	55
Ira J. Porter, wood, &c	30	60
John Porter, Janitor	7	05
Margaret A. Porter, teaching	255	53
Alice M. Porter, " Annie Pennington, "		50
Annie Pennington, "		50
Stephen Pullen, labor	11	25
W. H. Putnam, sand Augustus Parks, Janitor	8	00
	7	70
Piqua School Furniture Co., furniture	212	11
Alice E. Roach, teaching	261	75
John M. Rice, furniture	. 2	40
Ida M. Record, teaching	104	50
Georgia Robbins,	177	50
John Savoy, Jr., labor	7	50
Jennie Snow, teaching	113	00
O. M. Smith, supplies	4	75
Ava A. Stewart, teaching	71	50
Albert Shepherd, labor	9	00
M. H. Small, stone	1	50
Chas. H. Shaw, wood	1	00
John Smith, labor	34	
Smith Bros., supplies	42	58
Irma L. Smith, teaching	42	00
J. M. Seely, labor	3	50
Thompson, Brown & Co., books	27	36
John Toland, labor	8	25
S. W. Taber, repairs	1	10
Jacob W. Terrill, Janitor	2	45
F. W. Titcomb, lumber	5	77

R. L. Turney, hardware	16	85		
A. M. Thomas, books	10	00		
University Pub. Co., books	50	00		
Jacob White, labor	3	50		
F. S. White, teaching	75	35		
John Watson, hardware	277	06		
W. S. Webb, teaching	750	00		
Wingate & Thorn, supplies	9	50		
C. H. Wilson, "		75		
Weener Co., books	75	00		
W. R. Yerxa, freight, &c	89	16		
-		<u> </u>	\$9,033	18
Amount due town March 10, 1895			521	08
" unexpended				01
		-	\$9,610	27
Amount appropriated	\$6,250	00		
" received from State	3,327	37		
" " for books and tuition				
-			\$9,610	27

Fair Street School House.

	105 50
John J. Astle, labor\$	$107 \ 70$
J. L. Astle, labor	$67 \ 35$
Joseph Anderson, trucking	2 15
Isaac Berry, brick	112 90
E. Briggs, trucking	$11 \ 65$
Harry Barnard, labor	$101 \ 13$
Billings & Watts, Granite	$2 \ 85$
E. A. Bamford, trucking	$2 \ 10$
Wm. F. Burtt, use of right of way	10 00
J. F. Blair, labor	$2 \ 00$
Harry Conners, labor	7 50
Robert Currie, labor	28 00
Tim Callahan, labor	$12 \ 00$
Chadwick & Wiggins, lumber, &c	339 24
Wm. Cogan, labor	36 65
L. Carpenter, labor	6 00

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John Currie, labor	26	25
W. M. Chandler, iron work	36	28
John Cooper, labor	10	85
Jim Callahan, labor		75
Daniel Conlogue, painting	78	15
B. F. Clifford, labor	19	00
F. L. Cook, window shades	18	00
Chas. Duplissa, labor	22	50
Alonzo Esty, labor	29	25
Thomas Flint, labor	19	52
Oscar C. Grant, labor	63	64
Mrs. D. B. Gillin, lumber	58	37
Robert Gillin, lumber	19	65
Edward Gordon, labor	131	12
Harry Hart, labor	65	01
John D. Hackett, rocks	198	00
J. Alton Hallett, labor	27	00
George Higgins, labor	54	70
James Hanagan, labor	100	46
Walter Hay, lumber	22	50
G. B. Hunter, labor	-22	28
L. A. Hill, shingles	100	00
Daniel Iott, labor	51	45
Harry Kinney, labor	10	50
John A. Kearney, labor	43	70
8. McDonald, labor	3	75
Harry McCrea, labor	4	37
James McDonald, labor	75	45
James McPartland, plumbing	550	00
J. D. Nelson, surveying	10	5 0
Stephen Pullen, labor	5	63
Fred Pomroy, labor	107	93
W. H. Putnam, sand	53	50
S. H. Peters, labor	2	80
G. W. Peters, labor	23	29
Chas. Reed, labor	11	55
F. M. Russell, labor	11	25
John Stair, labor	2	25
LeBaron Smith, labor	26	78
James Sullivan, labor	7	50
S. H. Sincock, Jr., lumber	559	61
Albert Shepard, labor	53	62
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James Swim, labor	46	62		
Chas. H. Smith, labor	253	48		
R. L. Turney, hardware	72	97		
John H. Toland, labor	9	75		
Wingate & Thorn, hardware	17	50		
John Watson, hardware	126	52		
Frank Wakefield, labor	66	53		
W. R. Yerxa, trucking and freight	70	45		
John G. Chadwick, plans	35	00		
Patrick Cassidy, gravel	38	00		
Chadwick & Wiggins, lumber, &c	12	36		
M. C. Foster & Son, labor, &c	30	50		
A. H. Fogg & Co., materials	316	98		
Horton Bros., labor	52	00		
James H. McPartland, plumbing	247	65		
Fred Pomroy, labor	6	12		
R. C. Pingree & Co., books	261	32		
Mrs. L. C. Raymond, land	1,225	00		
John M. Rice, furniture	6	00		
C. H. Smith, labor	38	00		
Smith Bros., supplies	12	00		
John Watson, hardware	103	07		
Frank Wakefield, labor	8	10		
Wingate & Thorn, supplies	30	00		
······			\$6,673	85

School Lot Pleasant St.

James Archibald, land			500	00
		-	\$7,173	85
Am't appropriated (annual meeting) " (special meeting) " Insurance from Hill School House " unexpended	\$5,000 1,500 700	00	26	15
(See S. S. Com. Report.)	\$7,200	00	\$7,200	00

Free High School.

Ricker Classical Institute, tuition			\$1,450	00
Amount appropriated	\$1.200	00	*-)·	
" received from State				
			\$1,450	00
Bray School H	Ious	ie.	# = j = 0 0	
John Smith, moving building	\$75			
" " labor	41			
L. C. Moore, land				
Putnam & Putnam, services				
			\$150	00
Amount appropriated,			\$150	
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Town Offic				
Michael M. Clark, Selectman, Overse				
of the Poor, Assessor, Hig	$\stackrel{h}{\longrightarrow}$ \$50	0 00	)	
way Surveyor, and Tow	vn { " · ·		-	
Clerk, and Clerk hire.	J	<u> </u>	<b>`</b>	
Alexander Wilson, (Selectmen, Oversee				
d of Poor, Assessors	*& <b>} \$1</b> 5	0 00	)	
Mellen D. Putnam, (Highway Surveyor	rs. )	0.00		
Harry L. Putnam, Supervisor				
Geo. A. Gorham, Auditor		0 00		
Thomas P. Putnam, Treasurer		5 00		
R. W. Shaw, Town Agent		0 00		
A. B. Smart. Truant Officer		5 00		
Maurice Hayes, Constable		5 00		
C. E. Williams, Board of Health		5 00	)	
T. J. Fitzmaurice, Board of Health, (y				
<b>1894</b> & ' <b>9</b> 5)	•••	7 00		
A. B. Smart, Board of Health	6	0 00		• •
			-\$1,797	00
Amount appropriated	\$1,50	0 00	)	
" overdrawn	29	7 00		• •
			-\$1,797	00
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Orders Drawn	•			
Discounts, Abatements & Commissions	\$3,137	72		
Interest		33		
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Interest and a second s	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1,010	00
Paupers off of th	Farm	1,096	41
Town Farm		951	74
Roads, Bridges an	Sidewalks	3,207	36

Sidew	alks	s (wi	nter).				103	80		
Iron 1	Brid	ge, fo	ot Me	chanie	3 St	<b></b>	9,000	00		
Mans	ur B	ridge					75	50		
Ham	Lond	l Bri	dge				71	67		
Hoult	on a	ind H	Iodgdo	n Ro	ad		1,510	50		
			d				159	<b>20</b>		
							4	50		
								00		
Rocks	s for	Cour	nty Wo	ork Y	ard		152	70		
Memo	rial	Day					100	00		
							179	92		
Hall a	and I	Locke	ers for	Natio	onal G	uards	375	00		
Electi	ic L	ights					1,201			
Milla	and	l Per	ks' Sev	wer			125	00		
Misce	llane	eous	Bills				1,180	62		
Fire I	Depa	rtmei	nt and	Wate	hmen		9,158	34		
Schoo	ls						9,033	18		
New 8	Scho	ol Bu	ilding	and	Lots.		7,173	85		
Free 2	Higl	n Sch	ool				1,450	00		
			ouse				150	00		
Town	Offi	cers.					1,797	00		
Temp	orar	y Lo	ans				54,500	00		
_						_		\$1	07,288	84
Numb	er o	f ord	ers, 76	$7, \mathrm{am}$	't of s	ame		<b>\$1</b> (	07,288	84
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Outstanding claims estimated	400		\$67,396	10
			\$01.090	137
Cosh in Transury	<b>5.</b> 848	20		
Cash in Treasury\$ Uncollected taxes	11.838			
Tax Deeds	37	-		
Note of O. and F. Hanning		19		
Outstanding claims, estimated			\$13,034	38
Excess of Liabilities			\$54.361	81
""""1895			49,923	41
			\$4,438	40
Farm buildings, farm and wood lot.	\$5,500	00		
Stock, furniture, tools, hay & grain,	1,063			
Highway tools and road machines	750	00		
Hearse	500	00		
Gravel lots	250	00		
Town buildings and lot	5,700	00		
Lumber, wood, coal and rocks Engines, hose, ladders, horses, &c., fire	125	00		
department	8,500	00		
2			\$22,388	00
Amount of Resources brought forward			\$13,034	38
			\$35,422	38
School property			39,000	
		•	\$74,422	38
Liabilities			67,396	
<b>Resources</b> in excess of all liabilities Mch '	96		\$7,026	19
«« «« «« «« «« «« «« »«	95		$2,\!459$	
			\$4,566	60

## Collector's and Treasurer's Account.

THOMAS P. PUTNAM, Treasurer, In Account with the Town of Houlton. 1895.

Dec. 31, To Non Resident Taxes of

1894 Returned by W. A. Kay, CollectorCR.	\$33	07
By Am't collected on same\$ 9 45" Balance uncollected23 62	ድንባ	07
1896.	\$33	07
March 10, To Balance 1894 Non Resi- dent Taxes as above	<b>\$</b> 23	62
W. A. KAY, Collector, In Account with the Town of Houlton.		
1895.		
March 10, To Balance Taxes 1893 \$1,550 00 " " 1894 4,859 26	<i><b><i><b>6</b></i> 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6</b></i>	
" Interest on Taxes	\$6,409 27	
" Interest on Taxes		90
	\$6,437	16
Cr.		
By Paid to Treasurer \$4,727 47 "Balance Uncollected 1,709 69		
	\$6,437	16
1896. March 10, To Balance Taxes of 1894	\$1,709	60
	φ1,103	03
THOMAS P. PUTNNM as Collector, In Account with the Town of Houlton		
1896.	•	
Jan. 1, To Uncollected Taxes of 1895 CR.	\$14,088	15
By collected and pd. into Treas-		
ury by Thos. P. Putnam\$ 3,907 55		
By J. H. Sinclair		
	•	
\$ 3,982 55 Balance uncollected 10,105 60		
	<b>\$14,</b> 088	15
1896.	### <u>}</u> ~00	
March 10, To Balance Taxes 1895	\$10,105	60

## Treasurer's Report.

THOMAS P. PUTNAM, Treasurer, In account with the Town of Houlton. 1895. March 11, To Balance Cash in Treasury \$669 95 " Uncollected Taxes 1893 & 1894.... 6,409 26 .\$ 7,079 21 " Town of Danforth for supplies to L. Hall & family 47 21 " Town of Blaine for supplies to Claude Green . . . 130 77 " Town of Searsport for supplies to J. R. Davis.... 28 29 " James Brown Ret'd for ticket home..... 2 00" Town of Hodgdon, Tuition of Scholars..... 28 00 4 90 " Sale of School Books... " Estate Mrs. Keen for sale of 2 pigs..... 7 00 " Sale of Potatoes from Farm ..... 59 65 10 00 " Sale of Butter from Farm """Bull " " 8 00 " R. Higgins, for board on 3 00 " Brewer.collection towards 4 00 clearing sidewalks.... " Fines for driving over Iron 15 00 Bridge... " Bounty on 4 Bears, Ret'd by State..... 20 00 106 34 " License Fees..... 78 00 " Dog License 1895..... 66 66 Tax of 1894 Ret'd by 89 31 " State Pensions Ret'd by 108 00 " Insurance on School house 700 00 burned.... " State am't Rec'd towards

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Deat of Anniour	100.00
Rent of Armory	100/00
" Received towards build-	
ing Iron Bridge	3,000 00
" High School Fund	$250_{-}00$
" Railroad and Telegraph	
Tax from State	27 81
" School Fund and Mill Tax	3,327 37
" Temporary Loans as fol-	
lows :	
Order No. 10, First Nat'l	
Bank \$2,000 00 Order No. 49, Alex. Wil-	
Order No. 49, Alex. Wil-	
son	
Order No. 50, Alex. Wil-	
son 200 00	
Order No. 128, Farmers	
Nat'l Bank 5,000 00	
Order No. 131, First Nat'l	
Bank 3,000 00	
Bank 3,000 00 Order No. 133, W. C.	
Donnell 5,000 00	
Order No. 229, W. C.	
$D_{annell}$ 5.000 00	
Donnell	
Order No. 260, First Nat'l	
Bank 2,000 00	
Order No. 286, Farmers	
Nat'l Bank 5,000 00	
Order No. 368, Houlton	
Savings Bank 1,500 00	
Order No. 544, First Nat'l	
Bank 3,000 00	
Order No. 548, Farmers	
Nat'l Bank 5,000 00	
Order No. 594, First Nat'l	
Bank 2,000 00	
Order No. 598, Penobscot	
Savings Bank 5,000 00	
Order No. 762, P. A.	
Strickland 5,000 00	
Order No. 763, First Nat'l	
Bank 5,000 00	
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	<b>54,500</b> 00

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"	Discount 5 per cent. on				
	Taxes of 1893			7	85
"	Supplementary Tax of 1894			()	05
"	Supplementary Tax of			-	(),)
	1895			8	55
٤.	Interest on Taxes of			07	00
"	1894 Highway Tax 1895			$\begin{array}{c} 27 \\ 749 \end{array}$	
	Cash Tax assessed for			149	40
	1895			54.703	07
	1000				
	Cr.		\$	125,232	71
By	paid Dog License to	•			
-	State		\$		• •
	Paid State Pensions			108	00
"	" Order No. 464 of				
	1894 \$3,000	00	)		
"	Paid Order No. 503, of	00			
"	1894 3,000 Paid Order No. 623, of	00	,		
	18942,000	00	)		
				8,000	00
"	Paid Coupons on Bonds			1,600	
	" County Tax in full			6,728	
"	"State Tax ""			6,241	
"	" Town Orders of				
	1895			89,788	84
46	Bal. Non-Resident Tax				
	<b>1894\$</b> 23	-			
	Bal. Taxes 1893 & 1894 1,709				
	Bal. Taxes 1895         10,105           Cash on Hand         848				
	Cash on 11anu	30	-	$12,\!687$	80

Houlton, March 11, 1896.

\$125,232 71

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GEO. A. GORHA	AM, Auditor.
THOMAS P. PUTNAN	M. Treasurer.
MICHAEL M. CLARK,	) Selectmen
ALEXANDER WILSON,	≻ of
MELLEN D. PUTNAM,	) Houlton.

## Auditor's Report.

I have examined the books and accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer, for the past year, and find them kept in a correct and business like manner, and agreeing with their statements, as published elsewhere in this report.

The Taxes assessed in 1895, were \$54,703.07, of which, including the discount, there was paid to the Treasurer, \$40,-614.92. The Collector of Taxes elected at the last Annual Town Meeting, not having been qualified, the balance \$14,088.15 was placed in the hands of Thos. P. Putnam, as Collector, who has collected and turned into the Treasury, \$3,982.55. There has also been collected a Supplementary Tax of \$8.55, and interest \$27.90 on Taxes of 1894. W. A. Kay has also returned to the Treasurer \$33.07 for Non-resident Taxes of 1894; \$9.45 of same has been collected, the balance, \$23.62, are to be disposed of according to law.

The Uncolle	cted Taxes are as follows :	
Non-resident '	axes of 1894\$ 23 62	;
Balance Taxe	of 1893 & 1894 1,709 69	)
" "	" 1895 10,105 60	)
	GEORGE A. GORHAM, Auditor.	•

Houlton, March 11, 1896.

## Report of S. S Committee.

The contract for Text Books made in 1890, for five years, having expired, the Committee found many changes necessary in order to keep up to the times, and have the best modern publications in the hands of our pupils. The following books have been adopted :---

Manual Geography, Maury. Physical Geography, Elementary Geography, Maury. Complete Arithmetic, Greenleaf. Brief Course in Arithmetic, Greenleaf. First Lessons in Numbers, Normal Readers, Werner Series. Writing Books, Ellsworth. School Geography, Frye. Primary Geography, " Readers, (Primer, First & Second), Cyr. Readers, (Third, Fourth & Fifth), Stickney. English Grammar, Metcalf & Bright. Language Lessons, Metcalf. U. S. History, Eggleston. Beginners' History, Eggleston. Speller, Harrington. Physiology, Smith. Drawing Books, Bartholomew's. Spelling Blanks, Harper.

The Pupils have done good work and made commendable progress during the year. However, much inconvenience and interruption has been caused by the prevalence of scarlet fever, but by careful management on the part of teachers and officers and in most cases by a hearty co-operation on the part of parents, its spread has been restricted, and in but one instance has it been necessary to close a school. The Foxcroft School was closed a few weeks during November and December.

In most cases the Schools have had the services of the same teachers for the entire year. It is the purpose of the Committee that faithful and competent teachers shall be continued in their schools, and thus their services become more and more valuable to the town.

The School Buildings throughout the town are in good condition except the Donovan School House. This building must be thoroughly repaired. According to vote of the town at the last annual meeting, the old Foxcroft School House has been moved about one mile nearer the Village.

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In this location it accommodates a greater number of scholars, and a school is regularly maintained. The voters of the town are asked to take action toward the disposal of the old school lot.

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From the amount appropriated at the last annual meeting, after considerable trouble, the Committee purchased a Lot on Pleasant Street for \$500, and one on Fair Street for \$1,225. Both are well adapted for school purposes, centrally located, dry, and on the line of the water and sewer systems. The impossibility of building two such houses, as the present and immediate future needs of the town require, was, however, soon apparent. A four room modern school house, with a seating capacity of over two hundred, was built on the Fair Street Lot. Heated with hot water, plumbed, well lighted and ventilated, with ample play grounds in front and rear, it should be a source of pride to the town, and an investment which will always bring good returns. By this building the crowded condition of the schools was relieved, and the demands of the rapidly growing section in which it is located have been met.

On the twenty-fifth day of October last the school house on Garrison Hill, with all books and furniture, was burned. The next afternoon that school was moved into the only vacant room in the Fair Street Building, where it has since been comfortably quartered. The average attendance at the fall term was forty-two, out of a register of fifty; and for the winter term an average of thirty-two out of a register of forty-six. It is therefore evident that the larger and more advanced scholars in this school can attend the graded schools of the village, which furnish better advantages and accommodations than it is possible to give them elsewhere. Provision nearer home, however, must be made for the smaller children. and considering the probable future growth of that section of the town, we think a one story primary building to replace the one destroyed will answer all purposes.

Tuition has been furnished to Free High School scholars at Ricker Classical Institute, according to the terms arranged by vote of the town.

Attendance for the year was as follows: 65, summer term; 83, fall term; 80, winter term.

The tuition for the year reached the limit, \$1,450, and cost the town \$1,200.

The pupils who passed the requisite examination to admit them to Ricker Classical Institute, as Free High School scholars, are:---

#### FROM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Beatty, C. Beaufort Cooper, Bessie C. Clement, Almon B. Cummings, Salathiel F. Foss, Holman D. Gentle, Edna B. Glenn, Harry S. Jenks, Mildred Kinney, Frank Lawlis, Katie Lermond, Emmeline McLeod, Bessie McKay, Jennie G. Palmer, Leafy Peabody, Annie M. Pomroy, Orrie C. Ruth, R. Harlev Stephenson, Jennie L. Wilson, Minnie Woodworth, Herbert G. Yerxa, Douglas

FROM CARY MILLS SCHOOL. Hosford, Elson A. McCready, Cyrus D. FROM DEASY SCHOOL. Deasy. Mary FROM DONOVAN SCHOOL. Donovan, Winnie M. FROM WHITE SETTLEMENT SCHOOL. Harkin, Charles FROM CAMPBELL SCHOOL. Smith Loretta G. PRIVATE INSTRUCTION. Putnam, Fred L. FROM OTHER TOWNS. Benn, Elbridge A. Nason, Bertha We recommend the following appropriation for the ensuing vear :---750 00 Repairs.... Text Books..... 1,400 00 Free High School (including amount paid by State) 1,450 00 ALBEBT A. BURLEIGH. Chairman, VINAL B. WILSON, JOHN B. MADIGAN, JOHN A. MILLAR. HARRY L. PUTNAM. Superintendent.

### Report of Board of Health.

There have been reported to the Board of Health, during the year, the following contagious cases:

Typhoid Fever, 14 cases, with 1 death; Scarlet Fever, 29 cases, with 1 death.

Just how many cases not reported, we are unable to state, but a number of cases have come to our knowledge that were not reported by the attending Physician.

About fifty nuisances such as uncleaned vaults, refuse heaps, &c., were attended to. Tours of inspection were made several times during the summer by one or more of the members of the Board. Our requests have been cheerfully complied with, with a few exceptions. It was found necessary to prosecute one man for wilfully and persistently violating the law in sending his child to school before sufficient time had elapsed after an attack of Scarlet Fever. It was deemed advisable that one school be closed for a few weeks, to prevent the further spread of Scarlet Fever.

T. J. FITZMAURICE,	)	Board
A. B. SMART,	5	of
CHAS. E. WILLIAMS,	)	Health.

# Chief Engineer's Report.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Houlton :

I respectfully submit my report as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for the past year.

The department is in better condition than ever before, owing to the addition of the new Hose Wagon and three horses, and the repairing of Steamer, which gives us a better Steamer than when new. The company consists of the officers and 22 firemen, and officers and 12 men of the Hook and Ladder Company.

The alarms have been as follows :-----

March 22d, 1895, alarm 11 A. M.,—fire in attic of S. W Taber's carriage shop. Cause unknown; loss small.

March 25, 1895, alarm 12.15 A. M.,—Washburn house on North St. Cause probably incendiary; house and stables total loss.

April 27, 1895, alarm 8 P. M.,—fire in Robert Palmer building on Main St. Cause, overturning of lamp; loss small.

May 12, 1895, alarm 10 A. M.,—fire in A. W. Ingersoll house, Bangor St. Cause, burning chimney; loss small.

Aug. 16, 1895, alarm 1.15 P. M., John Hickey's house, Pearce Addition. Cause unknown; loss total on account of being out of reach of water supply.

Aug. 21, 1895, alarm 10.30 P. M., —fire at Court House. Cause, gas stove having been left on staging by workman; no damage.

Sept. 5, 1895, alarm 11.45 л. м.,—false alarm.

Sept. 27, 1895, alarm 4 P. M.,—Horton's Mill on Green St. Caused probably from furnace. Owing to its taking so long to get the alarm down and the combustible nature of the building, the loss was total. Firemen did grand work saving adjoining property.

Sept. 28, 1895, alarm at 6.05 P. M., —burning chimney in L. B. Johnson's house, Military St.; no damage.

Sept. 28, 1895, alarm rung in about thirty minutes after the other. This proved to be the barn of R. S. Phillips, near old Extract Works, on Hill. Firemen responded promptly and succeeded in saving house and stable of Andrew J. Martin; also dwelling, store and stable of H. C. Bradbury. Oct. 25, 1895, alarm at 1.30 A. M.,—school house on Garrison Hill, too far from water to do any work. Cause unknown; loss total.

Dec. 9, 1895, alarm 8.00 P. M.,— H. D. Foss house on High St. Fire beyond control before alarm was given. Cause unknown; loss total.

Jan. 27, 1896, alarm at 6.15 P. M.,—fire in Putnam & Rice block, corner Court St. and Market Square. This was a very hard fire to fight, owing to the fire having worked its way between partitions all through building before it was discovered; and though the Firemen, Hook and Ladder Co. and Citizens worked hard, it was impossible to put the fire out until both the corner block and Blue Store were badly damaged. Cause unknown.

Jan. 31, 1896,—store houses of A. H. Fogg & Co., Wm. Dobson and Barker house, so calle l. No alarm rung. Cause unknown; loss total.

Feb. 4, 1896,—false alarm 3 A. M.

March 13, 1896,—false alarm, at 7.45 р. м.

I recommend that the next move be towards some kind of an alarm system with 10 or 12 street boxes to start with.

Thanking all who have rendered any assistance,

I remain respectfully,

S. C. WEBBER, Chief Engineer.

## WARRANT.

#### To JAMES H. SINCLAIR, One of the Constables of the Town of Houlton, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Houlton, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Heywood's Opera House, in said town, on Monday, the Thirtieth day of March, 1896, at 9 o'cl.ck in the forenoon, (standard time), to act upon the following articles, to wit:—

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said Meeting.

ART. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will vote to employ a Road Commissioner.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote to employ at least one woman on the Board of S. S. Committee.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will vote to employ two men who shall be elected Constables, and serve as Town Watchmen, and Police Officers, and whose duty it shall be to make complaint, and prosecute all persons in town who violate the Prohibitory Liquor Law, during the Municipal Year 1896.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the poor, and other necessary expenses of the town for the ensuing year:

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of Schools.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of a Free High School for the ensuing year, and how the same shall be expended.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to

raise for repairs upon School Houses, and how the same shall be expended.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of School Text Books.

ART. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the services of the Supervisor of Schools.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the lot of land situate on the Foxcroft Road, on which the Bray School House formerly stood.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the S. S. Committee to contract with parties to build a School House on the lot of land situate on Military Street, on which the School House formerly stood in Dist. No. 2, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen not to grant license to Agents of Circuses and Wild West Shows.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen and Town Agent to prosecute all persons in town who violate the Prohibitory Liquor Law, during the Municipal Year 1896.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the Fire Department, and Watchmen.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for observing Memorial Day.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Shooting Range, &c., for the National Guards of Houlton.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Rocks for County Work Yard.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Lighting the Streets of the Village.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize, and

instruct the Selectmen to contract with party or parties to build a bridge across the North Branch of the Meduxnekeag Stream, near the Pumping Station, on the County Road, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with party or parties to Repair the Bridge near the Pumping Station on the County Road, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the Selectmen to contract with party or parties to Build a Bridge across the Meduxnekeag Stream near the Gidney Ferry Landing, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Repairing and Building of Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks, and how the same shall be Paid and Expended.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to keep the Sidewalks in the village open during the winter of 1896-7, and if so, to instruct the Selectmen what ones to keep open and what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purpose of keeping the roads open during the winter of 1896-7.

ART. 27. To see what instructions the Town will vote to give the Selectmen in regard to allowing Fast Driving across the Iron Bridges in Town.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to purchase granite curbing for sidewalks, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Cemeteries.

ART. 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a loan or loans for the purpose of paying the debts of the Town.

ART. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Street Signs.

AET. 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to Build a Sewer from Kendall Street near Clark's Hotel to the Meduxnekeag Stream, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will vote to allow J. N. Clark and others to tap the Bailey Brook Sewer, and connect private sewers with it.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to pay The Berlin Iron Bridge Company the balance claimed by them on account for Building Approaches to the Iron Bridge near Highlands, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a lot of land near the C. P. Railroad Crossing on Military Street to be used for Engine House, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to build Plank Sidewalks in the village, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 37. To see if the Town will yote to accept the road located by the Selectmen, Oct. 26th, 1895, on petition of T. J. Fitzmaurice and others and recorded in Town Records. Vol. 5, Pages 99, 100, 101 & 102, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said road.

ART. 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase the John Hickey House Lot, situate near the Robinson Road, said lot now being owned by Frank W. Pearce, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose. ART. 39. To see if the Town will vote to Accept a Road or Street described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the Centre and at the Northerly end of Elm Street, thence South 34 degrees, 5 minutes West, 29 Rods and 14 Links to a stake, said course to be the centre of said street, and said street to be three rods wide and to be known as an extension of Elm Street, and dedicated to the use of the town by Charles P. Tenney.

ART. 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to Purchase Land for Town Pounds, and if so, what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 41. To see if the Town will vote to make any Discount upon Taxes paid at such time or times as it may determine, and if so, what per cent.; also to fix a time and rate for interest to be added upon taxes remaining unpaid.

ART. 42. To see if the Town will vote to ratify the doings of the Selectmen, whereby they have abated the taxes published in the Town Report, March 11th, 1896.

ART. 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report as published by the Selectmen, March 11th, 1896.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Selectmen's Office in said Town, on the 26th, 27th and 28th days of March, 1896, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, (standard time), for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Moulton, this Eighteenth day of March, A. D. 1896.

MICHAEL M. CLARK, ALEXANDER WILSON, MELLEN D. PUTNAM, Houlton.

A True Copy.

Attest: JAMES H. SINCLAIR, Constable of Houlton.