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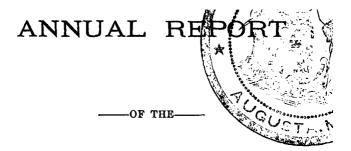
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# SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

## AND OTHER OFFICERS

# TOWN OF HOULTON,

Municipal Year Ending March 1,

1901.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Following is a statement of the inventory and valuation of taxable property and polls as found in the Town of Houlton, April 1st, 1900, the same being a copy of our return to the State Assessors:—

Resident, real estate,	\$1,324,492 00
Non-resident, real estate,	149,835 00
Total real estate,	\$1,474,327 00
Resident, personal estate,	\$712,114 00
Non-resident, personal estate,	6,805 00
Total personal estate,	\$ 718,919 00
Total valuation,No. of polls taxed,1183.No. of polls not taxed,35.	\$2,193,246 00

#### Schedule of Personal Property.

Live Stock.	No.	Av. Value.	Total Value.
Horses,	783	<b>\$</b> 45 91	\$35,950 00
Colts, 3 to 4 years old,	<b>23</b>	40 00	920 00
Colts, 2 to 3 years old,	<b>26</b>	$25 \ 00$	$650 \ 00$
Colts, under 2 years,	22	$15 \ 00$	330 00
Cows,	553	$20 \ 00$	11,060 00
Bull,	1		$25 \ 00$
Three years old,	120	16 00	1,920 00
Two years old,	235	$12 \ 00$	2,820 00
One year old,	200	6 00	1,200 00
Sheep,	977	3 00	2,931 00
Swine,	213	3 00	639 00

Total value of live stock,

\$58,445 00

	Shares.	Valu	e.		
Railroad stock,		2,600	00		
Bank stock,	1016	142,290	00		
Trust companies stock,	130	14,800	00		
Sewer "	105	4,725	00		
Water "	1930	38,600	00		
Money at interest,		175,900	00		
Estates held in trust,		17,800	00		
Stock in trade,		209,075			
Machinery,		6,800	00		
Logs and lumber,		3,300	00		
Bicycles,	170	4,040	00		
Carriages,	239	10,555	00		
Musical instruments,	304	19,659	00		
Furniture,		7,280	00		
Finished products in mill	s,	600	00		
Woods	•	100	00		
Materials in stock,		1,100	00		
Buildings on others land,		1,250	00	\$660,474	00

Total value of personal property,

\$718,919 00

#### Assessment, 1900.

On the above polls and estates, as per warrants from the State Treasurer and County Treasurer, and as per votes of the Town at the annual town meeting held March 26, 1900, the following assessment was made :---

3		
State tax,	\$6,857 69	9
County tax,	8,296 7	1
Support of the poor,	2,350 0	0
Discounts, abatements & commissions	, 3,8 <b>5</b> 0 00	0
Interest,	2,800 0	0
Town Officers,	1,500 0	0
Miscellaneous bills,	1,000 0	
Superintendent of Schools,	300 0	0
Schools,	6,000 0	0
Free High School,	1.800 0	0
Insurance on school houses,	200 0	0
Repairs on school houses,	500 0	0
Text books,	750 0	0
Fire department and watchmen,	5,750 0	0
Street lights,	1.350 0	
Roads, bridges & sidewalks,	5,200 0	
Road commissioner,	600 0	

Sidewalks in winter,	350 00	
Bridge at West Houlton,	800 00	
Cemeteries,	300 00	
Memorial day,	100 00	
Free Public Library,	300 00	
Militia,	100 00	
Town Debt,	1,000 00	
Overlay,	842 60	
Total assessment, Tax rate on \$1.00 .0225		\$52,897 03
Tax on polls \$3.00 each,	\$ 3,549 00	
Tax on real and personal estate,	. ,	\$52,897 03
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THOMAS P. PUTNAM,	(Assessors
FRANK W. PEARCE,	→ of
WALLACE A. DYKEMAN,	( Houlton.

## **REPORT OF SELECTMEN, OVERSEERS OE THE POOR, &c.**

### Schools.

Ounous,		
Atchison, Wm. M., janitor &c.	\$30	
Auber, Frank L., janitor		50
Auber, Walter, janitor	14	
Anderson, Richard, trucking	+	24
Abernethy, Josephine, janitor	*	50
Anderson, J. A., trucking		50
American Express Co., express	16	
American Book Co., books	211	
Andrews A. H. Co., books	34	
Bumpus, Edwin, sleepers	•	60
Burtt, W. F., labor		50
Babb, E. E. Co., books		72
Brown, R. N., freight & trucking		<b>54</b>
Berlitz & Co., supplies		57
Boston School Supply Co., supplies	11	52
Barnes, Clara, teaching	306	00

Bachelder, A. M., janitor	133 50
Burleigh, Rufus, wood	$42 \ 75$
Belongie, Maggie, cleaning	4 00
Belongie, Mrs. Amos, cleaning	4 00
Briggs, E., trucking	2 85
Chadwick, Vesta E., teaching	288 50
Cassidy, Ella M., teaching	296 84
Cosseboom, May, teaching	306 00
Chadwick, John G., labor	25 68
Crane, Harlan, labor	$\begin{array}{c} 20 & 00 \\ 7 & 50 \end{array}$
Cogan, May, janitor	3 85
Cook, F. L., supplies	11  20
Chadwick & Davis, lumber &c.	$\frac{11}{93}$ $\frac{10}{69}$
Cameron, S. A., labor	4 00
Donovan, Annie G., teaching	330 50
	306 00
Donovan, Jennie E., teaching Ditson, Oliver Co., music	37 12
Donovan, John T., wood	64 00
Donnell, Wm. C., insurance &c.	$132 \hspace{0.1in} 60$
Educational Pub. Co., books	152 00 9 17
	5 00
Elliott, Mrs. E., cleaning	91 08
Fogg, A. H. & Co., hardware Fletcher, Philander, janitor	201 00
Fitzgerald, John C., janitor	5 50
Fitzgerald, Elizabeth, cleaning	$\begin{array}{c} 5 & 50 \\ 2 & 50 \end{array}$
Farrington, E. C., maps	12 00
	47 00
Fletcher, Earl M., janitor Fortier, Susie, cleaning	3 00
	61 25
Files, G. B., books	11 00
Foster, Mrs. James, cleaning	
Fortier, Mrs. A., cleaning	1 00
Gentle & Ludwig, insurance	28 75
Gidney, John S., conveying scholars	24 00
Gilman, W. S. & Son, printing	2 22
Ginn & Co., books	140 41
Hamilton & Webber, supplies	
Houlton Water Co., water	220 00
Houlton Sewer Co., sewer	130 00
Houlton Coal & Wood Co., coal	130 00
Hanson, Ida, cleaning	3 00
Hatheway, H. J., supplies	75
Hallett, J. A., trucking	10 93
Houghton, Mifflin Co., books	75 29
Hammett, J. L. Co., books	211 69
Heath, D. C. & Co., books	200 01

	05 05
Holcomb & Hoke Mfg Co., books	35 65
Hogan, Anna, teaching	$14 \ 00$
Hogan, A. P., wood	$30 \ 18$
Holyoke, Geo. T., enumeration of schola	rs 25 00
Haskell, Annie M., teaching	306 00
Houlton Furniture Co., furniture	3 70
	389 75
Iott, Daniel, janitor	13 00
Iott, Hattie, cleaning	
Iott, Wm., labor	3 25
Johnston, James, wood	2 00
Jones, Annie R., teaching	306 00
Jordan, Hattie, cleaning	2 50
Jackins, Edith, teaching	$259 \ 00$
Jenks, Éthel, teaching	$128 \ 50$
Jordan, W. H., wood &c	7 85
King, Geo. F. & Co., supplies	1 50
Lovering, May E., teaching	60 00
	176 50
Lawlis, Kate, teaching	16 50
Little, Brown & Co., books	210 00
Long, Harry, conveying scholars	16 00
Lowery, John, wood	
Lowery, Murry, janitor	8 35
Logan, Frank, janitor	11 55
Logan, Fred R., janitor	9 20
Logan, Henry, wood &c	$27\ 28$
Mulherrin, Sarah E., teaching	$316\ 25$
Mulherrin, Josephine, teaching	306 00
Mansur, Lura S., teaching	$255 \ 00$
McCluskey Bros., conveying scholars	$228\ 25$
McMonigle, Thomas, wood	18 00
	61
Millar, J. A., supplies	$4 \tilde{56}$
Maynard, Merrill & Co., supplies	189 10
McPartland, J. H., labor &c	
McNutt, James, labor &c	55 16
McNair, George, labor &c	16 75
Monson Maine Slate Co., slate	95 24
Nelson, Thomas & Son, supplies	7 35
Niles, Chas. H., teams	$6 \ 75$
Niles, M. C., janitor &c.	$34 \ 20$
Neal, Geo., wood	$35 \ 00$
Orriss, H. M., rebinding	31  15
Partridge, Horace & Co., supplies	30 00
Putnam U T. nestage fre	10 00
Putnam, H. L., postage &c	306 00
Pennington, Annie, teaching	3 85
Parks, Emery H., janitor	0.00

Porter, M. Ann, teaching	306 00	
Porter, Alice M., teaching	306 00	
Pelkey, Ellen, cleaning	1 00	
Parks, Carrie, janitor	11 40	
Putnam, W. H., gravel and trucking	69 00	
Potter, Mrs. Almon, cleaning	2 00	
Plummer, Matilda, cleaning	1 00	
Packard, C. L., wood	17 50	
Perry Pictures Co., supplies	3 00	
Russell, Fred M., painting	3  75	
Robbins, Georgia M., teaching	$327 \ 10$	
Smith, Etta G., teaching	228 90	
Smith, Henry, wood	10 00	
Stimson, Clara M., lumber	$24 \ 12$	
Soucie, Mamie, cleaning	4 50	
Stairs, Margaret, cleaning	10 00	
Smith, O. M., supplies	3 80	
Smith, John, wood	$60 \ 75$	
Scott, Foresman & Co., books	83 00	
Shewell, T. R. & Co., books	$15 \ 00$	
Turney, R. L., hardware	$26 \ 04$	
Terrill, Jacob W., conveying scholars	30 00	
Titcomb, Ethel E., teaching	$238 \ 30$	
Terrill, Delmer, janitor	5 50	
Taber, S. W., repairs &c	$17 \ 43$	
Vassar, Joseph, janitor	263 50	
Vandine, Clara, cleaning	1 00	
Violett, C. A., labor	1 48	
Wilson, Eva, teaching	$258 \ 00$	
White, Theresa, teaching	$1 \ 25$	
White, Jacob, labor	5 00	
Watson, John, coal &c	419 17	
Balance unexpended,	$285 \ 14$	\$11
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Amount appropriation Amount for repairs school buildings Amount for school books Amount for insurance on buildings School fund and Mill tax from State Balance from Pleasant St. school	\$6,000 500 750 200 3,651	00 00 00
house 1899 Balance from last year school acct. Books sold and rented Cash rec'd for tuitions as follows :	•••	50 76 10

Town of Hodgdon-Cary	Mills		
school	\$147 00		
Mary Conlogue-Grammar			
school		$164 \hspace{0.1in} 00$	\$11,506 20

#### Free High School.

Amount appropriated,			\$1,800	00		
Balance from last year,			112	95		
Amount received from State,			<b>250</b>	00		
Cash rec'd for tuitions, as follow	<i>w</i> s:-					
Bradbury, George R.	<b>\$</b> 8	50				
Bradbury, Grover	6	50				
Carpenter, Anna L.	9	00				
Doherty, Fred	8	50				
Hannigan, Bernard	5	50				
Hovey, Goldie	6	50				
Mersereau. Lizzie	12	00				
Tarbell, Herbert J.	12	00	68	50	2,231	45
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Burrill, F. W., teaching			\$1,076			
Briggs, Belle, teaching				00		
Davidson, Chester, prize				00		
Harris, Mabel E., teaching			489			
Hatheway, H. J., supplies				40		
Heywood, Albion P., use of hal	l I			<b>00</b> -		
Merritt, E. & Sons, lights				<b>20</b>		
Putnam, Emma R., prize			5	00		
Rockwood, Marion, teaching			435			
Shaw, Dora D., prize			10	00		
Steinert M. & Sons, Co. rent of	pia	no	15	00		
Wheeler, Myron, tuning of pia			5	-00		
Balance unexpended,			54	52	2,231	<b>45</b>
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For appropriations recommended for schools and school purposes, see report of School Committee.

#### Fire Department and Watchmen.

Anderson, Frank H., painting	<b>\$</b> 2 10
Brewer, Wilmot, services	$120 \ 00$
Briggs, Ephraim, trucking	4 00
Bonnell, John B., policeman	<b>31 75</b>
Chamberlain, Albert, services	$547 \ 44$
Clough, L. T., policeman	$47 \ 25$

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Campbell, John A., oats	14	00		
Dempsey, Frank, trucking	20			
Drew, Harry, trucking	3	00		
Donovan, J. A., hay	31	35		
Donovan, B. A., trucking	4	00		
Dykeman, W. A., oats	<b>12</b>	80		
Donnell, W. C., insurance	9	00		
Friedman, S. & Co., supplies	9	00		
Fanjoy, J. B., hay	18	95		
Fogg, A. H. & Co., hardware		<b>26</b>		
Hallett, J. Alton, trucking	<b>2</b>	00		
Harkins, M., oats	20			
Houlton Water Co., hydrants	2,400	00		
Houlton Coal & Wood Co., coal	105	00		
Hagerman, Dow H., services	50	00		
Howard, A. H., straw	-	15		
Hatheway, H. J., supplies	<b>2</b>	45		
Ingraham Clothing Co., supplies	_	50		
Innis, F. F., hay	14	84		
Kellerman-Crane Nozzle Co., nozzle	30	90		
Merritt, E. & Sons, oats &c	9	86		
McPartland, J. H., labor	29	<b>45</b>		
Mowatt, Frank, straw		50		
Mooers, S. S., police services	16	20		
McDonald, W. W., blacksmithing	<b>26</b>			
O'Brien, Joseph, hay	43	95		
Royal, J. J., repairs &c	11			
Sinclair, J. H., police & watchman	510			
Small, Geo. W., medicine &c		00		
Smith, O. M., supplies	12			
Seely, Nehemiah, oats	20			
Smith, Lee E., corn		20		
Smith, John, wood		50		
Sheehan, D., supplies	_	50		
Sockanosset Hose Co., services of men	1,391			
Tinker, F. W., oats		00		
Thomas, John, hay		70		
Taber, Silas W., repairs		75		
Willette, Alex. straw		53		
Watson, John, hardware and hay		13		
Whitney, W. R., hay		56		
Webber, S. C., chief engineer		00		
Balance unexpended,	81	11	N 04 7	70
			5,817	(4
Amount appropriated,	\$5,750	00		
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Balance from last year,	<b>42</b>	72		
Manure to Town Farm,	<b>25</b>	00	\$5,817	72

The town has been very fortunate, only one fire, Wilson's mill, of more than nominal damage, having occurred during the year. The Selectmen are sorry to say, that thus far they have been unable to agree upon terms, for a new contract, with the Houlton Water Company. For this reason, we are unable to estimate the amount necessary for Fire Department, Police and Hydrants the coming year, but do not think that more than the amount raised last year, \$5,750.00 will be required.

#### Bridge and Abutments over Hodgdon Stream.

Amount appropriated,		\$800 00
Atherton, A. F., labor	<b>\$12 00</b>	
Fogg, A. H. & Co., hardware	10 62	
Glancy, John, labor	23 $25$	
Ganong, Wm., labor	25 50	
Houlton Foundry & M. Co., labor	$104 \ 42$	
Iott, Daniel, labor	3  75	
Monahan, E. C., labor	25  50	
McNutt, J., labor	$13 \ 75$	
Russell, Murry, labor	9 00	
Small, Geo. W., labor	$51 \ 00$	
Sincock, W. H., labor	$5 \ 00$	
Stetson, C. E. F., surveying	2 00	
Taggett, John, labor	29 $75$	
Wilson, Matthew, lumber	375 89	
Balance unexpended, carried to Road,		
Bridge and Sidewalk acct.,	108 57	\$800 00

This bridge has been wholly rebuilt. The old center pier in the middle of the stream was taken down and two substantial abutments, one at each side, built up from the ledge at bottom, so that there is a larger space between for flow of water and danger to bridge will be less from spring freshets. It is now, we think, one of the most substantial wooden bridges in the town and should stand for many years. The work was done by the road commissioner, and the bridge completed within the appropriation. The unexpended balance of \$108.57 has been carried to the general road account.

### Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks.

Allbright, Fred and Chas., labor	\$ 563
Allbright, Fred, labor	101 14
Anderson, J. A., trucking	11 00
Anderson, Richard, trucking	25
Armstrong, James, labor	16 00
Armstrong, D. T., labor	15 00
Atherton, A. F., labor	30 00
Auber, John J., labor	7 50
B. & A. R. R. Co., freight	26 73
Bangor Gas Co., tar	410 50
Beek, Alex., labor	17 00
Berlin Iron Bridge Co., iron posts	9 00
Berry, Chas. H., team	7 00
Billings & Watts, curbing	$139 \ 36$
Boyd, Edward, labor	7 37
Bradford, Adin K., labor	15 59
Benson, Thomas, labor	6 00
Brewer Melvin, labor	$2 \ 25$
Brewer, Wilmot, labor	236 00
Briggs, E., trucking	1  75
Brown, Oscar S., labor	$232 \ 65$
Belongia, James, labor	3 00
Bumpus, E., labor	11 04
Campbell, J. Albert, labor	4 50
Carroll, Patrick, labor	63
Chadwick & Davis, lumber	16 10
Chapman & Soden, pitch	19 98
Clark, Mrs. J. N., labor	17 00
Cassidy, Patrick, labor	1 50
Cogan, Henry, labor	17 25
Cogan, James, labor	4 00
Conant, C. M. & Co., repairs	17 20
Crabb, H., labor	7 50
Cassidy, P. B., labor	2 50
Crawford, Frank, labor	10 75
Cyr, Joe, labor	5 63
Deasy, James, labor	12 75
Dickey, Frank, labor	7 50
Donovan, J. C., labor Duffy, James, labor	1 50
Dickey, J. A., labor	1 15
Dobbins, James, labor	126 00
Dobson, Wm., labor	6 00 6 00
	0 00

Donovan, John T., labor	1 50
Dunphy, W. H., labor	53 99
Dykeman, W. A., labor	36 00
Edblad, Hjalmar, Road Com'r,	529 50
Edblad, Hjalmar, cash paid out	14 85
Fairweather, G. H., labor	12 82
Fitzgerald, J., labor	16 $50$
Fogg, A. H. & Co., hardware	23 55
Gallagher, Robert, labor	$63 \ 75$
Ganong, Wm., labor	$58 \ 12$
Glancy, John, labor,	$63 \ 25$
Glendening, J. A., agt-freight	$75 \ 30$
Grant, Thomas, labor	3  75
Hackett, J. D., labor	34 $12$
Hallett, B. L., labor	1 88
Hammond, D. E., labor	$10 \ 38$
Harkins, M., labor	17 00
Harper, Isaac M., labor	66 96
Harper, Isaac and John, labor	$23 \ 12$
Harper, John, labor	14 57
Higgins, L. W., labor	$2\ 50$
Hogan, A. P., labor	$16\ \ 62$
Houlton Foundry & M. Co., repairs	$16 \ 35$
Hovey, Wm. E., labor	$2 \ 00$
Hussey, B. T., labor	$29\ 75$
Inghram, B., labor	120 87
Iott, Daniel, labor	$12 \ 00$
Iott, Theo., labor	3 00
Iott, Israel, labor	$35 \ 25$
Iott, Wm., labor	19 70
Johnston, James, labor &c	$5 \ 75$
Jordan, W. H., labor	$10 \ 25$
Johnston, Wm. M., labor	1 50
Keaton, David, labor	14 50
Kinney, Geo. H., labor	18 00
Lovering, C. E., labor	6 00
Langan, M., labor	7 00
Lawlis, Martin, labor	69 75
Leonard, J., labor	19 06
Lizotte, Louis, labor	22 82
Logan, Henry, labor	35 75
Long, Harry, labor	5 80
Lowrey, Frank, labor	31 88
Lyons, C. A., printing	$   \begin{array}{c}     3 50 \\     5 0   \end{array} $
Macdonald, Finley, labor	5 00

McDonald, Stephen, labor	2 50
McDonald, W. W., blacksmithing	35
McGinley, Geo. W., labor	9 00
McMonigle, Thos., labor	3 00
McNutt, James, labor	3 75
McMonigle, Frank, labor	2 00
McPartland, J. H., labor	$ \frac{1}{2} $ $ \frac{1}{00} $
Merson Dungen Johon	14 25
Manson, Duncan, labor	38 00
Mansur, W. P., labor	$\begin{array}{c} 30 \ 00 \\ 43 \ 02 \end{array}$
Martin, Thomas, labor	7 87
Mitchell, Ewen, labor	1 20
Monahan, Fred, labor	89 62
Monahan, E. C., labor	8 50
Mooers, Thomas, labor	3 00
Moore, Geo. W., labor	
Newhouse, Oscar, gravel	1 00
Niles, John F., labor	$\begin{array}{c} 4 & 25 \\ 17 & 60 \end{array}$
Niles, Walter labor	17 60
O'Brien J., labor	18 00
Packard, L. C., labor	11 50
Peabody, Jas. S., sleepers	20 40
Perry, Harry, labor	250
Porter, Ira J., labor	13 50
Pray, E. D., labor	$14 \ 25$
Pray, Geo. R., labor	$179 \ 75$
Putnam, Albert T., labor	$128 \ 00$
Peabody, R. T., labor	11 00
Parks, Z., labor	$20 \ 30$
Putnam, M. D., labor	16 50
Putnam, W. H., labor	$140 \ 37$
Putnam, B. H., labor	$5 \ 00$
Reed, Geo. W., labor	87 40
Reed. Hiram, labor	975
Roach, Wm., labor	19 50
Robinson, D., labor	$2 \ 00$
Russell, Murray, labor	40 00
Ruth, Robert N., labor	40 03
Savage, A. S., labor	$8 \ 25$
Saunders, Benj., labor	9 00
Smith, John, labor	12 00
Seely Howard, labor	15 00
Seely, J. C., labor	46 50
Sincock, S. H., Jr., lumber	88 50
Sleeper, C. H., labor	3 75
Slipp, Benj. J., labor	5 75
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Small, Geo. W., labor	218	25		
Smith, E. M., labor		25		
Stephenson, Robert, labor	16	00		
Smith, James, labor	80	50		
Stetson, C. E. F., surveying	8	00		
Stewart, Alex., labor	1	50		
Stewart, M. L., snow plow	50	00		
Somerville, Thomas, labor	3	00		
Story, W. H., labor	<b>5</b>	63		
Sullivan, Wm. C., labor	6	72		
Taber, Geo. H., sleepers	16			
Taber, Silas W., repairs	<b>29</b>			
Taggett, John, labor	17			
Terrill, Jacob, labor	19			
Titcomb, F. W., plank &c	75			
Turney, R. L., hardware		<b>25</b>		
Vandine, Wm., labor		75		
Victory, Willard, labor		00		
Watson, John, labor &c	312	18		
Webb, Howard, labor		<b>40</b>		
Williams, B., labor		<b>20</b>		
Wilson, John, labor	7	50		
Wilson, J. M., labor		00		
Wilson, Matthew, lumber	521			
Wright, Hiram, labor	4	50		
Yerxa, W. R., labor		85		
Young, A. P., labor		00		
Balance unexpended	278	09	\$6,279	97
Amount appropriated, including servic	es	_		
of Road Commissioner,	\$5,800	00		
Balance from year 1899,	70	04		
Balance from Hodgdon Stream Bridge				
acet.,	108	57		
B. & A. R. R. rebate on freight,	<b>21</b>	40		
Cash received for labor on street crossi	ings			
and for concreting and sale of mater				
as follows :				
T. P. Lougee, iron pipe	2	00		
S. Pullen, old plank		00		
J. Watson, tar	5	50		
F. W. Titcomb, tar	<b>21</b>	00		
L. B. Johnson, sleepers		46		
E. B. White, cedar post		<b>25</b>		
O. M. Smith, concreting	9	75		

W. W. McDonald, concreting	12 50
I. H. Davis, concreting	7 76
J. Q. Adams, concreting	16 50
A. T. Smith, concreting	13 87
C. H. Berry, concreting	4 22
Mrs. M. A. Putnam, concreting	9 00
	10 13
Mrs. M. A. Bickford, concreting	
A. H. Fogg & Co., concreting	46 65
Mrs. A. B. Monson, concreting	43 50
J. E. Burnham, concreting	24 92
O. S. Clough, concreting	275
Geo. H. Wiggins, crossing	1 29
J. C. McIntyre, crossing	5 44
Geo. B. Dunn, crossing	5 18
Moses Burpee, crossing	2 99
J. D. Perry, crossing	3 50
D. A. H. Powers, crossing	4 77
	4 00
H. L. Smith, tar	
J. S. Weiler, sleepers	10 03
E. Merritt & Sons, tar	5 50
A. H. Fogg & Co., tar	5 50 \$6,279 97

All the usual work on roads, bridges and sidewalks has been done this year besides considerable extra work as will appear in Road Commissioner's report. There are many who seem to think there is no place where road work should be done except on the street or road on which they live. It would take two or three times the present appropriation to do all that everybody expects to be done. Many times those who have the most to say, about how and where the work should be done and money expended, have the least reason to complain. It is impossible to satisfy all, and it is but fair to say that no attempt has been made to do so. It has been the endeavor of the Selectmen and Road Commissioner to do what work was necessary each year, in all parts of the town, as well as could be done with the money raised therefor. This year, as well as during the three previous years, the appropriations for road work have not been overdrawn. We believe that when extra work should be done, extra appropriations should be made for it. For the usual work on roads, bridges and sidewalks and for Road Commissioner we recommend the sum of \$6,000.00 be raised

#### Sidewalks in Winter.

Anderson, J. A., labor	\$ 118	
Albright, Chas., labor		85
Albright, Fred, labor		75
Brewer, Melvin, labor	8	25
Butler, W., labor		63
Belongia, Jas., labor	3	85
Chamberlain, Frank, labor		50
Cyr, Joe, labor		75
Dickey, John, labor		75
Estes, R., labor		60
Gellerson, F. A., cash paid out	10	25
Grant, Richard, labor	4	40
Glancy, John, labor	3	45
Hunter, G. A., labor	<b>49</b>	75
Haughn, F., labor		05
Harper, I. M., labor	$\overline{7}$	25
Harper, W., labor	6	50
Houlton, F. & M. Co., repairs		68
Hickey, John, labor		70
Iott, Wm., labor		75
Iott, Thomas, labor		75
Iott, L., labor	3	35
Iott, Theo., labor		25
Jones, Frank, labor		75
McDonald, Stephen, labor	2	15
McKay, J., labor		$\overline{23}$
McAfee, J., labor		95
Monahan, E. C., labor		75
Nichols, J., labor		50
Parrent, Wm., labor	5	80
Peabody, S. F., labor		50
Ross, A., labor		10
Sinclair, L., labor		95
		65
Sinclair, Geo., labor Smith, Harry, labor	0	75
Taber, S. W., labor	6	75
		-90
Tupper, Sherman, labor Tupper, Tim, Jabor		05
Tupper, Tim, labor	-	10
Thibeau, J., labor White F labor	-	60
White, E., labor	_	
White, Geo., labor	•	85
Whiteman, J., labor		60
Warren, E. B., labor	1	10
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Balance unexpended,	64 77	<b>\$</b> 365 56
Amount appropriated, Balance from year 1899,	\$350 00 15 56	<b>\$ 365 5</b> 6

We recommend \$350 for this appropriation.

#### PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Paupers off the Farm.			
AMOS BELONGIA and f	amily.		
Fitzmaurice, T. J., medical attendance	<b>\$</b> 18	00	
Houlton Coal & Wood Co., wood	5	00	
Monson, A. B., supplies	-	80	
Nevers, F. A., medical attendance	51		<b></b>
French, O. F., medicine	5	45	<b>\$</b> 87 25
LOUISE BOWLBY	z		
Town of Caribou, board			\$12 00
ELLA MAY BAKE	R.		
McCausland, Phebe, nursing &c	<b>\$</b> 15	00	
Dickison, T. S., medical attendance,	2	00	
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance	<b>2</b>	00	<b>\$</b> 19 00
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MRS. JOSEPH CY	R.		
Gillin, Henry, team and ticket	<b>\$</b> 2	30	
Lane & Pearce, supplies		90	\$3 20
This bill has been paid by Town of	Caribo	ou.	
JEREMIAH CRONIN and	l famil	у.	
City of Bangor, supplies			\$8 34
JOHN A. COLLIN	S.		
Faulkner, N, P., nursing &c	\$42		
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance		00	
Dickison, T. S., medical attendance	* -	00	#110 AA
Hatheway, H. J., medicine		00	\$112 00
MRS. ADA CURTI	S.		
Cliff, Hannah, board &c	\$17		
French, O. F., medicine	5	05	<b>\$</b> 22 <b>05</b>

This bill has been paid by the Town of Monticello.

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JOHN DEAN and w	vife.			
Dalton, Mrs. Susan, board	\$9	28		
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance		õõ		
Perks Bros., medicine,		25	\$17	53
			ΨΤΙ	00
JOHN DEMPSEY.				
Dalton, Susan, board &c	\$17	65		
Anderson, Geo. W., nursing	10	00		
Houlton Furniture Co., casket &c	15	50		
Putnam, H. L., medical services	22	00		
McCluskey Bros., hearse	3	00		
Porter, Chas. H., nursing	7	00		
French, O. F., medicine	7	55	\$82	70
\$8 of this bill has been paid.				
JOSEPH DEBOU (Ind	lian).			
Williams, C. E., medical attendance			<b>\$1</b> 6	15
J. J. ELLIOTT.				
Fitzmaurice, T. J., medical attendance,	<b>\$</b> 19	00		
Wilson, C. H., supplies		00	<b>\$</b> 20	00
Wilson, O. II., supplies			Ψ20	00
MRS. FORTIER.				
Fitzmaurice, T. J., medical attendance	\$3	00		
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance		00	\$5	00
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MRS. ENOCH GRA	NT.			
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance	\$ 5	00		
		35	\$10	35
French, O. F., medicine			Ψ×Ο	00
ALICE GRANT and c	hild.			
White, W. W., board &c	\$8	50		
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies		50	\$10	00
berry, A. H. & Son, supplies			*	• •
This bill has been paid by Town of	New ]	Lime	rick.	
LENA HUTCHINSON an	nd chil	d.		
Ward, P. M., medical attendance	\$10	00		
Harrington, J. O., team		00		
Marshall, Harry B., board &c	6	00		
TT , BE SE 1 0.	6	00	\$23	00

6 00 \$23 00 Keaton, M. M., casket &c

L. W. HIGGIN	S.	
Gillin, E. A. & Co., supplies	\$3 00	
Houlton Coal & Wood Co., wood	1 25	<b>\$</b> 4 25
JERRE ITALIAN and	d family.	
Fitzmaurice, T. J., medical attendance	•	<b>\$</b> 10 00
TOM JOE and family (	(Indians).	
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies	<b>\$</b> 5 21	
Somerville, S. L., supplies	250	
Ward, P. M., medical attendance	20 70	<b>\$28</b> 41
HOWARD LINDSEY a	.nd family.	
Dykeman, W. A., wood	\$ 4 00	
Houlton Coal & Wood Co., wood	10 00	
Hunter, G. B., milk	6 98	
Gould, S. A., supplies	$34 \ 10$	
Nevers, F. A., medical attendance	20 00	
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies	4 23	
Smith, L. E., supplies	3 00	
Ross, D. J., rent	8 00	
Anderson, J. A., wood	1 00	
Somerville, S. L., supplies	1 20	
Gillin, E. A. & Co., supplies	$2 \ 00$	
Clark, J. E., team	50	
Sheehan, Denis, leather belt	$1 \ 25$	
Chadwick & Davis, stock	$2 \ 00$	
Dickison, T. S., medical attendance	5 50	
Gilbert, Robert G., work	75	
Briggs, E., trucking	$1 \ 25$	
B. & A. R. R., freight	250	
Lane & Pearce, supplies	1 50	
Palmer, R. A., supplies	1 00	
French, O. F., medicine	1 20	\$111 9

By instruction of Selectmen, suit was brought, by the town agent, against Town of Mars Hill for collection of the above claim, and the same is now pending in Supreme Judicial Court.

#### ANNIE LEONARD.

Me. Insane Hospital, board &c

\$142 03

#### W. R. LONDON.

Webb, S. S., medical services \$ 50 00 This bill, together with \$39.45 expended by the town last year on acct. said London, has been paid by the State.

#### JOHN McCARRON.

Dickison, T. S., medical attendance	\$5 00	
French, O. F., medicine	1 50	
Jones, Mrs. John P. board &c	6 00	<b>\$</b> 12 <b>5</b> 0

SAMUEL MCINTYRE	and	family	<b>7.</b>
Monson, A. B., supplies		\$12 (	)2
Houlton Coal & Wood Co wood		2 2	75

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French, O. F., medicine	$3 \ 05$	<b>\$</b> 17 82

#### JOHN MORAN.

Dalton, Mrs. Susan, board &c	\$60	50		
Dickison, T. S., medical attendance	90	00		
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance	90	00		
Lane & Pearce, supplies		50		
Hatheway, H. J., medicine		<b>20</b>	\$241	20
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This bill, together with \$40.35 expended, as per last year's report on acct. said Moran, has been paid by the State. 

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WM. L. McAFEE and fa	mily.			
Williams, C. E., medical attendance &c	\$44	03		
Wilson, C. H., supplies	26	46		
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies	<b>2</b>	00		
Dykeman, W. A., wood	2	00		
Dyer, L. W., supplies	2	00		
Ward, P. M., medical attendance	<b>2</b>	00	\$78	49
LOUIS OUILLETTE and	famil	v.		
LOUIS OUTHERING and		,.		
Town of Caribou, supplies		,.	<b>\$</b> 4	00
		,.	<b>\$</b> 4	00
Town of Caribou, supplies			<b>\$</b> 4 <b>\$1</b> 38	
Town of Caribou, supplies JUDITH B. PIKE.				
Town of Caribou, supplies JUDITH B. PIKE. Maine Insane Hospital, board &c MRS. ELLEN PELKEY and		ly.		
Town of Caribou, supplies JUDITH B. PIKE. Maine Insane Hospital, board &c	l fami \$4	ly.		

MRS. ELIZABETH RIDI	EOUT.		
Hunter, G. B., milk	<b>\$</b> 6	89	
Houlton Wood & Coal Co., wood		00	
Slipp, Benj. J., milk	2 :	26	<b>\$1</b> 1 15
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MRS. GEORGIA A. SM	ITH.		
Town of Skowhegan, ticket &c			<b>\$</b> 7 25
MRS. MARY WRIGHT'S	child		
Lane & Pearce, supplies	<b>\$</b> 1	90	
Whitehead, Augusta, board	<sup>"</sup> 10	00	
Webber, L. K., board &c	44	<b>28</b>	
Smith, A. T., boots		50	<b>\$</b> 56 68
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JANE WATSON.			
Benson, Mary J., board &c	\$127	50	
Tenney, C. P. & Son, supplies	4	15	<b>\$</b> 131 65
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WM. W. WHITE and fa	amily.		
Grant, Alice, nursing	\$17	50	
Millar, J. A., supplies	3	00	
Ward, Parker M., medical attendance &c	42	00	
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies		78	
Somerville, S. L., supplies	2	<b>34</b>	
Dyer, L. W., supplies	4	54	
Phillips, Medora, nursing	3	00	
Williams, C. E., medical attendance	3	50	
Gillin, E. A. & Co., supplies	4	50	
Perks Bros., medicine		50	<b>\$</b> 90 66
MAGGIE WILLS			
MAGGIE WILLS. Dickison, T. S., medical attendance	\$20	00	
Waugh, Catherine M., nursing		00	
De Grass, Mrs. A. W., board &c		43	
French, O. F., medicine		80	<b>\$</b> 51 23
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EVA WHITE.			
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance			\$12 00
This bill has been paid by the town of	f Hods	gdon	
ROBERT WILSON		,	

Anderson, G. W., nursing

\$3 00

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Bachelder, J. C., board and nursing Mann, F. W., medical attendance	550 650 <b>\$</b>	15  00

## Transient and Other Paupers.

Chamberlain boy, shoes \$	<b>2</b>	25		
Hanson J., medical attendance & medicine	<b>2</b>	00		
McNeil, Mrs. E., ticket home	9	00		
Foster, George and children, tickets home	18	00		
Fuller, John W., ticket home	10	00		
Duffy, Charles, ticket home	<b>3</b>	60		
Evans, Elisha, ticket home	<b>7</b>	30		
Drost, Mr. and Mrs. Odber, supplies	2	50		
Trefry, Mrs. supplies	-	23		
Bubar, Sadie, medical attendance & medicin	e 5	00	\$61	88

\$ 1,738 91

## TOWN FARM.

Aroostook Times, paper	<b>\$</b> 4 00
Benson, Thomas, beef	$10 \ 18$
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies	21 77
Cogan, James, plow	<b>14 0</b> 0
Conlogue & Taggett, labor	$34 \ 25$
Chadwick & Davis, lumber	$18\ 52$
Cook, F. L., supplies	$35 \ 26$
Dykeman, W. A., fertilizer	$51 \ 00$
Deasy, James H., beef	8 96
Dyer, L. W., supplies	$2 \ 37$
Ebbett, T. W. repairs	$2^{-}40$
Friedman, S., supplies	16 $12$
Fox Brothers, supplies	$25 \hspace{0.1in} 90$
French, O. F., medicine	8 80
Fogg, Á. H. & Co., hardware	29 69
Gillin, E. A. & Co., supplies	18 55
Gentle & Ludwig, insurance	$63 \ 00$
Gallagher, Wm., labor	1 00
Gilman, W. S. & Son, paper	1 00
Houlton, Lyman, supplies	26  15
Harper, I. M., labor	$1\ 25$
Hallett, J. A., labor	4 50
Houlton Woolen Mill, supplies	$4 \ 70$
Houlton Furniture Co., supplies	7 50
Hamilton & Webber, supplies	$12 \ 18$
Harper, Wilmot, labor	1 50
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Hanson, Ward, labor	1 50
Hafford, James, labor	1 87
Hammond, George, turnips	1 00
Ingraham Clothing Co., supplies	4 40
	13 40
Lane & Pearce, supplies McDonald, W. W., blacksmithing	580
Monchan Fred repairs	16 29
Monahan, Fred, repairs	$\begin{array}{c} 10 & 29 \\ 25 & 50 \end{array}$
Madigan & Madigan, corn &c	
Monson, A. B., supplies	11 67
McLeod & Whitcomb, supplies	4 59
Mansur, Phil., shoes	2 25
McLellan, H. A., supplies	45
McNutt, James, labor	9 00
McNair, George, labor	17 00
Millar, John A., supplies	$32\ 42$
Merritt, E. & Sons, supplies	$16 \ 63$
McElwee, Dennis, deed of land	$200 \ 00$
Nickerson, Geo. Q., ext. teeth	1 50
Newhouse, Oscar, supplies	17 66
Niles, Charles, teams	1 50
Obey, J. H., pigs	3 00
Osborne, S. A., peas	2 00
Perks Bros., medicine	
	$\begin{array}{c} 45 50 \\ 45 50 \end{array}$
Phillips, R. S., supplies	<b>4</b> 5 50 3 50
Palmer, R. A., supplies	$\begin{array}{c} 5 & 50 \\ 18 & 25 \end{array}$
Putnam, H. L., medical attendance	
Riley, John, fish	16 27
Richards, G. W., supplies	48
Scott, Mrs. Ann, cow	26 00
Smith, L. E., supplies	13 45
Sheehan, D., repairs	6 90
Somerville, S. L., supplies	2 10
Smith Bros., labor &c	481 17
Skillin, Warren, tobacco	5 $85$
Tenney, C. P. & Son, supplies	10 03
Taggett, David W., overseer	368 00
Taggett, David W., stove	$35 \ 00$
Taber, Silas W., repairs &c	$22 \ 00$
Titcomb, F. W., sawing lumber	2 32
Taggett, Harry, labor	6 50
Turney, R. L., hardware	30 77
Weed, W. E., meat	29 33
Weeks, Wm., pigs	6 00
Watson, John, hardware	16 12
Williams, C. E., medical attendance	1 90
	1 00

Wilson, Chas. H., supplies	33  12
Woodbury, E. & Co., supplies	10 25 \$2,009 89

#### TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

Appraisal March 1st, 1900.

1 horse,	<b>\$</b> 25	00		
1 horse,	60	00		
3 cows,	60	00		
1 heifer, 3 years old,	18	00		
1 heifer, 2 years old,	15	00		
1 calf,	4	00		
2 pigs,	4	00		
10 tons of hay,	85	00		
3 tons of straw,	9	00		
175 bushels oats,	70	00		
15 bushels mixed grain,	5	00		
50 bhls. potatoes,	67	50		
Provisions,	25	00		
Tools, wagons, furniture &c	169	00	\$ 616	50

\$2,626 39

Appraisal	March	1st,	1901.
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1 horse,	<b>\$</b> 40	00
1 horse,	100	00
5 cows,	100	00
1 heifer, 3 years old	18	00
2 yearling heifers,	20	00
1 calf,	5	00
1 hog,	10	00
1 pig,	5	00
7 tons hay,	70	00
2 tons straw,	6	00
50 bbls. potatoes,	60	00
60 bushels oats,	21	00
80 bushels barley and oats,	32	00
Provisions and supplies,	55	00
Tools, wagons, furniture &c	120	00
	\$662	00

Butter,	off tl 3124 38 13	60 10	ırm.			
Calves,	19	00				
Sale of old wood lot to A. W. I	Madig	gan,	\$175 250		<b>\$1,0</b> 87	70
Manure from Fire Departn	aent,		<u></u>		<b>\$1,</b> 538 25	69 00
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Net expense of farm	1,		#0.9KA	ሰሰ	\$1,563	νJ
Amount appropriated,		ė	\$2,350	96		
Balance from last year,			0	90		
Rec'd of agent of Passamaquoo						
Indians, acct. Joseph Gabr	lei 10	r	c	25		
year 1899			0	20		
Cash for supplies furnished Mrs	<b>.</b>		•	~~		
Slaiger, year 1899,			-	00		
Geo. H. T. Stevenson, pay't acc			_	00		
Cash of John Dempsey, on acc			8	00		
Cash from State acct. State H						
W. R. London and John M			370	80		
Cash on acct. William Homan						
am't deposit in Houlton S	Javing	gs≯	6	80		
Bank,		)				
Town of New Limerick, Mrs. 6	frant					
and child,				00		
Town of Hodgdon, Eva White	acct.		12	00		
Town of Caribou, Mrs. Jos. Cyr	r acct		3	<b>20</b>		
Town of Monticello, Mrs. Ada	Curti	s ac	ct. 22	05		
Amount overdrawn,					\$3,302	60
Expense of Paupers off the far	m		1,738	91		
Expense of Farm,			1 563	69	\$3,302	60
Laponoo or Farm,			1,000		40,000	

#### Paupers now at the Farm.

Mary Wilson, Louise Bowlby, Albert Pelkey, George Calvin, Isaac Smith,	Age. 46 yrs. 75 " 76 " 80 " 61 "	Henry B. Cressey, Melvin McNally, John Smith, James Forrest, John McCarron,	Age 82 yrs 64 " 50 " 74 " 67 "
Jeremiah Hanson,	59 "	g <b>04444 010 VW</b> (1997)	

Paupers who have been kept on the farm during the past year and discharged :

Jonathan Stockford Naomi Stockford Hattie Crockett Theodore Wright Joseph J. Elliott Isabel Elliott,

Howard Lindsey Delilah Lindsey Edna Lindsey John Lindsey Freddie Lindsey Verna Lindsey

A bath room, closets, water tank, force pump and hose for protection in case of fire, have been put into the farmhouse this year, and some other necessary repairs made. A larger number than ever before have been kept, and several more would have been sent to the farm, if there had been room for them. A few more rooms can be finished off in the third story and this should be done next year, as a matter of economy, as it is better for the town, in many ways, to care for its paupers at the almshouse, than elsewhere. Calls for help by the poor have been larger than usual this year, and in most cases it would have saved one-fourth the expense, if such help could have been furnished at the farm. For additional rooms at the farmhouse, for purchasing agricultural tools for the farm, for support of the poor, and to cover the overdraw of this year, we recommend \$2,850 be raised.

#### CEMETERIES.

Amount appropriated, Balance from year 1899, Amount from Hannah J. Bailey fund,	\$300 00 16 73 9 06	<b>\$</b> 325 79
Adams, John A., labor Boone, Chas. E., labor Fogg, A. H. & Co., supplies Hiscock, Elias, labor McCluskey Bros., breaking roads Smith Bros., labor and material Watson, John, supplies Wiley, J. W., services Balance unexpended,	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	\$325 79

All the town cemeteries have been cared for as usual. In Evergreen Cemetery more of the old roads have been cleaned out and made passable, the foundation of the Wind mill rebuilt and other necessary repairs and improvements made throughout the grounds. Some 375 feet of additional pipe was also laid in various parts of the cemetery to facilitate watering and sprinkling the lots. This cemetery should be enlarged at once, but before doing so the Selectmen have thought it best to bring the matter before the town, and it should be taken up when the appropriation for cemeteries is considered.

For cemeteries we recommend the sum of \$300.00 be raised, besides whatever sum is appropriated for enlarging the same.

#### STREET LIGHTS.

Amount appropriated, Balance from year 1899,	\$1,350 59	00 40	\$1,409	40
<ul> <li>Houlton Electric Co., electric lights for streets, town hall and engine house,</li> <li>E. Merritt &amp; Sons, electric lights for streets, town lock-up and approaches</li> </ul>	\$1,323	34		
thereto,		40		
Balance unexpended,	44	66	\$1,409	40

At the same prices we are now paying, it will take \$1,381.40 to pay for all the present lights for one year. If no new lights are added, with the above unexpended balance, \$1,350.00 will be sufficient to appropriate.

#### FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Amount appropriated, Amount received from State,	\$300 00 10 00	\$310 00
Amount paid M. M. Clark, Treas. of Houlton Public Library,		\$310 00
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We recommend the same amount as last year, \$300.00 be raised for the Public Library.

Ninety books were presented to the Library last year and 338 purchased by the Trustees, making the total number now 1187. The Library is patronized by all classes of our citizens and the call for books is steadily increasing. During the year 1900, eight thousand eight hundred and six books were taken out. MEMORIAL DAY.

Amount appropriated,	\$100	00
Amount paid G. H. Smith, Quartermaster		
A. P. Russell Post, G. A. R.,	100	00

For the proper observance of Memorial Day we recommend the usual appropriation of \$100.00 to be expended under the supervision of A. P. Russell Post, G. A. R.

#### STATE MILITIA.

Amount appropriated, Balance from year 1899,	\$100 00 100 00	
Amount paid Frank A. Peabody, Cap Co. L.,	)t.	<b>\$</b> 200 00
We recommend the sum of \$100.	00 be raised	for Militia

We recommend the sum of \$100.00 be raised for Militia purposes.

#### INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Amount appropriated,	\$2,800 66	$\begin{array}{c} 00\\00 \end{array}$		
Balance from year 1899, Interest of Houlton Savings Bank on Hannah J. Bailey fund,		06		
Interest on taxes, collected and paid to Treasurer by M. Lawlis, coll.,	400	00		
			\$3,275	06
To paid interest as follows :				
Houlton Sav. Bank on orders Nos. 80,				
195, 336, 434, 472,	90	66		
Llewellyn Powers on orders Nos. 993,				
994, 995, 996, 575,	160	75		
E. L. Cleveland on order No. 210,	31	55		
Silas T. Plummer on order No. 252,	- 30	00		
Am't to Cemetery acc't for care of				
Bailey lot,	9	06		
Coupons on Town Bonds,	2,800	00		
Am't transferred to Disct. & Com. acct.	1.4 - 0			
Balance unexpended,	´ 3	04	\$3,275	06

By reissuing part of the town bonds at three and one-half, in place of four per cent., the amount required to pay interest on the town debt next year is \$2,575. To pay this and interest on temporary loans during the summer, we think \$2,-650.00 should be appropriated.

## DISCOUNTS, COMMISSIONS AND ABATEMENTS.

Amount appropriated, Balance from year 1899, Am't from interest account, Am't from Town Officers account,	\$3,850 3 150 100	90 00	\$4,103	90
DISCOUNTS.				
Five per cent. discount on taxes of 1900 paid to F. A. Gellerson, Treasurer before Nov. 1st, 1900,	\$2,125	41		
COMMISSIONS,				
Martin Lawlis, Collector, commissions in full to March 1st, 1900,	\$400	00		
Martin Lawlis, Collector, part pay-	ψ100	00		
ment of commissions this year,	240	00		
ABATEMENTS.				
M. Lawlis, Coll. on 1895 taxes,	<b>\$</b> 19	51		
" " " 1896 "	668			
" " " 1897 "	109	-		
" " " 1898 "		68		
" " " 1899 "		87		
" " " <u>" 1900</u> "	43	31		
All other abatements,	350			
Balance unexpended,	1	15	\$4,103	90
<u> </u>	<u></u>			

For this appropriation we recommend \$3,900 be raised.

### **MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.**

Aroostook County, rent of lockup	<b>\$</b> 25 00
Aroostook Times, printing	21 25
Albright, Chas., labor	3 00
Albright, Fred, labor	1 50
B. & A. R. R., freight	1 29
Benn, H. R., painting	2 00
Brewer, Wilmot, services	110 50

Bonnell, J. B., constable	$6\ 50$
Bamford, E. A., team	50
Burleigh, Preston N., surveying	6 50
Buzzell, O. B., meals	11 00
Browne, J. A., ballot clerk	10 00
Clough, L. T., services	4 50
Clark, Michael M., recording births,	
deaths &c	32/85
Carroll, Chas., ballot clerk	$10 \ 00$
Clark, Michael M., postage	2 00
Donnell, W. C., insurance	18 00
Fitzmaurice, T. J., certificates	14 75
Fogg, Chas. H., cash paid out	3 00
Fogg, A. H. & Co., supplies	4 25
Gidney, A. W., lumber &c	$6 \ 45$
Glancy, Mrs. John, cleaning	1 50
Gilman, W. S. & Son, printing	$24^{-}79$
Gillin, Henry, team &c	70
Goodiell, Wesley, services	3 00
Gellerson, Frank A., postage	4 00
Gellerson, Frank A., election clerk	10 00
Helms, Henry R., damages	450 00
Heywood, A. P., use of hall	20 00
Houlton Water Co., water	5 00
Hamilton & Webber, supplies	1 25
Hiscock, Elias, services	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{00}$
	$\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{20}{20}$
Houlton Foundry & M. Co., repairs	$6$ $\overline{75}$
Hatheway, H. J. supplies Kinlin Burnay trucking	$\frac{1}{2}$ 50
Kirlin, Barney, trucking	93 00
Lyons, C. A., printing	$50 \ 64$
Loring, Short & Harmon, books &c	1 00
Lamb, H. A., team	8 00
Lawlis, Martin, services	26  78
Lawlis, Martin, costs in tax deed	
Madigan & Madigan, professional services	21 00
Mansur, Wallace, wood	238 30
Miller, S. C., clerical work	10 00
McCluskey Bros., painting hearse	8 50
Mooers, S. S., services	46 25
Orriss, H. M., printing town bonds	$16 \ 85$
Putnam, T. P., cash paid out	$10 \ 0.05 \ 10 \ 25$
Putnam, H. L., certificates	10 25 1 50
Peabody, R. T., services	
Powers, Don A. H., professional services	$50 \ 00$
Ryan, Joseph, teams	1 20

Rackliff, A., team	1	<b>25</b>		
Studebaker Bros., repairs	12	50		
Sinclair, James H., services	10	50		
Smart, A. B., services	<b>5</b>	00		
Sparrow, A. B., book		25		
Smith, O. M., supplies	3	50		
Smith, James, services	4	00		
Sheehan, Dennis, election clerk	10	00		
Sleeper, C. H. Jr., damages	5	00		
Taggett, D. W., services	$\overline{7}$	50		
Tupper, Sherman, labor	1	00		
Williams, C. E., services &c	10	65		
Woodard, Florence, cleaning	1	50		
Whitney, W. R., sheep killed by dogs	4	00		
Weeks, Wm., meals	12	00		
White, E. B., care of clock,	20	75		
White, C. P., care of clock	6	00		
Amount carried to town debt acct.	4,000	00		
Balance unexpended	164	63	\$5,744	83
1				
Amount appropriated,	\$1,000	00		
Balance from year 1899	<b>4</b>	46		
Damages to sheep from State,	4	00		
License fees,	46	00		
Dog licenses, 1899, refunded by State	130	49		
Supplementary taxes year 1900,	9	07		
Premium on 37 town bonds,	1,202	50		
R. R. and telegraph tax, from State,	1,202	00		
	1,202			
Rent of hall for militia, from State,		04		
Rent of hall for militia, from State, List of voters sold.	55	04		
List of voters sold,	55 100	04 00		
List of voters sold, McCluskey Bros., rent of hearse	55 100 25	04 00 50		
List of voters sold, McCluskey Bros., rent of hearse Supplementary taxes year 1895	55 100 25	04 00 50 00 00		
List of voters sold, McCluskey Bros., rent of hearse	55 100 25 7	04 00 50 00 00 59		
List of voters sold, McCluskey Bros., rent of hearse Supplementary taxes year 1895 Overlay. Assessment 1897	$55 \\ 100 \\ 25 \\ 7 \\ 748 \\ 334 \\ 1,234$	04 00 50 00 00 59 82 76		
List of voters sold, McCluskey Bros., rent of hearse Supplementary taxes year 1895 Overlay. Assessment 1897 " 1898	$55 \\ 100 \\ 25 \\ 7 \\ 748 \\ 334 \\ 1,234$	04 00 50 00 00 59 82 76	\$5,744	83

For Miscellaneous Bills we recommend the usual appropriation of \$1000.

	TOWN	DEBT.	
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Amount appropriated,	\$1,000 00
Am't from miscellaneous acct.,	4,000 00 \$5,000 00
Am't paid on bonded debt,	\$3,000 00

Paid Town orders Nos. 993 and 994 on Pleasant St. School house loan,

2,000 00 \$5,000 00

Besides paying Mr. Henry R. Helms \$450.00 and abating his taxes for two years, for damages received at Town Engine house, for which there was no appropriation, the town debt has been reduced \$5,000.00 during the past year. Of which amount, \$1,000.00 was raised at the last annual meeting, \$1,202.50 was received as premium on \$37,000.00 three and one-half per cent. Town Bonds issued to refund four per cent. Town Bonds and the balanee was from savings made in appropriations during the last four years, and credit for same is due to the co-operation of the School Committee, Supervisor, Road Commissioner and Selectmen for each of the years 1897, 1898, 1899 and 1900 in keeping within the appropriations.

None of the Town debt is due in 1901, but we recommend that the usual amount of \$1090 be raised and paid on the debt or kept for that purpose.

#### TOWN OFFICERS.

Amount appropriated,	\$1,500	00	
Amount appropriated for superintend-			
ent,	300	00	
Balance from 1899,	85	16	\$1,885 16
-			
Putnam, Thomas P., (Selectmen, Over-	\$500		
Pearce, Frank W., Assessors. High-	$\geq 250$		
Putnam, Thomas P., Pearce, Frank W., Dykeman Wallace A.	) 175	00	
Gellerson, Frank A., Treasurer,	175	00	
Gorham, Geo. A., Auditor,	50	00	
Clark, Michael M., Town Clerk,	25	00	
Hersey, Ira G., Town Agent,	144	13	
Putnam, Harry L., Superintendent,	300	00	
Dempsey, James, Truant Officer,	50	00	
Williams, Chas. E., Health Officer,	35	00	
Smart, A. B., Health Officer,	30	00	
Archibald, James, Health Officer,	30	00	
Am't transferred to Disc't and Com. ac	ct., 100	00	
Balance unexpended,		03	

\$1,885 16

We recommend \$1,500.00 be raised for Town Officers.

### MARTIN LAWLIS, Collector.

In account with the Town of Houlton.

1900		
Mar 4.	To balance 1895 taxes	<b>\$</b> 149 45
	" " 1896 "	1,636 35
	" " 1897 "	$1.151 \ 34$
	" " 1898 "	2,683 11
	" " 1899 "	10,004 41
	" interest on 1898 taxes	100 00
	" " " 1899 "	300 00
	" 1895 Supplementary taxes	s 700
	" int. & costs in 1899 tax deed	
		16,063 95
Dec.	To bal. 1900 taxes,	10,388 80
	,	

1000

\$26,452 75

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By cash and abatements in full for 1895 taxes								45		
	By cash and abatements on 1896 taxes,							00		
	By cash and abatements on 1897 taxes,							00		
	-	18	98 tax				1,871	12		
		18	99 tax				7,362	17		
	Бу	19	$00  ext{ tax}$	abaten es,	ients of	1	1,300	00		
	· (1)-		: 1	Deeds a eds,	\$79	20				
	( In	osts : tere:	in dee st in d	eas, ds, leeds,	$rac{26}{5}$	$\frac{78}{51}$	111	49		
1004						\$	12,576	23		
1901	-									
Mar 1.				taxes,						
	"		1897		401	34				
			1898		911	99				
	"'	"	1899	"	2,863	<b>04</b>				
	""	"	1900	"	9,088	80	13,876		26,452	2 7 J

## FINANCIAL STANDING, &c.

### LIABILITIES.

Town Bonds, Nos. 41 to 70, 4 per o	ent.		
\$1000 each,		\$30,000	00
Town Bonds, Nos. 71 to 107, 3 1-2 per cent.,		400,000	00
\$1000 each,	per centry	37,000	00
Accrued interest on bonds to Mar.	1. 1901.	769	
Town order No. 995, due Nov. 1, 1902,		1,000	
Town order No. 996, due Nov. 1, 1903,		1,000	
Accrued interest on said orders,			66
Hannah J. Bailey, cemetery fund,		300	
Outstanding claims, estimated,		500	
		\$70,576	46
ASSETS.			
		@010	90
Cash on hand March 1, 1901,		\$948	29
Hannah J. Bailey fund-deposited	in	300	00
Houlton Savings Bank,			39
Note of Wm. E. Hovey,	@@11_9%	00	09
Uncollected taxes, 1896, " 1897	$     \$611 \ 35 \\     401 \ 34 $		
1001,	911 99		
1000,	2,863 04		
1000,	•	@13.876	59
" " 1900,	9,088 80	\$13,876	04
Tay Doods		260	59
Tax Deeds, Outstanding claims, estimated,		400	
Outstanding claims, estimated,			00
		\$15,853	79
	ODEDTV	<i>*-o,ooo</i>	• •
OTHER TOWN P		<b>`</b>	
Farm and wood lot,	\$3,650 00		
Personal property on farm,	677 00		
Town Hall and lot,	4,750 00	)	
Highway tools, wagons, snowplows	5	<b>`</b>	
and Road Machines,	525 00		
Town Hearse,	$   \begin{array}{c}     200 & 00 \\     400 & 00   \end{array} $		
Gravel lots,			
Lumber, wood, coal and tar,	100 00		
Fire department property and 3 ho	$150\ 0$	, )	
Engine house and lot near C. P. R.	, 150 00		
School Property,	41,000 00	,	
		- 5 59,652	00
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## **RECOMMENDATIONS.**

Support of poor,	\$2,850 00
Discounts, abatements and commissions,	3,900 00
Interest,	$2,650\ 00$
Town officers,	1,500 00
Superintendent of schools,	300 00
Miscellaneous bills,	1,000 00
Roads, bridges, sidewalks & Road Commissioner,	, 6,000 00
Public library,	300 00
Memorial day,	100 00
Militia,	100 00
Schools,	6,000 00
Free High School,	2,000 00
Repairs on school buildings,	600 00
School books,	800 00
Insurance on school buildings,	200 00
Sidewalks in winter,	350 00
Street lights,	1,350 00
Fire department, police and hydrants,	5,750 00
Cemeteries,	300 00
Town debt,	1,000 00
Respectfully submitted,	
THOMAS P. PUTNAM, )	Selectmen,
FRANK W. PEARCE,	- Overseers of
W. A. DYKEMAN,	- Overseers of Poor, &c.
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Houlton, Me., March 1st, 1901.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRANK A. GELLERSON, Treasurer,	,				
In account with	the Tow	n of	Ho	ulte	on.
Mar. 1, 1900					
To balance cash in treasury, \$	1,872	76			
" tax deeds 1894–5–6–7	228	57			
""""1898	69	30			
" balance taxes 1895–6–7–8	5,620	25			
" " " 1899	10,004	41			
-		\$	17,79	95	29
Rec'd from John Coffy, supplies fur-					
nished Mrs. Slaggar and family			\$	3	00
Rec'd from agent Passamaquoddy In-					
dians, supplies furnished Joe Ga-					
briel and family,				6	25
Rec'd from town of New Limerick, su	p-				

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plies &c, furnished Alice Grant and child,	10	00
Rec'd from town of Caribou, expenses Mrs. Joe Cyr,	3	20
Rec'd from town of Monticello, expenses Ada Curtis,	22	05
Rec'd from town of Hodgdon, supplies furnished Eva White,	12	00
Rec'd from Geo. Stevenson acct. aid fur- nished,	1	00
Rec'd from Houlton Savings Bank acct. Wm. Homan,		80
Rec'd from John Dempsy, """ McCluskey Bros. rent of hearse,	25	00 00
" " State, 1899 dog tax refunded, " " State pensions,	$\begin{array}{c} 130 \\ 240 \end{array}$	00
" " " support of Paupers, " " " Free High School,	$370 \\ 250 \\ 10$	00
" " " Public Library, " " " Rent of Armory,	100	
" " Damages to sheep by dogs " " Bounty on wild cats, " " Bailroad and Telegraph tax.	<b>2</b>	00 00 04
" " School fund and mill tax,	3,651	
" for Freight rebate, " " License fees, " " Tuitions,		00
" " Int. on Hannah J. Bailey fund, " " Dog Licenses 1900,		06
" " Land sold, " " Check List sold,	250	00 50
" " Potatoes sold off farm, " " Butter " " "	$\begin{array}{c} 124\\ 38\end{array}$	60 10
" " Calves " " " " " Cedar "	13 10	00 74
" " Tar " " " Plank "	1	50 00
" " Iron pipe " " School books sold and rented,	10	00 10
" " Concreting private parties, " " Crossings " "	201 23	55 17
Temporary Loans as follows :		

Order No. 80 Houlton Savings Bank, 1,500 00

	" 195	"		OFFICE	1.000			
"		E. L. Cl			2,000			
			Plummer		2,000			
- 4			Savings		2,000			
"	" 434		. Navingo ((	<i>i</i> ,	1,000			
"	" 472		"	"	500			
""		L. Powe	ers,		1,000		11,000	00
Sale o	of Bonds	3 Nos. 70	to 107 in	- clusive.			37,000	00
		above bor		,			1,202	
	n 1898		7				100	
66 é	· 1899	"					300	
Supp	len.entai	y tax 18	95 by col	lector,				00
	"		00 " trea					07
Int. a	ind costs	s on 1899	tax deed	з,				29
Cash	tax asse	essed for	1900,				52,897	03
						\$	126,393	87
			CR	•				
By P		nty on w						00
"		Pension					240	
"		Licenses_					114	
"		ons on B					2,800	00
"		ix in full					6,857	69
""		tax in f					8,296	74
"			s. 993 & 9				2,000	00
			1 to 40		ve,		40,000	65
 М	Paid Toy	wn Order	s for 190	0,			50,929	00
			$\frac{1}{2}$ ce as foll		@1 797	79		
Unpa "		1000, 9	7, '98, '99	,	\$4,787 9,088			
			<b>'07</b>		9,088			
1 a x (	4 ieeus, 10	894, '96, 898	<i>.</i> ,			95		
"		899				00		
	10	Hovey,				39		
	in Trea				948		15,153	79
Cash								

FRANK A. GELLERSON, Town Treasurer.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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

The Treasurer's account contains an accurate statement of all moneys received and paid out, and the Selectmen's report gives an itemized account of expenditures under the various appropriations.

The bonded debt of the Town has been reduced \$3000.00 during the past year, and the sum of \$2000.00 has been paid on the Pleasant Street school house debt. The total town debt is now \$69,000.00, while one year ago it was \$74,000.00. By re-issuing \$37,000.00 Town Bonds at three and one-half per cent., in place of four per cent. bonds, the Selectmen have also made an annual saving of \$185.00 in interest for the town.

The tax deeds are as follows:			
Robert P. McNally, tax 1894	28 54		
M. H. Small, tax 1896	$24\ 70$		
H. O. Nickerson, tax 1896	$13\ 14$		
Frank A. Herrick, tax 1896	20 $85$		
Fred O. Smith, tax 1896	$13\ 14$		
Lionel T. Clough, tax 1896	14 11		
Patrick Cassidy, tax 1897	$23 \ 03$		
James W. Plummer, tax 1897	$10 \ 13$		
James W. Plummer, tax 1898	$9 \ 02$		
Richard Dilling, tax 1898	20 93	177	59
Tax deeds acquired in 1900:			
J. K. Champeon, tax 1899	\$16 21		
Mary M. Oldenburg, tax 1899	4 83		
Heirs of Nathan Park, tax 1899	6 79		
James W. Plummer, tax 1899	954		
Gibson & Fleming, tax 1899	<b>45</b> 63	83	00
Total,		\$260	50

**\$**260 59

The gross amount of uncollected taxes is \$13,876.52, being \$1748.14 less than a year ago, and altogether there has been a good improvement in the finances of the town during the year.

GEO. A. GORHAM, Auditor.

Houlton, March 1, 1901.

## **REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER.**

#### To the Citizens of Houlton:

I herewith respectfully submit to you my report for past year as Road Commissioner.

During the spring and summer of 1900 both road machines were kept at work just as long as money at hand would allow. It being a very wet and unfavorable season for making roads a great many jobs had to be gone over twice, and even then satisfactory roads could not be obtained for want of suitable weather.

Gravel and other material was hauled as usual to different parts of the town and roads fixed and repaired as well as possible.

### DRAINS AND CULVERTS.

A good drain was put in on south side of Main St., from a point opposite A. H. Fogg & Co's. store. Said drain runs down Main St. to O. F. French's corner, thence down Court St. to a point near Harrigan's store where it empties into Bailey brook. Good substantial cedar culverts have been put in as follows:

Military road	3	White Settlement road	4
Beek road	2	Spring street	1
Ludlow road	1	Foxcroft road	<b>2</b>

#### Total

There is need of many more being put in next year. All lumber used in this work was cedar.

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#### SIDEWALKS.

Last season lumber was very scarce and cost high, it being almost impossible to obtain good hemlock plank at any price.

We laid new plank walks on part of Park, High and Spring streets and repaired others so as to make them serve the purpose the year out.

Next year there are many walks to build over either with plank or concrete.

We laid concrete on following streets:

 Maple
 street
 261
 2-3
 yds.

 Pleasant
 \*
 804
 2-3
 \*'

 Main
 \*
 121
 1-3
 \*'

Kelleran	"	250	"
High	"	76 2-3	"'
Total		1156 1-3	vds.

The cost per square yard was 65c. this year on account of labor costing more than previous years.

Have laid concrete walks for following private individuals: W W Mallonuld 16 2-3 vds

W. W. McDonaud	to ∠-o_y	as.
J. E. Burnham	38 1-3	"
A. H. Fogg & Co.	$71 \ 2-3$	"
J. Q. Adams	22	"
Mrs. M. A. Bickford	$13\ 1-2$	"
O. M. Smith	13	"
A. T. Smith	$18\ 1-2$	"
I. H. Davis	$7 \ 1-2$	"
C. H. Berry	5	"
O. L. Clough	3 2-3	"
Mrs. M. A. Putnam	<b>12</b>	"
Mrs. A. B. Monson	58	"
Total	279 2.3	**

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## BRIDGES.

This is a subject which but few of our tax payers consider but very little. We have forty-two bridges to keep in repair, and repairing bridges is a very expensive item with the present high cost of lumber. The stringers used under some of our bridges are 12 x 12 x 42 ft. long and we had to pay as high as \$25.00 per M last season for such lumber. The Niles bridge across the "B" stream, so called, was built over new last season. The bridge at Hammond's mill, across same stream, was repaired with new stringers and top partly renewed. The Garland bridge was built over all new for which it took stringers 41 feet long. The Innis bridge, so called, was built over with new stringers and new top. It took for this job alone 10 stringers 42 ft. long, 12 x 12, it being a two span bridge. The iron bridge at foot of Union Square was re-planked and we used in this work over 12,000 ft. of spruce plank. Beside above mentioned work minor repairs were made on other bridges for which no special appropriations were made. The bridge across Hodgdon Stream at Cary's Mills was all torn out and built new from bottom of stream and those who took interest enough in the work as it progressed to examine it and have looked it over, are satisfied

that it is a good, substantial job. What lumber was left from this work is all piled up on land owned by John Watson and known as the old Foundry lot at Cary's Mills, and can be used and will be wanted next season for culverts and other purposes.

Both iron bridges in the village need re-painting very badly, and the bridge at foot of Mechanic St. will have to be replanked early in the spring to insure safety to travel. This should have been done last season but there was not funds to do the work with.

For the second time allow me to call your attention to the wharfing at bridge across Cressey brook which is in very bad shape. This is a job that must be done next season and will be expensive. The bridge across Pearce brook on Green St. is badly out of repair and will need attention next season.

#### CROSSINGS.

Have put in three more granite Crossings this year. One at foot of Market Square, one across Mechanic St. and one across Main St. Price paid for this material was 48c per foot, same as last year. Private Crossings have been put in for different parties the past season, payment for which, as well as for concrete work, you will find accounted for in the Treasurer's and Selectmen's report.

#### ROCK CRUSHER.

I hope the tax payers of Houlton will duly consider this important subject in a different light than heretofore. I have called your attention to this matter the last few years only to have the article passed over at each annual town meeting. The town ought to own a rock crusher, if we ever expect to have good, modern roads.

#### TOOLS.

All tools belonging to the road department will be found in good repair. Not having room to store same under cover on town premises I have been obliged to secure storage from private parties in order to keep them in proper condition.

Have added to the equipment this year one winter road machine at a cost of \$50.00. The town now owns two summer and two winter road machines. We need two more winter road machines which can, with proper management, be added from time to time. Have found that with use of these winter machines better roads can be had and maintained at a less cost than the old way of breaking roads. A great many tax payers in the village are of the opinion that the country roads do not need much money expended upon them but that more should be expended on streets and less on the country roads. I admit that more should be laid out on some of our principal streets but I also claim that people in the country are entitled to good passable roads, both summer and winter, and when not enough is appropriated for both purposes I believe it should be divided in the best possible way. This I have tried to do as best I could. Many tax payers do not have any idea of the needs of our country roads or the work required on them. In conclusion would say that I respectfully refer you to report of Selectmen, where an accurate account will be found of all money expended by me the past year. Respectfully yours,

H. EDBLAD, Road Commissioner.

## **REPORT OF S. S. COMMITTEE.**

The annual census taken in April, 1900, showed that there were 1444 children in this town between the ages of 4 and 21 years. An increase of 122 during the last two years.

Since 1895 the town has appropriated the sum of \$750 each year for free text books.

This is a small amount when it is considered that there are nearly 1000 pupils enrolled in our schools. It means an expense of but 75 cents per scholar for the entire year.

The sum of \$800 should be appropriated this year to keep the different schools well supplied with text books and paper for school use.

The common schools of the town have been in session thirty-four weeks during the past school year.

Commendable advancement has been made with but few exceptions. The average attendance in the schools throughout the town has been good, although in some instances sickness has interfered.

It has been gratifying to observe that a larger percentage of our pupils remain in school throughout the advanced grades than heretofore. This increase has been gradually taking place during the last two years since the present complete arrangement of our public schools was established.

Only a few changes have been made among the teachers. 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 Lowrey, Moose Brook and Foxcroft schools have been closed the entire year. These schools are not able to maintain an average attendance of 8 scholars, as required by law. The children in these localities are conveyed to other schools at the expense of the town.

More or less repairing is required every year upon the various school buildings.

In almost every case where improvements have been made there is noticeable an increased interest on the part of parents and pupils alike, and a correspondingly marked progress in deportment and studies in the school.

Frederick A. Powers felt obliged to retire from the Board owing to his duties on the Bench and his successor will have to be elected.

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

The work of our Free High School continues to be eminently satisfactory.

There are three regular courses of study. The English course is intended to give those students who do not intend to continue their studies beyond this school a thorough training in the common English branches and also in the sciences and higher English. Realizing the deficiency of students of the present time, in their ability to write and speak the English language well, an effort has been made to give as thorough a course in English Grammar, Rhetoric and Literature as possible.

The Latin Scientific course includes the study of Latin in addition to English and the sciences:

The College Preparatory course prepares pupils for admission to any college in this State.

Music continues to be taught in our High and Grammar schools. Daily lessons are given in each room of these grades. We have also made a beginning of a library and of proper apparatus for scientific study for our schools.

The teachers of our High School are :

Fred W. Burrill, A. B., Bates College, Principal. Mathematics, Sciences, Greek and Latin.

Mabel E. Harris, A. B., Smith College. English, Music and History.

Marion Rockwood, A. B., Wellesley College. Latin, Greek, German and Mathematics.

Mrs. H. M. Briggs, French.

We would call attention to the fact that Mr. Burrill has

supervision over the four Grammar schools, in addition to his other duties. Likewise Miss Harris devotes one third of her time to the Grammar grades. Thus it will be very readily seen that a part of the salaries paid our High School teachers might be properly charged directly to the common schools.

Examinations for certificates of admission to Free High School were held June 22d and Sept. 7th, 1900.

The following were successful :---Anderson, Kate Logan, Frank S. Attridge, Gertrude MacDonald, Edna C. Averill, Harold G., Nightingale, Bessie McGinley, Eva Connors, Guy M. Deasy, Fred O. Nelson, Ralph Donnell, Murray C. Nickerson, Faye Dyer, Mattie Packard, Thomas Putnam, Aaron Flinton, Hamilton Faulkner, Howard Putnam, Anna M. Powers, Paul H. Grant, Lucy Hagan, Ella Rogers, Margaret Russell, Florence Hall, Tessa E. Watson, Geneva Ingraham, Alice Wingate, Irene

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing school year :\$6,000 00Schools,\$6,000 00Text Books (including High School)800 00Repairs,600 00Insurance,200 00Free High School,2,000 00

JOHN B. MADIGAN,	Contending Superintending	
WILLIAM C. DONNELL.		

# CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the Selectinen and Citizens of Houlton:

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

The department stands in its usual good condition. The alarms have been as follows:

March 26, 1900. Alarm about 10.30 A. M. Fire in dwelling of John Chadwick, High St. Slight damage.

July 4, 1900. Alarm rung 9.20 P. M. Fire on roof Mc-Cluskey Bros. stable. Cause, sparks from fireworks. Slight damage.

July 4, 1900. Second alarm 9.50. Fire on roof Gillin market, Bridge St. Cause, sparks from fireworks. Slight damage.

Oct. 16, 1900. Alarm rung about 6 P. M. Burning out of chimney in L. T. Clough house on Pleasant St. No damage.

Dec. 12, 1900. Alarm about 1.30 р. м. Burning chimney in James Lougee house on Green St. Slight damage.

Dec. 13, 1900. Alarm 7 P. M. Burning chimney in West house, Main St. No damage.

Dec. 15, 1900. Alarm 7 30 р. м. Caused by lamp exploding in Smith Bros. store. Slight damage.

Jan. 20, 1901. Alarm about 8 30 A. M. Chimney burning out in J. E. Robinson's house on Green St. Slight damage to ceiling.

Feb. 20, 1901. Alarm about 6 30 A. M. Mrs. L. E. L. White's house on Military St. No damage.

The town needs an alarm system very badly, and I recommend that the citizens do something at our next town meeting towards starting one.

I also recommend two horses for hose wagon or sled instead of one.

Thanking all for any assistance rendered, I remain respectfully, S. C. WEBBER, Chief Engineer.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

It appears by the records of this board that there have occurred within the town during the year ending March 1, 1901, 25 cases of Typhoid Fever, in 20 houses, with 2 deaths; 2 cases of Scarlet Fever, both of which recovered and 1 case of Diphtheria, recovered.

Cases of Measles, Whooping Cough and Tuberculosis have not been reported, though the law requires such report.

It is with much satisfaction that we note the subsidence and probable end of the epidemic of Scarlet Fever which has prevailed in this part of the county for several years. Although the number of deaths from this cause has been very small, the disease is always attended with danger, and its importance should never be under-estimated. The number of nuisances investigated was considerably fewer than in former years and we think there is a growing appreciation in the public mind of the benefits of observing sanitary regulations.

> CHAS. E. WILLIAMS, A. B. SMART, JAMES ARCHIBALD. { Board of Health of Houlton.

# 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 twenty-fifth day of March, 1901, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, 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 elect one or more Road Commissioners, and what sum of money will be raised for services of said commissioner.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote to give the collection of taxes for the year 1901 to the lowest responsible bidder therefor, and will elect such bidder collector of said taxes.

ART. 5. 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. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of schools.

ART. 7. 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. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of school text-books.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the services of the Superintendent of Schools.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to pay Insurance on school buildings.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the repairing and building of roads, bridges and sidewalks.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a rock crusher and engine and what sum of money the Town will raise therefor. ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to have any of the streets of the Town graded under the supervision of a competent engineer, and if so, which ones and to see how much money the Town will raise for that purpose.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the Fire Department, Watchmen, and rent of hydrants; and to see if the Town will vote to have additional hydrants located and what sum of money the Town will raise for same.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for lighting the streets of the village, town hall, engine house and town lockup.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to keep the sidewalks in the village open during the winter of 1901-1902 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. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Houlton (Free) Public Library.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for observing Memorial Day.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Militia purposes.

ART. 21. 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. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for cemeteries, and to enlarge Evergreen Cemetery.

ART. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise toward paying off the town debt.

ART. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to repair and widen the Hovey road so-called and to lay out, make and continue said road across lots 11 and 5 in the South Division of Houlton to the Boundary line and pay land damages for same.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$300 to the Houlton Brass Band for band concerts once a week beginning the first week of June and ending the second week in September, 1901.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the Town hearse.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will elect a committee of five, seven or more members, to investigate and report, at a meeting to be called therefor, whether it is expedient, best or desirable for the Town to purchase the plant, rights or stock of the Houlton Water Company, the Houlton Electric Company and Houlton Sewerage Company or either of them, and if so found best or expedient, to report on what terms and plan the Town can purchase, own or control the same.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept for public travel a street, as laid out and dedicated to the town by Albert A. Burleigh, leading from the Bangor road opposite the westerly end of Green street and extending to the starch factory of the Aroostook Produce Co. and more particularly described in a deed from Albert A. Burleigh to the Aroostook Produce Co. recorded in the Aroostook Registry Vol. 157, page 53.

ART. 29. 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. 30. 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 1st, 1901.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report as published by the Selectmen, March 1st, 1901.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be session at the Selectmen's office in said town, on the 21st, 22d, and 23d days of March, 1901, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Houlton, this first day of March, A. D. 1901.

THOMAS P. PUTNAM,	(	Selectmen
FRANK W. PEARCE,	ł	of
W. A. DYKEMAN,	C	Houlton.

A true copy,

Attest: JAMES H. SINCLAIR, Constable.