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**ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

OF

**JACKMAN PLANTATION**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
**March 29, 1915**

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GREENVILLE, MAINE



# Town Officers

For the Municipal year 1914-1915

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*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor*

W. S. Moore, Joseph Dumas, H. P. McKenney

*Town Clerk*

J. D. Chamberland

*Treasurer*

E. A. Piper

*Collector*

H. L. Colby

*School Committee*

Frost Williams, J. B. Sterling, W. A. Taylor

*Supt. of Schools*

Russell S. Taylor

*Auditor*

Abram Newton

*Road Commissioner*

H. L. Colby

*Board of Health*

J. M. Boothby, E. D. Humphrey, E. C. Maloney

# Report of Assessors

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## VALUATION AND POLLS APRIL 1st. 1914

Resident, real estate,	\$147,836 00
Non-Resident, real estate,	98,615 00
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Total real estate,	\$246,451 00
Resident personal estate,	\$55,540 00
Non-Resident, personal estate,	11,755 00
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Total personal estate,	\$67,295 00
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Total amount,	\$313,746 00

## ASSESSED BY VOTE OF TOWN FOR CURRENT EXPENSES

Highways and bridges,	\$1,200 00
Sidewalks,	100 00
Repairing State roads,	25 00
Roads, to receive state aid,	500 00
Common schools,	560 00
Textbooks,	100 00
Joint superintendent,	100 00
Hydrant rental,	300 00
Street lights,	425 00
Support of poor,	250 00
Officer's fees and miscellaneous,	1,700 00
Jackman and Kineo road,	500 00
Interest on town debts,	500 00

Insurance and appliances,	150 00
Sidewalk to McKenney road,	100 00
Sidewalk to Geo. Nichols',	100 00
To change road at McKenney's	100 00
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Amount voted,	\$6,710 00

## SUMMARY

Total real and personal estate,	\$313,746 00
Rate of taxation, state, county and town,	.0242
Amount raised,	\$7,563 04

## AMOUNTS TO BE COLLECTED

274 polls, at \$3.00,	\$822 00
4 polls not assessed,	
Overlay,	23 13
Balance to be raised,	7,563 04
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Total amount to be collected,	\$8,408 17
State tax,	991 80
Fire tax,	330 60
County tax,	352 64
Town tax,	6,710 00
Overlay,	23 13
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Total amount raised,	\$8,408 17

W. S. MOORE,  
JOSEPH DUMAS,  
H. P. McKENNEY,  
Assessors.

# Report of Overseers of the Poor

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## SUPPORT OF POOR

### Expenditures

Paid Oldtown hospital acc't. Joseph Pelkey,	\$100 00
Isaac Thibodeau, acc't. Alex Duval,	48 75
Henry Paradis, acc't. Joseph Pelkey,	30 00
Joseph Poulin, acc't. Alex Duval,	50 05
David Hagan, acc't. tramps,	5 75
Isaac Thibodeau, acc't. Alex Duval,	3 75
Henry Paradis, acc't. Joseph Pelkey,	32 70
Sacred Heart convent, acc't. Joseph Pelkey's son,	103 00
Joseph Poulin, acc't. Alex Duval,	82 00
Henry Paradis, acc't. Joseph Pelkey,	32 70
Joseph Poulin, acc't. Alex Duval,	95 00
Henry Paradis, acc't. Joseph Pelkey,	25 00
J. M. Boothby, acc't. Pelkey and Duval,	4 00
Joseph Goodboo, acc't. tramps,	7 00
Joseph Poulin, acc't. Joseph Pelkey,	25 60
Guay and Dugal, acc't. Mrs. J. Quirion,	7 25
Daniel Hancox, acc't. Alex Duval,	18 40
E. D. Humphrey, acc't. Pelkey and Greenier,	6 75
E. Gilbert & Co., acc't. Mrs. J. Quirion,	6 87
E. Gilbert & Co., acc't. Tickets for J. Pelkey,	18 00
W. S. Moore, acc't. Funeral J. Greenier,	25 24
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	\$727 81

## Resources

Voted and raised,	\$250 00
Received account of Joseph Greenier,	25 24
	<hr/> \$275 24
Overdrawn,	\$452 57

## STATE PAUPERS

Paid James Wilson, acc't. Emma Nadeau,	\$37 50
" " " " " "	37 50
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" " " " " "	37 50
	<hr/> \$150 00

## Resources

Received from state,	\$112 50
Balance due from state,	<hr/> \$37 50

W. S. MOORE,  
 JOSEPH DUMAS,  
 H. P. McKENNEY,  
 Overseers of the poor.

# Report of the Selectmen

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## ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Voted and raised,	\$425 00
Paid Denistown Power Co.,	250 00
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Balance unexpended,	\$175 00

## HYDRANT RENTAL

Voted and raised,	\$300 00
Paid Jackman Water Co.,	275 00
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Balance unexpended,	\$25 00

## JACKMAN TO KINEO ROAD

Voted and raised,	\$500 00
No orders drawn on this account.	

## INTEREST ON TOWN NOTES

Voted and raised,	\$500 00
Paid Fred Pierce,	100 00
Skowhegan Savings Bank,	150 00
Dan Hancox,	27 80
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	\$277 80
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Balance unexpended,	\$222 20



## SIDEWALKS

To H. P. McKenney's road and Geo. Nichols'

Voted and raised,		\$200 00
Paid Frank Holden,	53 75	
James White,	21 88	
James White,	22 50	
Geo Nichols,	67 20	
H. L. Colby,	11 60	
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Total,		\$176 93
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Balance unexpended,		23 07

## CHANGE TO MCKENNEY ROAD

Voted and raised,	\$100 00
This amount not used.	

## REPAIRS ON SIDEWALKS

Voted and raised,		\$100 00
Paid Frank Holden,	61 88	
James White,	2 50	
Fred Pierce,	10 00	
H. L. Colby,	7 65	
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Balance unexpended,		\$17 97

## REPAIRS ON STATE AID ROAD

Voted and raised,	\$25 00
This amount not expended.	

## MAKING AND REPAIRING HIGHWAY

Voted and raised,	\$1,200 00
Paid H. L. Colby, road commissioner, 1,080 62	
H. L. Colby, abuttment at bridge, 67 23	
H. L. Colby, plow point, 8 20	
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	\$1,156 05
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Balance unexpended,	\$43 95

## STATE AID ROAD

Voted and raised,	\$500 00
Paid into state treasury,	500 00
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LIST OF DELINQUENT TAX AND AMOUNTS DUE  
ON TAX OF 1914

April, James,	\$ 3 00
Bartley, James,	20 91
Biladeau, Gideon,	3 00
Bishop, Alphonse,	3 00
Bolduc, Nap.,	3 00
Bolduc, Paul,	3 00

Bolduc, Emidas,	3 00
Bolduc, Philabert,	3 00
Brittain, Larry,	3 00
Burke, John, (Paid since making out report),	4 57
Champigne, Arthur,	3 00
Cooper, Alphonse,	3 00
Doyon, Joseph,	3 00
Francoere, Henry,	3 00
Gagnon, George,	3 00
Gagnon, Eugene,	3 00
Gagnon, Gideon,	3 00
Girard, Henry,	3 00
Greenier, Fred,	3 00
Greenier, Charles,	3 00
Greenier, Alfred,	3 00
Goodreau, Frank,	3 00
Jacques, Thomas,	3 00
Julian, Joseph, Sr.,	3 00
Lessor, Fred,	13 89
Londry, Alfred,	3 00
McKenney, James,	3 00
Morin, William,	3 00
Murphy, George,	3 00
Nadeau, Edmund,	3 00
Nadeau, Phillip,	3 00
Paradis, Alfred,	3 00
Perry, Alfred,	3 00
Poulin, Joseph,	3 00
Provier, Peter,	3 00
Roderick, George,	3 00
Roderick, Phillip,	3 00
Renault, Frank,	3 00
Sevignier, William,	3 00
Squires, Gideon,	3 00
StClair, Joseph,	3 00

Tedd, John,	3 00
Turgeon, Edward,	3 00
Vigenault, Albert,	3 00
Vineo, Albert,	3 00
Welch, Martin,	3 00
Widner, J. H.,	3 00
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	\$171 37

## MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL CHARGES

### Receipts

Voted and raised state aid road,	\$ 25 00
Voted and raised,	1,700 00
From state,	181 08
From state dog tax,	43 11
From state, state road acc't.	108 00
for licenses,	125 00
Unexpended balance, Electric Light acc't.	175 00
hydrant rental,	25 00
interest on Town notes,	222 20
sidewalks,	23 07
change to McKenney road,	100 00
repairs sidewalk,	17 97
highways,	43 95
Jackman to Kineo road,	500 00
Interest on deposit, National Bank,	5 13
Unexpended balance, textbook acc't.,	43 99
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	\$3,338 50
Balance unexpended,	\$266 77

## MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL CHARGES

## Paid out

Overdrawn from last year,	\$64 57
Harry A. Young, making belfry,	123 59
Joseph Nolette, burying horse,	5 00
Harry A. Young, windows and tarred paper,	5 85
Ed. Brooks, repairing lockup,	6 00
Frank Holden, work on Cook road,	20 00
Frost Williams, two trips to Greenville,	7 70
James White, work on bridge,	10 00
E. A. Piper, town books,	4 60
R. Gilman, work on bridge railing,	19 50
J. A. Bulmer, railing on bridge,	86 27
Hiram Newton, work on bridge railing,	36 00
Ed. Brooks, work on bridge railing,	3 38
H. L. Colby, work on bridge railing,	14 68
Dennistown Co., 175 lbs iron railing,	8 75
Jackman Lumber Co., 4 bags cement,	2 50
C. H. Humphrey, surveying cemetery and Wood street road,	51 96
J. A. Bulmer, repairing fire engine,	3 30
J. M. Boothby, births and deaths,	3 00
W. S. Moore, three trips down river,	55 00
W. S. Moore, work on bridge railing,	10 00
Joseph Forest, care of fire hose,	12 00
Jackman Building Co., rent hall 1913-14,	94 60
Guay & Dugal, three years rent, lockup,	9 00
C. H. Mills, legal services,	30 00
Joseph Dumas, services as assessor,	50 00
H. L. Colby, services as tax collector,	240 00
Henry Armstrong, services as constable,	200 00

W. S. Moore, services as assessor,	200 00
H. P. McKenney, services as assessor,	35 00
J. B. Sterling, services as fire inspector,	20 00
E. D. Humphrey, births and deaths,	8 75
J. D. Chamberland, services as town clerk,	15 75
E. Gilbert & Co., supplies for lockup,	19 95
Harry A. Young, cement and windows,	2 35
J. D. Chamberland, services as town clerk,	40 00
E. A. Piper, services as town treasurer,	35 00
Overdrawn support of poor,	452 58
Overdrawn, state paupers,	37 50
Expended on new schoolhouse,	647 57
Overdrawn, insurance and appliances,	93 31
Paid for school supplies,	71 34
Repairs, schools,	19 68
Tuition,	141 00
Orders not paid,	54 70
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	\$3,071 73

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF JACKMAN PLANTATION,  
MARCH 29, 1915

Assets

Due from State, (paupers),	\$ 37 50
Due from H. L. Libby, collector (un- paid taxes)	171 37
Cash in collector's hands	236 80
Balance in hands of town treasurer,	1,568 11
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Total assets,	\$2,013 78

## Liabilities

Note, Fred Pierce, due Aug 26, 1914,	\$500 00
Note, Fred Pierce, due Aug. 26, 1915,	500 00
Note, Fred Pierce, due Aug. 26, 1916,	500 00
Note, Fred Pierce, due Aug. 26, 1917,	500 00
Note, Skowhegan Savings Bank, due on demand,	3,000 00
Note, Skowhegan Savings Bank, due on demand,	500 00
Interest on same, due March 24, 1915,	25 00
Note, Daniel Hancox, guardian, due Sept. 1, 1918,	556 00
Common school fund,	1,431 97
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Gross liabilities,	\$7,512 97
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Net liabilities,	\$5,409 19

W. S. MOORE,  
 JOSEPH DUMAS,  
 H. P. McKENNEY,  
 Selectmen of Jackman.

## Report of Building Committee

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### ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE ON NEW SCHOOL- HOUSE

1914		
April 20	Paid for seats,	\$12 50
April 24	Paid for seats and desks,	354 32
April 24	Paid for janitor's services,	106 50
April 27	Paid for wood,	8 25
June 20	Paid for hanging curtains,	2 50
Aug. 8	Paid for lime,	4 00
Aug. 8	Paid fourth payment on contract,	75 00
Sept. 18	Paid for grading grounds,	26 00
Sept. 18	Paid for grading grounds,	26 00
1915		
Feb. 24	Paid for grading grounds,	32 50
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		\$647 57

ABRAM NEWTON  
 JOSEPH DUMAS  
 H. P. McKENNEY  
 Building Committee.



# Auditor's Report

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To the inhabitants of Jackman Plantation:

The accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer and School Committee for the fiscal year ending March 29, 1915, have been duly examined by me and I find the same to be correct, with all payments properly vouched for.

ABRAM NEWTON

Auditor.

## Report of Treasurer of Jackman Plantation Year 1914-15

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### Cash received of

Rock Gilman, treas. 1913-14,	\$1,596 44
State (dog tax),	43 11
State (State paupers account),	112 50
Discount on coal, school department,	92
Skowhegan Savings Bank deposit,	
Joseph Greenier,	25 24
State (State road account),	108 00
State (equalization fund) School dept,	150 00
Town Clerk (dog tax),	66 00
State (highway department),	181 08
State (school fund and mill tax),	858 71
State (common school fund),	503 76
Joseph Goodboo, employment agent license,	25 00
T. W. Bartley, employment agent license,	25 00
David Hagan, employment agent license,	25 00
Adilor Fornier, picture house license,	5 00
Adilor Fornier, pool room license,	10 00
George Blais, pool room license,	10 00
Joseph Chamberland, pool room license,	10 00
Harry Stilwell, picture house license,	5 00
Fred Dion, pool room license,	10 00
H. L. Colby, collector of taxes,	8,000 00
First National Bank, interest on deposit,	5 13

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\$11,775 89

Cash paid out for	
W. W. Nye, County treas. (tax),	\$ 352 64
State treasurer (State tax),	1,322 40
State treasurer (dog tax),	66 00
167 town orders,	8,466 74
Cash in treasury,	1,568 11
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	\$11,775 89

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. PIPER,

Treasurer of Jackman Plantation 1914-15

## Common Schools

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Permanent fund, \$150 00

### SCHOOL FUND

#### Resources

Unexpended balance last year,	\$1,661 01
Voted and raised,	560 00
Received from State, school and mill fund,	1,362 47
Stickney & Babcock, discount on coal,	92
	\$3,584 40

#### Expenditures

##### Teachers

Hillary LeClair,	\$288 00
Herbert L. Young,	408 00
Vesta Williams,	396 00
Horace Dodson,	150 00
	\$1,242 00

##### JANITORS

Maud Kew,	17 00
Horace Dodson,	18 00
Herbert Young,	80 00
Hillary LeClair,	48 00
	\$163 00

## FUEL

Kellogg Lumber Co.,	\$ 5 15
Omar Raincourt,	10 00
Horace Dodson,	10 00
Eliza Grafft,	5 00
Coburn Lands,	10 50
Stickney & Babcock,	184 06
C. P. R., freight,	59 62
W. A. Taylor, bins and cartage,	25 77
Herbert L. Young, not paid,	5 00
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	\$315 10

## CONVEYANCE OF SCHOLARS

Hannah Shelley,	\$220 88
Sarah Pepin,	211 45
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	\$432 33
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	\$2,152 43
Unexpended balance,	\$1,431 97

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Voted and raised, \$100 00

## Expenditures

Clifton E. Wass,	\$33 32
Russell S. Taylor,	66 68
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	\$100 00

## INSURANCE, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES

Voted to raise, \$150 00

## Expenditures

Insurance, J. B. Sterling,	\$50 00	
Harry A. Young,	163 41	
W. S. Moore,	26 00	
Dennistown Co.,	3 90	
	\$243 31	
Overdrawn,		\$93 31
Paid out of Miscellaneous fund.		

## REPAIRS

Noel Kew,	\$10 25	
W. L. Blake,	28	
Harry A. Young,	9 15	
	\$19 68	
Paid from Miscellaneous Fund.		

## TEXTBOOKS

Voted and raised, \$100 00

## Expenditures

Horace B. Dodson,	1 00	
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	34 59	
Silver, Burdette & Co.,	5 14	
Benj. H. Sanborn,	83	
American Book Co.	13 00	
Vesta Williams,	1 45	
	\$56 01	
Unexpended balance,		\$43 99
Credited to Miscellaneous Fund.		

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

## Expenditures

School Specialty Co.,	1 80
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	20 10
Jackman Water, Light & Power Co.,	40 00
A. N. Palmer,	9 29
D. H. Knowlton,	15 00
	—————\$71 34
Paid from Miscellaneous Fund,	

# Superintendent of Schools' Report

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To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens  
of the town of Jackman,

I hereby submit my first annual report:

On entering upon my duties at the opening of the school year I found the schools in a commendable condition, the discipline was good, the standard of scholarship high, and the moral sentiment gratifying. Every teacher was entering heartily into the work of the year, and the prospects of a successful school year seemed excellent. Subsequent investigations have served only to strengthen first impressions, and I believe the past year has been one of great value from an educational standpoint.

## PAYSON SMITH SCHOOL

At the close of the spring term Mr. Dodson resigned his position as principal of the grammar school, this vacancy was filled by the election of Mr. Hillary Le-Clair, who has rendered very efficient service.

The Primary and Intermediate grades, as for several years past, have been in charge of Mrs. Vesta Williams, who is securing excellent results, her work with the smaller children being especially pleasing.

## STATION SCHOOL

The work here has been carried on during the past year by Mr. Herbert Young, starting with a school of



eight when the building was opened last spring, this number has gradually increased until now, twenty four pupils are registered. Many of whom are above the compulsory school age, but who from a desire to gain greater proficiency in the common school branches have voluntarily attended. This fact alone indicates that the school has been a decided success.

I most heartily recommend that all of our teachers receive re-election at the close of the school year.

### WRITING

Early in the fall term the Palmer Method of Business Penmanship was introduced into the schools, this is a free arm muscular movement system, which permits a degree of speed, legibility and freedom from weariness, unattainable in any other style of penmanship depending on finger movement. This system has been well received by both teachers and pupils, and good progress is being made although the breaking up of the old habits is necessarily slow.

### REPAIRS

The new heating apparatus installed in the Payson Smith school during the summer, has given excellent satisfaction, the old furnace has been retained and furnishes an economical source of heat during the fall and spring, while the new plant warms the building comfortably in severe weather.

For the coming year the greatest need is modern toilet conveniences, the present out-houses are inconvenient and unsanitary in the extreme. I believe that in no way can we safeguard the health, comfort and morals of the younger children more effectually, than by installing toilet rooms within the building. The cost

need not be prohibitive as the building is already supplied with running water, and a cesspool can be dug at moderate cost, while the fixtures are comparatively inexpensive.

### EYE AND EAR TEST

During the fall term in accordance with the law of the state the eye and ear test was given in all the schools. No cases of defective eyesight were discovered except in the case of some who were already wearing glasses.

### ATTENDANCE

The matter of attendance in our schools is a most serious one. No school system, however elaborate its equipment or skillful its teachers, can do justice to children whose attendance is irregular. No mill or factory in existence would tolerate among its employees the amount of tardiness and absence that the average school register shows.

Parents should realize that it is as much their children's business to reach school promptly and attend regularly as it is theirs to see that their own affairs receive proper attention.

While it is not my purpose in this report to offer any criticisms or suggestions on matters outside our public school system, I wish, however, both for the welfare of our children and our schools to present the following ideas:

We have in our midst two school systems, one supported by State and local taxation, the other by private enterprise. Naturally they differ as regards courses of study and methods of instruction.

As to which offers the superior advantages there are of course differences of opinion, each system having its

own adherents.

What, however, I urge upon the citizens of Jackman is this, thoroughly investigate to your entire satisfaction the aims, methods, and results of both systems, and decide which training you wish your children to receive, then having made your choice, stand by it. No child can hope to make satisfactory progress, who at intervals of a few weeks or months is transferred back and forth from one school to another, the child's time is largely wasted and the work of both schools interrupted.

In conclusion I wish to thank the teachers for their loyalty and co-operation, the committee its assistance and advice and the citizens of Jackman for their cordial interest and support.

In conjunction with the school committee we recommend the following appropriations.

Common schools,	\$600 00
Textbooks,	75 00
Repairs and Insurance,	500 00
Supplies,	100 00
Superintendent of schools,	100 00

RUSSELL S. TAYLOR,  
Superintendent of Schools.

FROST WILLIAMS,  
JOHN STERLING,  
WILLIAM TAYLOR,  
School Committee.