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AUGUSTA:  
PRESS OF CHARLES E. NASH.  
1889.

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

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TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD :

Your Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the municipal year ending February 20, 1889, present the following report, giving the sums received, and from what sources, to meet the payments of the town; also showing for what purposes, and to whom payments have been made.

	<i>Valuation.</i>	
Resident Real Estate, - - -		\$294,125 00
Non Resident Real Estate, - - -		33,065 00
Resident Personal Estate, - - -		52,840 00
Non Resident Personal Estate, - - -		170 00
		<hr/> \$380,200 00

Number of Polls, 292. Amount assessed on each Poll, \$2.50.  
 Rate of taxation on a dollar, including School Property tax,  
 19 $\frac{3}{4}$  mills.

Amount of money tax assessed including School Property  
 tax, \$8239 37

*Appropriations for 1888.*

State Tax for 1888, - - -	\$1253 23
County Tax for 1888, - - -	546 16
Incidental Town Expenses, - - -	2000 00
Support of Poor, - - -	600 00
Support of Schools, - - -	1048 00
To pay interest on Town Debt, - - -	100 00
For Memorial Services, - - -	25 00
For repairs of highways with road machine,	500 00
To pay on Town Debt, - - -	500 00
To pay $\frac{1}{3}$ value School Property, - - -	1291 67
Fractional overlay, - - -	375 31
	<hr/> \$8239 37

*Resources of the Town.*

Balance on Selectmen's book, March 5, 1888,	\$2,460 86
Assessed and committed to Collector and Treasurer, including School Property tax (of \$1291.67)	6439 98
Money hired to pay town indebtedness, - - -	500 00
Cash from A. Chase, support of Wilbert Woodbury,	156 96
“ “ R. Drinkwater, part pay for casket for Anna Whitten, - - -	5 00
Deficient Non Resident highway tax of Treasurer,	27 59
Cash for license, Skating Rink, R. T. True, - - -	1 00
	<hr/> \$9591 39

*Resources for State and County Taxes.*

Assessed and committed to Collector and State Treasurer,	\$1253 23
Assessed and committed to Collector and County Treasurer,	546 16
	<hr/> \$1799 39

*Resources for Schools,*

Balance on Selectmen's Book, March 5, 1888,	\$195 68	
Amount raised by Town,	1048 00	
School fund received from State Treasurer,	569 69	
		————— \$1813 37
Paid for support of Schools,	\$1664 23	
School fund undrawn February 20, 1889,	149 14	
		————— \$1813 37

*Incidental Town Expenses.*

Sum raised by town, 1888,	\$2000 00	
Fractional overlay,	375 31	
Cash received for Skating Rink License,	1 00	
Deficient Non Resident highway tax of Treasurer,	27 59	
		————— \$2403 90

*Orders drawn on the Treasury for Incidental Town Expenses.*

Geo. A. Emerson, for services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,	\$87 75	
John Purinton, for same service,	82 50	
Samuel Williams, " " "	59 25	
David S. Springer, Town Treasurer,	26 50	
William F. Adams, Town Clerk,	12 50	
Henry Taylor, Sup. School Committee,	27 95	
R. T. True, " " "	25 00	
I. W. Gilbert, " " "	21 75	
Thomas Holmes, Town Agent,	4 00	
C. A. Metcalf, Auditor,	2 00	
		————— \$349 20

Amount brought forward, \_\_\_\_\_ \$2403 90

Samuel Williams services and expenses as Selectman, from February 21, to March 5, 1888,	\$3 75
John Purinton, services and expenses as Selectman, from February 21, to March 5, 1888,	13 42
Geo. A. Emerson, services and expenses as Selectman, from February 21, to March 5, 1888,	13 60
Geo. A. Emerson, recording inventory and assessments of 1887,	6 00
Geo. A. Emerson, labor on highway, Dist. 14, 1886 to 1887,	4 83
Henry Taylor, services and expenses as School Committee, from February 21, to March 5, 1888,	1 82
J. L. Fogg, labor on highway, dist. 36, 1886 to 1887,	3 60
Richard Spear, labor in road dist. 16, do.	3 36
Robert E. Niles, labor in road dist. 3, do.	7 37
A. L. Small, labor in road dist. 25, do.	4 90
M. W. Adams, labor in road dist. 25, do.	5 55
J. G. Preble, labor in road dist. 37, 1887-1888,	14 76
Wm. A. Ray, labor in road dist. 37, do.	3 21
Lewiston Journal, Collector and Surveyor and Inventory Books for 1888,	8 85
Philip Larrabee, labor in road dist. 34, 1886-7-8,	27 74
Dexter W. Danforth, labor in road dist. 34, do.	25 26
Nelson D. Danforth, labor in road dist. 34, 1888,	4 00
Thomas Webber & Son, labor in road dist. 14, 1887-1888,	10 41
Wm. H. Frost, labor in road dist. 34, 1886-7-8,	12 91
Samuel Danforth & Son, labor in road dist. 39, 1887-8,	15 25
Wm. Maxwell 2nd, labor in road dist. 15, 1887-8,	6 87
H. W. Maxwell, labor in road dist. 15, do.	6 51
H. M. Hunkins, labor in road dist. 15, do.	7 62
Leander Metcalf, labor in road dist. 15, do.	6 06

Amount brought forward, \$2403 90

Edgar S. Briery, labor in road dist. 23, do.	14 18
Solomon Weston, labor in road dist. 16, 1886-7,	11 22
Warren S. Jordan, labor in road dist. 30, do.	2 50
David N. Fogg, labor in road dist. 18, 1887-8,	9 00
C. W. Goodwin, labor in road dist. 8, do.	6 75
David B. Allen, labor in road dist. 9, do.	13 55
J. K. True, heir of, labor in road dist. 5, 1886-1887,	2 54
H. M. Bubier, labor in road dist. 37, do.	3 84
Sumner Clark, labor in road dist. 37, 1887-1888,	18 00
Samuel Williams, labor in road dist. 17, do.	1 75
Charles A. Norcross, labor in road dist. 22, do.	9 46
A. C. Goodwin, labor in road dist. 8, do.	14 25
Geo. A. Bosworth, repairs on Town House, Feb. 28, 1888,	2 40
Benj. W. Berry, labor in road dist. 20, 1886-1887,	6 96
D. D. Williams, labor in road dist. 17, 1887-1888,	4 12
D. D. Williams, labor in road dist. 18, do.	3 94
Solomon Weston, labor in road dist. 17, 1886-1887,	19 85
James A. Blanchard, labor in road dist. 16, 1887-1888,	6 82
Timothy Tibbetts, labor in road dist. 20, do.	3 97
Benjamin F. Colby, labor in road dist. 20, do.	4 38
Melvin Tibbetts, labor in road dist. 20, do.	4 37
Warren R. Buker, labor in road dist. 20, do,	3 63
Enoch Merrill and son, labor in road dist. 20, do.	19 50
Wm. E. Robinson, labor in road dist. 20, do.	9 25
Josiah Morrill, labor in road dist. 29, do.	9 41
Eben Morrill, labor in road dist. 33, 1886-1887,-	8 00
E. N. Baker, labor in road dist. 2, 1887-1888,	26 00
Charles Rose, labor in road district 29, do.	7 91
Wm. F. Adams, labor in road dist. 3, do.	10 34

Amount brought forward, \$2403 90

A. C. Ashford, labor in road dist. 3, do.	2 57
Elijah C. Towns, labor in road dist. 5, do.	3 12
Lapham & Packard, labor in road dist. 14, do.	4 25
Horace N. Jordan, labor in road dist. 35, 1886-1888,	8 18
Merrill True, labor in road dist. 6, 1887-1888,	16 09
Geo. N. Thurlow, labor in road dist. 36, do.	17 00
E. P. & A. C. True, labor in road dist. 12, do.	24 12
G. H. Palmer, labor in road dist. 5, do.	11 76
Josiah F. Small, labor in road dist. 17, do.	2 00
James W. True, labor in road dist. 5, do.	5 00
R. S. Maxwell, labor in road dist. 22, do.	17 88
Josiah Powers, labor in road dist. 36, do.	3 25
John H. Goodwin, labor in road dist. 10, do.	1 95
Elbridge S. McDonald, labor in road dist. 38, do.	6 33
S. G. Nutting, labor in road dist. 30, do.	9 88
James G. Preble, labor in road dist. 37, do.	3 00
Eugene H. Parker, labor in road dist. 34, 1887,	1 50
F. L. Donald, labor in road dist. 14, 1887-1888,	13 26
John F. Dunham, labor in road dist. 38, do.	9 50
Wm. R. Godfrey, labor in road dist. 38, do.	11 00
David Godfrey, labor in road dist. 38, do.	11 30
Jesse T. True, labor in road dist. 6, do.	12 02
Mrs. R. J. Campbell, labor in road dist. 14, do.	14 72
Wm. Bubier, labor in road dist. 28 and 31, do.	17 23
Warren Jordan, labor in road dist. 30, 1886-1887,	3 88
Llewellyn Blanchard, labor in road dist. 14, 1887-1888,	4 81
E. P. Springer, labor in road dist. 30, do.	8 94
Heman S. Harward, labor in road dist. 11, do.	9 50
Harry H. Severin, labor in road dist. 14, do.	3 17
Arington Douglass, labor in road dist. 11, do.	17 50
Fred E. Mitchell, labor in road dist. 34, do.	7 07



Amount brought forward, \$2403 90

Benj. Woodbury, labor in road dist. 10, do.	21 25
Fred M. Babcock, labor in road dist. 40, do.	15 00
Simeon Goodwin, labor in road dist. 10, do.	22 45
B. W. Harley, labor in road dist. 39, do.	14 47
James H. Bowie, labor in road dist. 35, do.	5 35
Wm. H. Bosworth, heir of, labor in road dist. 3, do.	1 98
A. H. Powers, labor in road dist. 33, 1886-1887,	2 33
Wm. H. Dustin, labor in road dist. 33, 1887-1888,	10 70
F. J. Sloman, labor in road dist. 33, do.	4 64
Eben Morrill, labor in road dist. 33, do.	7 45
A. H. Powers, labor in road dist. 33, do.	1 09
Syrena Adams, labor in road dist. 23, do.	5 15
Joseph Jack, labor in road dist. 23, do.	5 24
J. L. Allen, labor in road dist. 26, 1886-1888,	29 06
J. A. Huntington, labor in road dist. 12, do.	22 87
Walter C. Knight, labor in road dist. 31, 1887-1888,	15 12
Gardner Sloman, labor in road dist. 28, do.	5 40
Wm. F. Adams, running hearse to May 20, 1888,	8 75
Wm. H. Varney, labor in road dist. 24, 1887-1888,	12 50
J. I. Varney, labor in road dist. 24, do.	10 30
R. W. Cunningham, labor in road dist. 12, do.	9 69
A. E. Googins, labor in road dist. 13, do.	6 79
Charles Jack, labor in road dist. 26, do.	8 68
John W. Tucker, labor in road dist. 5, 1886-1887,	8 93
Thomas Holmes, services on Board of Local Health, 1887-1888,	3 00
Enoch Adams, M. D., services on Board of Local Health, 1887-1888,	3 00
Enoch Adams, M. D., examining M. True's cattle, 1887,	2 00

Amount brought forward, \$2403 90

Frank O. Sylvester, labor in road dist. 12, 1887-1888,	15 89
J. E. Edgecomb, labor in road dist. 18, do.	4 93
J. E. Edgecomb, labor in road dist. 17, do.	75
C. A. Edgecomb, labor in road dist. 16, do.	88
C. A. Edgecomb, labor in road dist. 17, do.	7 25
Darius Meader, labor in road dist. 7, do.	19 25
C. H. Waldron, labor in road dist. 7, do.	4 87
Levi Gray, labor in road dist. 7, do.	7 50
Richard Norris, labor in road dist. 7, do.	2 37
Fred E. Baker, labor in road dist. 7, do.	13 12
Gardner Roberts, labor in road dist. 13, do.	6 98
W. Otis, labor in road dist. 13, do.	16 74
A. P. Otis, labor in road dist. 13, do.	9 74
Moses B. Hutchings, labor in road dist. 16, do.	75
C. B. Preble, labor in road dist. 9, do.	8 80
J. S. Hatch, labor in road dist. 28, do.	3 38
Francis E. Lane, labor in road dist. 12, do,	9 25
Horatio S. Payne, labor in road dist. 23, do.	20 00
Wm. S. Snow, warning Town Meeting,	9 50
J. G. Cullinan, labor in road dist. 12, 1887-8,	8 42
Wm. M. Cunningham, labor in road dist. 12, do.	16 44
Wm. H. King and son, labor in road dist. 28, do.	8 52
I. W. Buker, labor in road dist. 1, do.	18 23
Eugene H. Parker, labor in road dist. 34, do.	7 89
Hamilton Buker, labor in road dist. 33, 1886,	4 56
Hamilton Buker, labor in road dist. 33, 1887-8,	9 27
Fred L. Buker, labor in road dist. 33, do.	2 26
Forrest T. Harriman, labor in road dist. 17, do.	14 24
Sylvester Stewart, labor in road dist. 1, do.	7 17
S. G. Nutting, planks for dist. 30, 1888,	2 33
E. N. Baker, commission for collecting taxes for 1886,	99 19

Amount brought forward, ————— \$2403 90

Timothy Payne, labor in road dist. No. 23, 1887-8,	10 14
Geo. A. Emerson, labor in road dist. 14, 1887,	14 60
Geo. A. Emerson, labor in road dist. 14, do. on road machine,	8 50
Frank C. Wyman, yoke, ring and staple, 1888,	4 00
Geo. A. Bosworth, labor in road dist. 3, 1887-8,	4 86
Wm. S. Snow, labor in road dist. 2, do.	5 34
Wm. F. Adams, driving and caring for hearse, from May 20 to Aug. 20, 1888,	8 75
John Bolden, labor in road dist. 9, 1886-7-8,	6 72
Wm. F. Merriman, labor in road dist. 4, 1887-8,	5 33
Charles S. Ring, labor in road dist. 4, do.	4 75
Wm. L. Powers, labor in road dist. 32, with road machine, 1888,	4 70
H. M. Bubier, blasting in dist. 1, 2, 25, do.	16 87
Pearson Preble, blasting in dist. 1, 2, 25, do.	10 50
Sarah Emerson, labor in road dist. 13, 1887-8,	1 88
Wm. L. Polly, labor in road dist. 39, do.	3 01
G. H. Palmer, plank for dist. 5, 1888,	3 00
C. A. Metcalf, labor in road dist. 5, 1886-7,	8 89
Emery Metcalf, labor in road dist. 5, 1887-8,	4 62
Job F. Morrill, labor in road dist. 29, do.	17 37
Wm. Bartlett, heir of, labor in road dist. 4, 1886-7,	9 25
Josiah Weymouth, hay for team and labor on road,	11 91
Nathaniel J. Libby, labor in road dist. 35, 1886-8,	20 24
Patten & Purinton, labor in road dist. 26, do.	37 82
Ensign Danforth, labor in road dist. 34, do.	12 66
Melvin Tibbetts, lumber for dist. 20, 1888,	4 00
H. M. True and son, labor in road dist. 5, 1886-7,	8 24

Amount brought forward, ————— \$2403 90

Josiah Morrill, building culvert in dist. 29, 1888,	5 00
John Patten, stringers and labor in dist. 23, do.	13 12
Selectmen, interest on ox note,	8 66
Levi Harriman, labor in road dist. 17, 1887-8,	5 15
Selectmen, loss on sale of oxen,	9 50
Daniel I. Larrabee, labor in road dist. 36, 1886-7,	1 69
Clark & Milliken, plank for bridges,	23 76
Wilson M. Hatten, stone and stone laying on Sloman Bridge,	30 00
Wilson M. Hatten, planks for Woodbury Bridge, summer of 1887,	5 00
Charles E. Nash, for printing Town Reports (400) for 1887,	20 00
Loring F. Dunn, planks, stringers and nails,	11 99
Emery Metcalf, labor in road dist. 17, 1887-8,	4 13
Emery Metcalf, labor in road dist. 16, do.	1 17
Arthur Newell, labor in road dist. 19, do.	1 62
Joseph Woodbury, labor in road dist. 11, do.	11 94
Joseph Jack, labor in road dist. 23, 1888,	10 60
David P. Adams, labor in road dist. 23, do.	8 37
Eli M. Douglass, labor on Brook Bridge, dist. 23, do.	8 50
M. W. Adams and son, blasting, dist. 1, 2, 25, and use of drills,	17 00
Daniel M. Webber, housing road machine from 1887 to 1888,	3 00
Daniel M. Webber, labor in road dist. 14, 1887,	50
James E. Chase, powder, dynamite, fuse, and meal for oxen,	14 00
Asa P. Smith, labor in road dist. 2, 1887-8,	5 18
M. W. Adams, labor in road dist. 25, do.	10 48
Darius Meader, plow broken in dist. 7,	11 00
Alvin T. Huntington, labor in road dist. 12, 1886,	5 06
I. F. Umbeshine, iron and steel,	3 12

Amount brought forward,		\$2403 90
J. Gray & Sons, lumber for road dist. 20,	15	26
G. A. Beale, ledger and paper,	1	25
DeOscar Adams, plank for road dist. 23,	1	32
Thomas Holmes, services on Local Board of Health,	4	00
Enoch Adams, for same,	4	00
Gardiner Roberts, Jr., for same and expenses,	4	60
Charles E. Nash, selectmen blanks of 1887,	3	00
D. S. Springer, expenses to Augusta after pensions, collecting tax and stationery,	6	85
Elvira J. Tarr, overwork on highway, dist. 1 & 25,	3	94
John Purinton, labor, lumber and use of oxen,	38	70
John Purinton, use of horse while out of town and expense of same,	11	52
John Purinton, stationery and postage,	4	10
Henry F. Woodard, running hearse,	7	30
Abated in E. N. Baker's tax bills for the year of 1886,	18	35
Abated in E. N. Baker's tax bills for the year of 1887,	38	43
Balance unexpended,	\$13 69	\$2390 21

*Highway Repairs with Road Machine.*

Sum raised by town for repair of highways		
with road machine, - - -		\$500 00
Paid out as follows, viz :		
Daniel Berry, hay for town oxen, - -		\$28 00
Geo. Tyler & Co., cutters for road machine, -		8 50
Joseph Taylor, labor, power, fuse, and use of drills,		5 60
A. H. Larrabee, blacksmith work, - -		4 35
Wm. L. Powers, driving and caring for town team,		73 63
James E. Chase, grain for town team, - -		29 29
Geo. N. Thurlow, labor of self and team on road machine,		25 63
Benj. F. Earl, feed and stabling of oxen, -		3 50
Josiah Weymouth, superintendent on road machine,		85 00
Josiah Weymouth, time buying oxen and		
starting road machine, - - -		6 00
Pearson Preble, labor with road machine, -		24 65
Daniel Berry, hay for oxen, - - -		15 00
S. H. Ring, hay and grain for town oxen, -		2 77
John Purington, time and expenses buying oxen,		
feed and grain and putting new cutters on,		
and other repairs, - - - -		11 76
Geo. N. Thurlow, labor on highway with road		
machine, and hay for team, - -		25 30
Wm. L. Powers, driving and caring for town oxen,		34 47
Josiah Weymouth, superintendent with road machine,		30 00
S. Powers, hay for town oxen, - - -		6 00
Frank Bailey, shoeing oxen, - - -		9 85
Fickett & Coombs, shoeing oxen and job work,		3 00
Josiah Weymouth, cash paid out on small bills		
to different parties, - - -		13 46
James E. Chase, hay and grain for oxen, -		48 80
Josiah Weymouth, hay for oxen and labor on highway,		5 46
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		\$500 02
Balance overdrawn, -		\$0 02

Sum raised by town to be committed to highway surveyors and to be expended on the highways in labor,	-	-	-	-	\$3000 00
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Buying oxen for road machine :

Paid for Powers oxen,	-	-	-	\$158 00
“ “ Readfield oxen, yoke, bows, ring and staple,				\$168 00
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				\$326 00

Sold. Received for Powers oxen,		\$158 50	
Received for Readfield oxen,		158 00	
Loss on oxen,		9 50	
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*Support of Poor.*

Sum raised by town for support of poor,	-	\$600 00
Received from A. Chase, for support of W. Woodbury, to February 29, 1888,	-	49 80
Received from A. Chase, for support of W. Woodbury, to May 31, 1888,	-	46 16
Received from A. Chase, for support of W. Woodbury, to August 31, 1888,	-	61 00
Received from Reuben Drinkwater, on casket furnished Anna Whitten,	-	5 00
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		\$761 96

*Paid for Support of Poor on Town Farm.*

A. P. Nutting, supplies over receipts from January 1, to April 1, 1888, - - -	52 41
Bills brought over from last quarter of 1887,	23 59
A. P. Nutting, services as Supt. on Town Farm to April 1, 1888, - - -	62 50
A. P. Nutting, supplies over receipts from April 1, to July 1, 1888, - - -	66 47
A. P. Nutting, services as Supt. on Town Farm to July 1, 1888, - - -	62 50
A. P. Nutting, supplies over receipts from July, 1, to October 1, 1888, - - -	66 18
A. P. Nutting, services as Supt. on Town Farm, to October 1, 1888, - - -	62 50
A. P. Nutting, supplies over receipts from October 1, to January 1, 1889, - - -	56 90
A. P. Nutting, services as Supt. on Town Farm from October 1, to January 1, 1889,	62 50
Wm. F. Adams, digging grave for Benjamin Huntington, September 15, 1887, (old bill,) - -	1 50
Charles Randall, horse-rake, - - -	24 00
Emlin P. Springer, paid difference of oxen, -	10 00
Emlin P. Springer, hay, - - -	5 00
Loring F. Dunn, 1 pair shoes for H. Stinson, -	1 25
Geo. A. Bosworth, casket and box for Mrs Anna Whitten, and attending funeral, - -	20 00
Emlin P. Springer, use of horse-rake and wheels for 1887,	4 00
Emerson Lord, fixing boots for H. Stinson, -	1 00
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	582 30
Less receipt by R. Drinkwater, - - -	5 00
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Cost on Town Farm, - - - -	577 30



*Support of Poor off Town Farm.*

Wadsworth Brothers, burial expenses of Mrs. M.			
Kendall, (died February 9, 1888),	-		\$15 00
Geo. A. Bosworth, casket and robe for Johnny Potter,			15 00
Wm. F. Adams, burial of Johnny Potter,	-		2 50
J. W. Starbird, supplies furnished Horace Ridley & family,			5 00
James E. Chase, expenses of Mrs. Robinson			
and two children,	-	-	37 60
Town of Brunswick, supplies, care and doctor's bills,			
February, 1888, for Chas. W. Groves' family,			41 60
J. W. Starbird, supplies furnished Mrs. H. Robinson			
and two children,	-	-	8 07
Town of Monmouth, board and expense of			
Alonzo Getchell,	-	-	9 00
Maine Insane Hospital, support of W. Woodbury,			156 96
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			\$290 73
Less cash received from A. Chase,	-	-	156 96
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Cost of poor off Town Farm,	-	-	\$133 77
Cost on Town Farm,	-	-	\$577 30
" off " "	-	-	133 77
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Total cost of poor,	-	-	\$711 07
Balance overdrawn, Poor Account,	-	-	\$111 07
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*Value of Town Farm, Stock and Property thereon,  
Feb. 20, 1889.*

Value of Town Farm,	-	-	-	\$1800 00
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*Live Stock.*

1 horse, - - - - -	\$60 00
1 four years old colt,	150 00
1 pair oxen, - - - - -	125 00
4 cows and 1 calf,	110 00
45 hens, - - - - -	16 00
2 swine, - - - - -	25 00
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	\$486 00

*Hay.*

12 tons hays, - - - - -	\$120 00
2 tons fodder, - - - - -	10 00
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	\$130 00

*Provisions.*

1 1-2 bbls. flour, - - - - -	\$10 00
12 lbs. sugar, - - - - -	95
1 " tea, - - - - -	50
2 " coffee, - - - - -	60
2 " soda, - - - - -	10
1 " Gall. molassess,	50
Spice, - - - - -	40
5 doz. eggs, - - - - -	75
1 1-2 lbs. tobacco,	70
225 lbs. salt pork,	27 00
70 " butter, - - - - -	14 00
20 " lard, - - - - -	2 40
25 " fresh meat and hams,	2 50
30 bush. potatoes, - - - - -	15 00
10 " turnips, - - - - -	3 75

15 gall. soap, - - - - -	1 90
2 " vinegar, - - - - -	50
30 " cider, - - - - -	4 50
80 bushels apples, - - - - -	20 00
3 " oats, - - - - -	1 50
3 1-2 " Y. E. beans, - - - - -	12 25
4 " meal, - - - - -	2 00
1-2 " peas, - - - - -	1 00
1 " pea beans, - - - - -	1 50
1-2 " salt, - - - - -	20
50 lbs. shorts, - - - - -	55

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\$125 05

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*Farming Tools.*

Ox carts, - - - - -	\$12 00
2 plows, - - - - -	10 00
1 harrow, - - - - -	2 00
3 ox chains, - - - - -	3 00
1 cultivator, - - - - -	6 00
1 ox sled, - - - - -	1 00
1 horse sled, - - - - -	10 00
1 " cart, - - - - -	6 00
1 mowing machine, - - - - -	35 00
1 drag, - - - - -	1 00
4 yokes, bows, rings and staples, - - - - -	12 00
2 harnesses, - - - - -	17 00
1 grind stone, - - - - -	1 00
1 express wagon, - - - - -	13 00
Saws, - - - - -	2 00
Axes, - - - - -	2 00
2 ladders, - - - - -	1 00
1 horse rake, - - - - -	24 00

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\$158 00

We found seven beds in the house that were in very good condition, clean and neat, one bed hardly medium, but it will answer for travellers that go that way, also clothes sufficient for change while washing and ironing.

*Names and Ages of Paupers on Town Farm.*

Mary Nevins,	-	-	-	-	aged 86 years.
Julia Tibbetts,	-	-	-	-	aged 67 years.
Anna Whitten, died June 1,	-	-	-	-	aged 89 years.
Sanford Goodwin,	-	-	-	-	aged 64 years.
Charles Curtis,	-	-	-	-	aged 86 years.
Hanover Stinson,	-	-	-	-	aged 76 years.
Hannah Potter, on farm five months,	-	-	-	-	aged 54 years.
Alonzo Getchell, came to farm Dec, 21,	-	-	-	-	aged 22 years.

Your Overseers employed Asa P. Nutting and wife to superintend the Poor Farm for the year ending April 1, 1889, at two hundred and fifty dollars per year. The paupers have been well cared for and well provided for. Mrs. Nutting is very careful of their health. We have had no doctor's bills to pay on the farm.

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*Memorial.*

Sum raised by town for memorial services,	\$25	00
Paid Libby Post, G. A. R., No. 93,	25	00

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*Interest on Town Debt.*

Sum raised by town to pay interest on debt,	\$100	00
Paid interest on town debt,	-	79 27
Balance unexpended,	—————	\$20 73

*Town Debt.*

Sum raised by town to pay on town debt,	\$500	00
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Agreeable to a vote of the town at its last annual meeting, whereby it voted to abolish the old school district system and adopt the town system of schools, the assessors immediately took

possession of all the school district property and appraised it as the law directs. The town, at a legal town meeting held May 1, 1888, voted to remit back to the tax payers one-third the value of the school property in 1888, one-third in 1889, and one-third in 1890.

The valuation of the several districts and school property and the amount remitted back to each district, is as follows :

School District No. 1.

Valuation of property in district, \$47,130.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$75 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	24 10

School District No. 2.

Valuation of property in district, \$7,525.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$200 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	66 50

School District No. 3.

Valuation of property in district, \$39,085.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$275 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	90 93

School District No. 4.

Valuation of property in district, \$18,635.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$175 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	58 15

School District No. 5.

Valuation of property in district, \$34,020.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$225 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	75 01

School District No. 6.

Valuation of property in district, \$34,850.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$550 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	185 76

School District No. 7.

Valuation of property in district, \$26,315.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$425 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	141 73

## School District No. 8.

Valuation of property in district, \$10,375.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$100 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	33 08

## School District No. 9.

Valuation of property in district, \$27,070.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$400 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	133 06

## School District No. 10.

Valuation of property in district, \$17,550.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$125 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	41 34

## School District No. 11.

Valuation of property in district, \$43,370.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$350 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	118 25

## School District No. 12.

Valuation of property in district, \$19,545.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$275 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	94 11

## School District No. 13.

Valuation of property in district, \$10,090.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$200 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	66 70

## School District No. 14.

Valuation of property in district, \$13,416.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$100 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	33 40

## School District No. 15.

Valuation of property in district, \$32,850.			
Value of house, lot and furniture,	-	-	\$400 00
Amount remitted to the district,	-	-	133 08

*Recapitulation.*

Whole amount of resources, - - -	\$11,656 15
State tax for 1888, - - -	\$1,253 23
County tax for 1888 - - -	546 16
Paid incidental expenses, - - -	2,390 21
“ support of poor, - - -	873 03
“ memorial services, - - -	25 00
“ interest on town debt, - - -	79 27
“ road machine account, - - -	500 02
“ support of school, - - -	1,664 23
“ school fund undrawn, - - -	149 14
“ remittance on school houses, - - -	1,295 20
Balance on Selectmen’s book, February 20, 1889, in favor of town, - - -	2,880 66
	<u>\$11,656 15</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN PURINTON, } *Selectmen, Assessors*  
SAMUEL WILLIAMS, } *and Overseers of the*  
} *Poor of Litchfield.*

February 20, 1889.

S. H. Ring, who was elected third Selectman, resigned his duties as an active member, October 16, by reason of removal from town.

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## Auditor’s Report.

TO THE CITIZENS OF LITCHFIELD :

Your Auditor having carefully examined the Selectmen’s and Treasurer’s Books, would respectfully report that the accounts

are properly kept, accurately cast, and they exactly agree.

For all money drawn from the Treasury, orders from the Selectmen for like amounts were on file with the Treasurer, exactly corresponding to the amounts charged as paid out by him.

The Treasurer's accounts show that he had cash on hand,	
February 21st, 1888,	\$238 65
Received during the year,	5292 55
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	\$5531 20
Has paid out during the same time,	5513 61
Leaving cash in Treasury, February 20th, 1889,	\$17 59

The following bills of the several town officers for the municipal year ending February 20th, 1889, to be drawn on the Treasury, for services rendered during the year have been examined and allowed as follows :

John Purinton, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor, to February 18, 1889, inclusive, - - - - -	\$96 00
Samuel Williams, for same service to February 20, 1889, inclusive, - - - - -	66 00
Stillman H. Ring, for same service to October 16, 1888, inclusive, - - - - -	55 50
David S. Springer, Town Treasurer, to February 20, 1889, inclusive, - - - - -	26 50
William F. Adams, Town Clerk, to same date, -	14 90
Irving W. Gilbert, M. D., S. S. Committee, to same date, - - - - -	32 00
Roland R. True, S. S. Committee, to same date,	33 75
Henry Taylor, S. S. Committee, to same date, -	22 75
Geo. A. Emerson, Auditor, to same date, -	2 00
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	\$349 40

GEO. A. EMERSON, Auditor.

Litchfield, Maine, February 20, 1889.



## Town Treasurer's Report.

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The following report shows the amount of money received and paid out during the municipal year ending February 20, 1889, also a statement of the town debt, and the amount due from the Collector, etc.

Cash in Treasury, February 21, 1888, . . .	\$238 65
Received from E. N. Baker, collector of 1887, . . . . .	1,960 00
Received from E. N. Baker, collector of 1888, . . . . .	2,054 00
Received by commitment from Selectmen, money hired to pay demands against town, . . . . .	500 00
Received by commitment from Selectmen money received from Albion Chase for support of Wilbert Woodbury, at the Insane Hospital, . . . . .	156 91
Received from Selectmen, license for running Skating rink, . . . . .	1 00
Received by commitment money collected, non resident highway tax of 1887, . . . . .	27 59
Received from Selectmen money paid by Reuben Drinkwater for casket for Mrs. Annie Whitten, . . . . .	5 00
Received from State Treasurer, School fund, . . . . .	588 05
	\$5531 20

Paid out as follows :

For Incidental Town Expenses, . . . . .	\$2322 74
“ Support of Schools, . . . . .	1671 23
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	878 47
“ Road Machine, . . . . .	536 90
“ Town Debt, . . . . .	79 27
“ Memorial Services, . . . . .	25 00
“ Cash in Treasury, February 20, 1889, . . . . .	17 59
	\$5531 20

*Statement of Town Debt.*

Due from E. N. Baker, Collector of 1887,	\$251 85	
“ from E. N. Baker, on deficient highway taxes,	33 85	
Due from E. N. Baker, Collector of 1888,	3094 31	
Cash in Treasury, February 20, 1889,	17 59	
		\$3397 60
Outstanding Notes and Interest on same,	\$2334 00	
Balance in favor of Town,	1063 60	
		\$3397 60

D. S. SPRINGER, Treasurer.

Litchfield, February 20, 1889,

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## SCHOOL REPORT.

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**TO THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD :**

Your Superintending School Committee respectfully submits the following report of the condition of schools for the year ending March 1, 1889 :

*Resources for Schools.*

School fund undrawn,	- -	\$7 11
Amount appropriated by town,	-	1048 00
Amount of state school fund and mill tax,		569 69
Total school fund,		\$1624 80
Paid for support of summer schools,		\$558 00
“ “ winter schools,		885 00
“ wood,	- - -	88 64
“ repairs and incidentals,	-	63 68
		\$1595 32
Amount unexpended,		\$29 48

## SUMMER TERMS.

Name of District.	Names of Teachers.	No. Pupils Register'd	Average No.	Length of School.	Wages per week.*
Corner,	Lola Merriman,	33	29	8 weeks	\$6 00
S.Oak Hill,	Mabel E. Norcross,	10	7	8	4 50
Waterman	Mary L. Powers,	17	15	8	4 75
Hall,	Edith E. Stewart,	6	5	8	4 50
Grant,	Mary A. True,	9	6	8	4 50
North,	Fannie W. True,	18	17	8	5 00
Buker,	Augusta H. Edgecomb	15	14	8	6 00
Stevenst'n	Emily Adams,	11	8	8	5 00
Earl,	Addie Baker,	18	11	8	4 50
Purgatory	Effie L. Lyle,	19	16	8	5 50
Brick,	Mary Simpson,	11	10	8	4 50
N.Oak Hill	Mattie A. Cunningham	6	5	8	4 50
Ferrin,	Katie I. Nickerson,	10	8	8	4 50
Cook,	Mertelle Snow,	22	19	8	5 00

\* Including board.

## WINTER TERMS.

Name of District.	Names of Teachers.	No. Pupils Register'd	Average No.	Length of School.	Wages per week.*
Corner,	R. T. True,	29	24	11 weeks	\$8 75
S.Oak Hill	Miles Dustin,	11	8	11	5 50
Waterman	W. S. Brown,	17	15	11	6 00
Hall,	Mertelle Snow,	7	5	11	5 50
Grant,	Mary A. True,	11	8 3-10	11	5 50
North,	Fannie W. True,	24	19	11	6 00
Buker,	Aunie G. Spear,	14	13	11	6 50
Stevenst'n	Emily Adams,	13	10	11	6 00
Earl,	Addie Baker,	21	18	11	5 50
Purgatory	Lola Merriman,	28	22	11	7 00
Brick,	E. W. Varney,	21	13 1-2	11	5 50
Ferrin,	E. M. Baker,	15	8	11	5 50
Cook,	Cora Maxwell,	28	26	11	6 25

\* Including board.

## CORNER DISTRICT.

This school was under the instruction of Miss Lola Merriman, in the summer, and Mr. R. T. True in the winter.

The summer term was successful in every particular. Miss Merriman won the respect and good will of the scholars from the first. By excellent methods, good discipline, and a happy faculty of interesting each pupil in the work to be done, the result was very satisfactory.

Good work was done in the winter term.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Lettie

Bubier, Elsie Bubier, Clara Danforth, Abbie Earl, Walter Earl, Emma Gilbert, Bessie Penny.

Winter Term. Nelson Elwell, Wallace Stewart, Roscoe Bosworth, Walter Earl, Emma Gilbert, Grace Higgins, Clara Belle Higgins.

#### SOUTH OAK HILL DISTRICT.

Summer Term. Miss Mabel Norcross, teacher. Miss Norcross went to her work with no experience as a teacher. Her government was good. We think she will make a good disciplinarian. Her teaching was practical and thorough, and the results of her labors satisfactory.

Winter Term. Mr. Miles Dustin, was employed to teach this term. We found him interested and faithful in his work, and the examination at the close of the ninth week showed satisfactory improvement. Mr. Dustin left at the close of the ninth week, to teach elsewhere, and E. W. Varney finished the term.

#### WATERMAN DISTRICT.

Summer term was taught by Miss May L. Powers, the winter term by Winfield S. Brown. Mr. Brown is at home in the school-room. We found him and the scholars thoroughly united in their work. Good advancement was made in the several studies taught.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Willie Keyes, Gracie Elliott, Edna Sprague, Mabel Elliott, Eva Fogg, Lena Allard.

Winter Term—Lena Allard.

#### HALL DISTRICT.

Summer Term. This term was taught by Miss Edith Stewart. She worked for the interest of her scholars. Her methods of instruction were thorough and practical, and the term profitable.

Winter Term. Miss Mertelle Snow. The teacher and pupils

were united, and the work accomplished during the term was gratifying to your committee.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Winter Term—Frankie Dennison, Mary Merrill.

#### GRANT DISTRICT.

Both terms have been under the instruction of Miss Mary A. True. At our several visits the school was very quiet and studious. The scholars made good improvement in their studies. We would make especial mention of a class in History; also some maps on the board were very nicely drawn.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Winter Term—Edith Otis, Bert Packard.

#### NORTH DISTRICT.

The scholars made marked improvement under the instruction of Miss Fannie W. True, who is one of our best teachers. We make especial mention of a Primer class of ten, an oral class in History and one in Physiology, who did themselves much credit. Order excellent.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Cora True, Margie True, Susie Davis, Sadie Tucker, Jessie Smith, Roscoe Pinkham, Ned True, Willie Davis, Harry Pinkham, Walter Davis, Lewis True, Georgie Tucker.

Winter Term—Sadie Tucker, Roscoe Pinkham, Ned True, Harry Pinkham, Georgie Tucker.

#### BUKER DISTRICT.

Summer Term. Miss Augusta Edgecomb, teacher. Miss Edgecomb is an experienced and thorough instructor. The school knew and acknowledged her abilities, and by diligent application on the part of teacher and pupils, much work was accomplished.

We were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Annie G.

Spear for the winter term. Miss Spear showed good judgment in organizing the school, and at the beginning of the second week had her pupils in good working order. With a will to do and ability to perform, she maintained the high rank which this school has attained under the management of Miss Edgecomb.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Ernest Small, Willie Dean, Rennie Small, Lester Berry, Edith Robinson.

Winter Term—Frank Berry, Lester Berry, Elmer Hodgkins.

#### STEVENSTOWN DISTRICT.

Miss Emily Adams, teacher, both terms. Miss Adams labored hard in the interest of her pupils, and not without success. Although the advancement was not great, it was through no fault of the teacher. This school is quiet and orderly, yet backward. A school of this kind should be taught nothing but what is practical.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Hattie Williams.

Winter Term—Melinda Gowell, Wilbur Gowell.

#### EARL DISTRICT.

This school made excellent progress both terms, under the care of Addie Baker. At the closing examination all did well. Order good.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Lettie Alexander, Jennie Jordan, Nettie Morrill, Mamie Morrill, Gracie Morrill.

Winter Term—Nettie Morrill, Mabel Purington, Lettie Bubier, Dollie Bubier, Eltie Bubier, Winnie Bubier, Lettie Alexander, Jennie Jordan, Fred Ricker.

#### PURGATORY DISTRICT.

The summer term was well taught by Miss Effie Lyle, who labored faithfully with her pupils. Miss Lyle's ways, in the school-room and out, are such as to command the respect of her scholars.

The winter term was under the management of Miss Lola Merriman. Miss Merriman is a graduate of Kent's Hill and a teacher of experience. We found her methods of instruction good, and at the closing examination were pleased to find quite

a number of parents and citizens present. The scholars answered questions asked them by the teacher quite readily, and showed themselves to be conversant with what they had been over. We learn that several boys had been sent home by the teacher, for refusing to comply with her requests. Anything of this kind necessarily detracts from the interest and success of a school.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Stella Glidden, Eddie Gilman, Willie Preble, Thurston Gilman, Elbridge Allen.

Winter Term—Percy Cram, Ruth Glidden, Eddie Gilman, Abbie Merriman.

#### BRICK DISTRICT.

Summer Term. Miss Mary Simpson. This teacher has attended the State Normal School at Farmington a number of terms, and the application of the knowledge acquired there was to be plainly seen in the manner in which the school was conducted. This was Miss Simpson's first attempt, but the result was satisfactory.

Mr. Edwin W. Varney entered upon the duties of the winter term with the firm determination to make the term a success. At our closing visit, the scholars showed that they had received excellent instruction. We hope to meet Mr. Varney again in the school-room.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer Term—Abraham Bartlett, Angie Bosworth, Nellie Ham, Jessie Libby.

Winter Term—Frank Adams, Angie Bosworth, Maggie Bosworth.

#### NORTH OAK HILL DISTRICT.

Summer Term. This school was taught by Miss Mattie Cunningham. She was easy and pleasant in the school-room, and did good work. Miss Cunningham had no previous experience. No winter term.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Georgia Frost.

#### FERRIN DISTRICT.

Summer Term. Miss Katie Nickerson. Miss Nickerson is a very good scholar, and she teaches well; she needs, however, to draw the reins of government tighter. With more discipline,

Miss M.

she will make a good teacher. Her pupils passed a good examination on work they had never been over before.

The winter term was under the instruction of Mr. E. M. Baker. There seemed to be a determination on the part of some of the larger scholars to resist the authority of the teacher; this was met by him with a firm hand, and two boys, rather than submit to his wishes, left school. At the end of the term the pupils passed a creditable examination in the different branches. The order was excellent.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Harry Thurlow, Carl Stewart.

#### COOK DISTRICT.

Miss Mertelle Snow in the summer did good work. She was earnest and faithful in her efforts to interest her pupils in their respective studies; that she succeeded was manifest at the end of the term by the ready answers to questions asked by us.

Winter Term. Miss Cora Maxwell.

Miss Maxwell has been in the service so long, she knows just what to do in the school-room, and how to do it. She worked with her usual faithfulness and success.

Scholars not absent one half-day: Summer Term—Gertrude Hutchinson, May Hutchinson, Sadie Hutchinson, Edith Small, Will Simpson, Eugene Purinton, Oscar Varney, Elmer Purinton, Frank Purinton, Sheridan Hutchinson.

Winter Term. Gertrude Hutchinson, May Hutchinson, Abbie Earl, Oscar Varney, Walter Varney, Charlie Tarr, Sheridan Hutchinson, Lewis Hutchinson, Sumner Hutchinson.

Your committee has labored under one great disadvantage in not having as much money for the support of schools, this year as last, by about two hundred dollars. This deficiency was overcome, in a measure by securing the services of teachers living in town, many of them boarding at home, in consequence, less wages were paid than otherwise would have been asked.

With the concurrence of the Board of Selectmen no school was maintained in the Patten District, for the year, and none in North Oak Hill District in the winter, thus saving the expense of thirty weeks of school, which would amount to one hundred and fifty dollars, and giving to each scholar two more weeks of



school then they otherwise would have got. We think the schools will compare favorably with those of other years. Although the teachers have received small pay, yet many of those employed are first-class in every particular and could easily command the highest wages.

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year :

For support of Schools,	\$1200
For building School-house at Litchfield Corner,	\$800
For repairing Ferrin School-house,	\$150
For repair of other School-houses,	\$50

We would advise the building of a school-house at Litchfield Corner. The old house is not suitable for a school-room, and is in a deplorable condition. The walls are bulged outward, and cracked from the foundation to the roof, making it as dangerous as it is unsuitable in other respects. It is out of the question to think of repairing it. The laws of the state compel children, between the ages of nine and fifteen, to attend school a certain number of weeks each year, it also makes it obligatory upon towns to provide a suitable place for such attendance. We think it necessary that the town should take some action in regard to this matter.

The Ferrin School-house needs quite extensive repairs to make it a fit place for school purposes. We think the amount named, judiciously expended, will be sufficient to make it a comfortable and convenient school-room. Anything short of a thorough overhauling will be time and money thrown away.

The other houses are in a fair condition of repair and will need but a small outlay, except the Brick which needs to be newly shingled, and for which we ask the appropriation of fifty dollars.

We hope the voters of the town will seriously consider this matter of appropriations and act wisely thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. GILBERT,	}	S. S. Committee.
R. T. TRUE,		
HENRY TAYLOR.		