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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,  
AUDITOR  
AND  
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,  
OF THE  
TOWN OF LITCHFIELD,

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For the Municipal year ending February  
20th, 1892.

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(The Town of Litchfield incorporated Feb. 18, 1795.)

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AUGUSTA:  
PRESS OF CHAS. E. NASH  
1892

## Report of Selectmen.

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TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD :

Your Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, herewith present their annual report for the municipal year ending February 20, 1892.

### *Valuation.*

Resident Real Estate,	-	-	\$287,420 00
Non Resident Real Estate,	-	-	32,200 60
Resident Personal Estate,	-	-	57,375 00
Non Resident Personal Estate,	-	-	365 00
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Total valuation,			\$377,360 00

Number of Polls, 286. Amount assessed on each Poll, \$2.50. Rate of taxation on a dollar, 13 1-2 mills.

### *Appropriations for 1891.*

State Tax, for 1891,	-	-	\$1,058 16
County Tax for 1891,	-	-	384 62
Incidental Town Expenses,	-	-	1,000 00
Support of Poor,	-	-	600 00
Support of Schools,	-	-	1,048 00
To build School house,	-	-	700 00
To purchase School books,	-	-	225 00
To pay interest on Town Debt,	-	-	100 00
For Memorial Services,	-	-	25 00
To Expend with Road Machine,			500 00
Fractional overlay,	-	-	169 61
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			\$5,810 39

*Resources for Town Expenses, Exclusive of Schools.*

Balance on Selectmen's book, Feb. 20, 1891,	\$3,449 85
Assessed and committed to Collector and Treasurer, - - - -	3,319 61
Cash received from State, Burial expenses, Levi Danforth, - - - -	33 50
Cash received from State for Railroad tax, -	9 83
Cash received for Pedlers' licenses, -	12 00
Cash received for Auctioneer's license, -	2 00
Cash received from City of Biddeford, on Poor account, - - - -	15 50
Cash received from Town of Brunswick, -	21 00
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	\$6,863 29

*Resources for State and County Taxes.*

Assessed and committed to Collector and Treasurer, for State tax, - - -	\$1,058 16
Assessed and committed to Collector and Treasurer, for County tax, - -	384 62
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	\$1,442 78

*Schools.*

Balance on Selectmen's book, Feb. 20, 1891,	\$42 42
Amount raised by Town, - - - -	1,048 00
School Fund received from State, - - -	702 27
Subscribed for a Free High School, - - -	111 65
Received from State for Free High School, -	111 65
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	\$2,015 99
Paid for support of Schools,	1,886 31
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Amount unexpended,	\$129 68

*Incidental Town Expenses.*

Sum raised by Town, 1891,	-	\$1,000 00
Overlay,	- - - -	169 61
Received from State, Soldiers'		
burial expenses,	- -	33 50
Received from State for Railroad tax,		9 83
Cash received for Pedlars' licenses,	-	12 00
Cash received for Auctioneer's license,		2 00
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		\$1,226 94

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

Samuel Smith, for services as Selectman,		
Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	-	\$90 00
M. S. H. Rogers, for same service,	-	57 75
E. P. Springer, for same service,	-	45 00
M. S. H. Rogers, Supervisor of Schools,		55 00
David S. Springer, Town Treasurer,	-	26 50
William F. Adams, Town Clerk,	-	13 68
Charles A. Metcalf, Auditor,	- -	2 00
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		\$289 93
Samuel Smith, services as Selectman		
from Feb. 20th, to March 9th, 1891,		\$6 50
E. P. Springer, same service,	- -	3 00
David S. Springer, expenses as Treasurer,		6 87
William F. Adams, running hearse,		
to February 20, 1891,	- -	6 50
Charles E. Nash, printing Town		
Report, 1891.	- - - -	22 00
James E. Chase, plow point, 1890,	-	1 90
Joseph Jack, labor on highway		
district No. 23, 1890.	- -	4 37
Joseph E. Jack, labor on highway,		
district No. 23, 1890,	- -	11 50

Amount brought forward, ——— \$1,226 94

J. S. Hatch, Poll tax paid back for 1889,	\$2 50
E. S. McDonnell, labor in road	
district 38, 1891, - -	7 77
David Godfrey, labor in road	
district 38, 1891, - -	4 73
Lewis D. Carver, labor in road	
district 39, 1891, - -	3 03
J. F. Pierce, Surveyors' books,	
and Stationery, - -	4 93
J. Frank Pierce, Valuation books,	
and Collector's book, - -	6 45
H. M. Hunkings, labor in road	
district 15, 1890, - -	10 18
Wm. Maxwell & Son, labor in road	
district 15, 1890, - -	5 13
William Bubier, labor in road	
district 28, 1890, - -	16 50
Daniel I. Larrabee, labor in road	
district 36, 1890, - -	2 62
Geo. N. Thurlow, labor in road	
district 36, 1890, - -	6 25
J. Gray & Son, plank and lumber in 1890,	26 73
Samuel Smith, money paid out, and,	
expenses, out of town,	
as Selectman, in 1890, - -	9 75
Samuel Smith, recording boundaries of	
Real Estate, and remittant tax,	
and keeping town books, -	10 50
David B. Allen, labor in road	
district 9, 1890-91, - -	7 38
William F. Haines, labor in road	
district 14, 1891, - -	13 50
Llewellyn Blanchard, labor in road	
district 14, 1891, - -	5 68

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Amount brought forward		\$1226 94
Thomas Webber & Son, labor on road		
district 14, 1891,	- -	4 06
James G. Preble, labor in road		
district 37, 1891,	- -	6 64
Levi Harriman, labor in road		
district 17, 1891,	- -	10 95
Charles A. Edgecombe, labor in road		
district 17, 1891,	- -	6 31
Gardiner Roberts & Son, labor in		
district 13, 1891,	- -	8 72
Charles W. Goodwin, labor in		
district 8, 1891,	- -	10 66
C. H. Gray, plank furnished town, 1890,		13 38
Wm. F. Adams, running of hearse,		
to May 20, 1891,	- -	8 75
Freeman C. Brown, labor in road		
district 4, 1891,	- -	5 34
John C. Tufford, labor in road		
district 4, 1891,	- -	4 86
A. C. Ashford, labor in road		
district 3, 1891,	- -	3 87
S. H. Ring, labor in road		
district 21, 1891,	- -	6 07
Josiah Morrell, labor in road		
district 29, 1890-91	- -	7 11
Frank E. Danforth, labor in road		
district 39, 1891,	- -	1 38
J. A. Huntington, labor in road		
district 12, 1891,	- -	10 25
Sumner Clark, labor in road		
district 37, 1891,	- -	4 17
S. G. Nutting, labor in road		
district 28, 1891,	- -	7 67
Eugene H. Parker, labor in road		
district 34, 1891,	- -	13 28

Amount brought forward, ——— \$1,226 94

Nelson Danforth, labor in road district 34, 1891, - -	5 20
Charles E. Nash, blank orders for town, 1891, - -	3 00
C. E. Maloon, materials for Barstow bridge 1891, - - -	3 58
William S. Snow, services as Constable, 1890-91, - -	8 00
W. S. Jordan, labor on road district 24, 28, 1891, - -	6 75
Augustus Gowell, labor on bridge, district 16, 1891, - -	11 30
Edward Hall, labor in road district 34, 1891, - -	1 87
C. H. Goodwin, labor in road district 36, 1891, - -	2 93
E. A. Danforth, labor in road district 34, 1891, - -	10 47
L. E. Dennison, labor in road district 28, 1891, - -	1 70
H. P. King, labor in road district 28, 1891,	5 10
W. S. Jordan, labor in road district 30, 1891, - -	5 07
Waldron Otis, labor in road district 11, 40, 1891,- -	7 12
I. W. Buker, labor in road district 1, 1891,	4 84
C. H. Hodgkins, labor and material, bridge, district 19, 1891, -	7 63
E. B. Woodard, labor in district 3, 1891,	8 25
Marshall Temple, injury to ox on bridge, in district 39, 1891, - -	12 00
F. C. Wyman, labor in road district 24, 1891, - -	7 00
D. W. Varney, plank for Crooker bridge, 1891, - - -	4 80



Amount brought forward, ——— \$1,226 94

E. P. Springer, hauling plank and labor on Crooker bridge, 1891, -	3 00
E. P. Springer and others, repairs on Buker bridge, 1891, - -	6 00
Charlotte Edgecombe, repairs on bridge, district 16, 1891, - -	19 94
Samuel Danforth, labor in district 39, 1891,	14 40
F. C. Wyman, labor in road district 21, 1891, - -	4 00
William F. Adams, running of hearse, to Nov. 1st, 1891, - -	8 25
A. E. Googins, labor in road district 11, 40, 1891, - -	6 50
Mark M. Powers labor in road district 13, 1891, - -	3 75
A. L. Small, hauling lumber for Town, 1891,	2 25
E. P. Springer, labor in road district 24, 31, 1891, - -	4 25
Geo. E. Spaulding, hauling plank and labor on Buffee bridge, -	6 06
William S. Snow, commissions for collecting taxes in 1889, -	100 14
E. N. Baker, commissions for collecting taxes in 1888, - - -	116 16
E. N. Baker, labor in road district 2, 1891, - -	19 87
J. O. Brown, plank for bridge, district 39, 1891, - -	5 16
Wm. S. Snow, posting warrant for Annual meeting, 1891, -	2 00
Josiah Morrell, loss of horse in district 29, 1891, - -	25 00
I. F. Umberhind, materials for railing Patten Mill bridge, - -	5 38

Amount brought forward,	—————	\$1,226 94
H. M. Hunkings, hauling plank, Hattin bridge, - - -		4 00
J. Gray & Son, plank for Town, 1891,		47 18
Samuel Danforth, labor in district 39, 1891, - - -		3 00
H. C. Allard, hauling derrick and labor on Hatch bridge, 1890, -		8 00
G. Roberts, Jr., services and expenses on Board of Health, - -		7 00
Thomas Holmes, services and expenses on Board of Health, - -		6 50
Enoch Adams, services and expenses on Board of Health, - -		1 00
William H. Merrill, plank and labor, district 40, 1891, - -		1 80
A. C. Goodwin, labor in road district 8, 1891, - -		11 37
O. M. Blanchard, check list and stationery,		95
Samuel Smith, counsel fee, in Danforth case, - -		2 00
L. F. Dunn, wire for Town, - -		2 66
H. F. Woodard, commissions for collecting taxes 1891, -		5 09
H. F. Woodard, fees for calling town meetings, 1891, -		4 00
W. Otis & Son, labor in road district 13, 1891, - -		17 80
Mosher & Co., books for Town clerk,		11 97
Abated in E. N. Baker's tax bills, 1888,		7 67
Abated in Wm. S. Snow's tax bills, 1889,		22 99
	—————	\$1,263 37
Overdrawn,		\$36 43

*Highway Repairs with Road Machine.*

Sum raised by town, for repairs of highway with road machine,	-	\$500 00
Paid Fred M. Babcock, labor self and team,	- \$201 25	
Paid Frank Peacock, labor self and team,	- 201 25	
Paid Frank C. Wyman, labor on machine,	- 80 00	
Paid Frank C. Wyman, repairs and materials,	14 72	
	<hr/>	\$497 22
Balance unexpended,		\$2 78

*School Books.*

Sum raised by town to purchase school books,	- -	\$225 00
Paid D. C. Heath and Co., for books,	- 40 00	
Paid E. H. Butler, for books,	88 60	
Paid William Ware and Co., for books,	- 77 44	
Paid Thompson, Brown and Co., for books,	- 18 12	
Paid E. W. Varney, for books,	26 30	
	<hr/>	\$250 46
Overdrawn,	\$25 46	

*Memorial.*

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

*New school house.*

Sum raised by town to build school house, Dist. No. 1,		700 00
Paid Vinton Earle, for material and labor,	- \$600 00	
Paid J. L. Hammett, seats for school house,	- 90 00	
Paid James E. Chase, trucking, labor, and money paid out,	- 10 89	
Paid Cyrus Kindrick, school house lot,	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$755 89
Overdrawn,	\$55 89	

*Town Debt.*

Sum raised by town to pay interest on town debt,	-	\$100 00
Money loaned by town,		300 00
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		\$400 00
Paid interest on town debt,	\$80 05	
Paid Principal on town debt,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$180 05
Unexpended,	\$219 95	

*Support of Poor.*

Sum raised by town for support of poor,	\$600 00
Received from City of Biddeford for support of Minnie McGee,	- 15 50
Paid back by town of Brunswick, for error in bill charged to town of Litchfield, and paid, for support of Charles Groves, 1890,	21 00
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	\$636 50

*Paid for Support of Poor on Town Farm.*

Paid A. D. Bartlett, sawing lumber, 1890, \$2	22	
Paid Loring F. Dunn, clothes for		
C. Ridley, -	4	25
Paid M. S. H. Rogers, fertilizers,	8	00
Paid William F. Adams, digging		
grave for C. Ridley, -	1	50
Paid Enoch Adams, medical aid for		
Margaret Wiles, -	4	50
Paid Geo. A. Bosworth, casket and robe		
for Charles Ridley, -	15	00
Paid Cyrus Kindrick, medical aid,		
Charles Ridley, -	16	25
Paid R. W. Cunningham, Supt. from		
January 1st, 1891, to January		
1st, 1892, - - -	240	00
Paid R. W. Cunningham, supplies		
over receipts, - - -	149	51
	<hr/>	\$441 23

*Support of poor off Town Farm.*

Paid Town of Brunswick, support of		
Charles Groves, -	\$10	40
Paid City of Augusta, support of		
Margaret Wiles, - -	6	50
Paid Eliza P. Randall, board of		
Margaret Wiles, - -	2	00
Paid J. W. Starbird, supplies furnished		
James Ridley's family, -	36	32
Paid J. W. Starbird, supplies furnished		
Charles Ridley, - -	2	71
Paid E. P. Springer, supplies furnished		
Charles Ridley, - -	3	20

Amount brought forward,	636 50
Paid Geo. A. Bosworth, casket and robe for Etta Ridley, - -	19 00
Paid Cyrus Kindrick, medical aid for James Ridley's family, -	20 35
Paid Samuel Smith, money paid out on case of Charles Groves, and Margaret Wiles, - .	4 75
Paid H. S. Payne, support of Benj. Landers, - - -	40 00
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Paid off the Farm,	\$145 23
Paid on the farm,	441 23
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	\$586 46
Balance in favor of Town,	\$50 04

*Value of Town Farm, Stock and Property thereon,  
February 20, 1892.*

Value of town farm, - - - \$1,200 00

Live Stock.

One horse, - - - -	\$150 00
“ pair oxen, - - - -	90 00
Two cows, - - - -	70 00
“ swine, - - - -	15 00
Thirty hens, - - - -	10 00
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	\$335 00

Hay and Fodder.

Nine tons of hay, - - -	\$70 00
Value of provisions on hand, - -	\$73 00
“ “ farming tools on hand, -	\$130 00

*Names and Ages of Paupers on Town Farm.*

Mary Nevins,	-	-	-	-	aged 89 years.
Sanford Goodwin,	-	-	-	-	aged 67 years.
Hanover Stinson,	-	-	-	-	aged 79 years.
Margaret Wiles,	on farm nine and one half months.				
Charles Ridley	on farm six weeks.				

Capt. R. W. Cunningham and wife, were again employed to superintend the farm for the year ending March 31st, 1892, at two hundred and forty dollars a year. They have faithfully discharged their duties to the town, and to the inmates under their care, having had considerable extra care and trouble, in the sickness and death of two of the inmates, who received the best of attention night and day.

*Recapitulation.*

Whole amount of resources, exclusive of schools,		\$8,400 55
State tax for 1891,	-	\$1,058 16
County tax for 1891,	-	384 62
Paid incidental expenses,	-	1,263 37
“ support of poor,	-	586 46
“ road machine,	-	497 22
“ school house,	-	755 89
“ school books,	-	250 46
“ on town debt,	-	180 05
“ memorial services,	-	25 00
Balance on selectmen's book, in favor of town, February 20, 1892,	-	\$3,399 32
		<hr/> \$8,400 55

Respectfully Submitted,

SAMUEL SMITH,  
M. S. H. ROGERS,  
E. P. SPRINGER.

} Selectmen, assessors  
and overseers of the  
poor, Litchfield.

## 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 20th, 1892; also a statement of the town debt and the amount due from the several Collectors, etc., February 20th, 1892.

Cash in Treasury, February 20th, 1891, \$265 29

Received from E. N. Baker, Collector for

1888, - - - - - 151 90

Received from Wm. S. Snow, Collector for

1889, - - - - - 302 81

Received from H. F. Woodard, Collector for

1890, - - - - - 1,958 38

Received from H. F. Woodard, and Wm.

F. Adams, Collectors for 1891, 1,592 49

Received from State Treasurer, for Free

High School for 1890, - - 95 00

Received from State Treasurer for Burial

expenses of Levi Danforth in 1890, 33 50

Received from Isaac Hancock, for

Pedler's License, - - - - - 6 00

Received from M. S. H. Rogers, for

Auction License, - - - - - 2 00

Received from Charles Green, for

Pedler's License, - - - - - 6 00

Received from State Treasurer for

Railroad tax, - - - - - 9 83

Received by commitment from Selectmen,

money paid by the City of Biddeford,  
for the support of Minnie McGee, in

1890, - - - - - 15 50



Received by commitment from Selectmen, money paid back by the Town of Brunswick, for error in bill for support of Charles W. Groves and his wife Emma, - - -	21 00
Received by commitment from Selectmen, money hired to pay demands against the Town, - - -	300 00
Received by commitment from Selectmen, money subscribed for Free High Schools, - - -	111 65
Received from State Treasurer money for Free High Schools, - -	111 65
Received from State Treasurer for State School funds, - -	571 72
	<hr/> 5,554 72

## Paid out as follows :

For Incidental Town expenses, -	\$1,255 20
“ Support of poor, - -	586 46
“ Road machine, - - -	497 22
“ School books, - - -	250 46
“ Town debt, - - -	180 05
“ Memorial services, - -	25 00
“ To build school house, - -	755 89
“ Support of schools, - -	1,645 51
“ Free High Schools, - -	223 30
Cash in Treasury February 20th, 1892,	135 63
	<hr/> \$5,554 72

*Statement of Town Debt.*

Due from H. F. Woodard, Collector for		
1890, - - - -	\$286	00
Due from Wm. F. Adams, Collector for		
1891, - - - -	4,217	90
Cash in Treasury February 20th, 1892,	135	63
	—————	\$4,639 53
Outstanding notes and interest on		
same, - - - -	\$2,222	00
Due the State on state Tax, -	355	89
Due the County on County Tax, -	384	62
Balance in favor of Town,	1,677	02
	—————	\$4,639 53

D. S. SPRINGER,

Treasurer.

Litchfield, February 20th, 1892.

## Auditor's Report.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF LITCHFIELD :

Your Auditor having made a careful examination of the Selectmen's and Treasurer's Books, would respectfully submit the following report.

Itemized bills in the hands of the Selectmen, were compared with the orders drawn and found to exactly agree with them.

Orders on file in the hands of the Treasurer exactly corresponded with the sums charged as paid out by him.

The Treasurer's accounts show that he

had cash on hand Feb. 20th, 1891,	\$265	29
Received during the year,	5289	43
	_____	\$5554 72
Has paid out during the same time,	-	-
		\$5419 09

Leaving cash in the Treasury Feb. 20th, 1892,		\$135 63
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I have examined and allowed the bills of the several town officers for the municipal year ending Feb. 20th, 1892, and allowed them as follows :

Samuel Smith, services as Selectman,

Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	-	-	\$89 25
M. S. H. Rogers, for same service,	-	-	54 00
E. P. Springer, for same service.	-	-	48 75
E. W. Varney, Supervisor of Schools,	-	-	59 50
D. S. Springer, Town Treasurer,	-	-	26 75
W. F. Adams, Town Clerk,	-	-	12 65
Chas. A. Metcalf, Auditor,	-	-	2 00

CHAS. A. METCALF,

Auditor.

## School Report.

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### TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD :

Your Supervisor, having attended to the duties required of him by law, respectfully submits the following report of the condition of the schools, for the year ending February 20th, 1892 :

Balance unexpended February 20, 1891,	\$42 42
Amount of money raised by town,	1048 00
School Fund and Mill Tax, - -	702 27
Received subscription for Free High School, - - - -	111 65
Received from State for same purpose,	111 65
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Total amount for schools,	\$2015 99
Paid for summer schools, - -	\$522 00
Paid for winter schools, - -	882 00
Paid for Free High School, - -	223 30
Paid for wood, - - - -	91 00
Repairs and incidentals, - - -	131 24
Paid on last year's account, - -	36 77
Balance unexpended, - - -	129 68
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	\$2015 99

### Litchfield Corner District.

Care of house, E. W. Varney.

No summer term.

Winter term, Mrs. Addie Baker, teacher. Whole number attending, —; average number, —; length of term, 12 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

This school has been one of the largest in town, but owing to the winter term of the Academy, was considerably lessened. Mrs. Baker met with her usual good success. The scholars were mostly small, but the advancement was satisfactory. Order was good. School still in session.

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#### South Oak Hill District.

Care of house, Fred Mitchell.

Summer Term. Mrs. Annie G. Dustin, teacher. Whole number attending, 11; average number, 9; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teachers, \$6 00 per week.

We were fortunate in securing a teacher who could take the scholars from North Oak Hill District, as there are not scholars enough in that district to run a school profitably. Mrs. Dustin won the respect of both scholars and parents. The scholars had been well taught and showed their respect for the teacher by being quiet and orderly. A good degree of advancement had been made.

Winter Term. Miles H. Dustin, teacher. Whole number attending, 14; average number, 10; length of term, 12 weeks; wages of teachers \$32 00 per month. Mr. Dustin, having taught this school the previous winter, knew just what was required. The appearance of the school at the commencement was such that we were sure of success and at the closing visit we were not disappointed.

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#### Waterman District.

Care of house, H. S. Payne.

Summer Term. Will I. Simpson, teacher. Whole number attending, 19; average number, 16; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Mr. Simpson, having no previous experience as a teacher,

we were somewhat doubtful about placing him in this school, but knowing his education was good, tried the experiment, meeting with good success. Teachers and scholars labored together with satisfactory results. We think with experience and a little more firmness in discipline, Mr. Simpson will make a good teacher. Attendance good.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Lena Allard, Ethel E. Allard, Gertie Allard, Maude Bates, May B. Elliott, Grace Elliott, Pearly Elliott, Nellie Powers, Alice Payne, Gussie Briery.

Winter Term. W. S. Brown, teacher. Whole number attending, 23; average number, 21; length of term, 12 weeks; wages of teacher, \$28 00 per month.

There was some dissatisfaction the first of the term on account of the teacher's absence for a few days to attend College duties but by his faithful work the remainder of the term this was amply repaid. Mr. Brown is alive and interested in his work. At the closing visit classes showed that they had had thorough instruction.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Lena Allard, Grace Elliott, Mattie Douglass, Edna Sprague, Gertie Allard.

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#### Grant District.

Care of house, S. P. Roberts.

Summer term, Miss Edith Glidden, teacher. Whole number attending, 13; average number, 10 1-2; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Miss Glidden is a good scholar, and has had some experience as a teacher; she entered upon her duties with a determination to succeed. This school is made up of a very quiet class of scholars willing to do all that is required of them by their teacher. Extra good work was done in all the branches. Special mention should be made of a class in oral Physiology.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Aura Haines, Della Donnell.

Winter term, same teacher. Whole number attending, 15 ; average number, 12 ; length of term, 12 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

This term was a continuation of the good work done during the summer term, reflecting credit on both teacher and scholars. The parents ought to be and we think are, satisfied with the advancement made during the year.

Scholar not absent one-half day : Edith Otis.

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#### True District.

Care of house, E. N. Pinkham.

Summer term, Miss Cora E. True, teacher. Whole number attending, 17 ; average number, 16 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 50 per week.

Miss True was a teacher with but little experience, and this school one of the best in town, nevertheless the success was better than anticipated. Miss True is a fine scholar, and has the faculty of imparting her knowledge to her scholars. Classes in Arithmetic and Algebra were well instructed, and made good improvement. Other classes were by no means neglected. Order good.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Sallie True, Sadie Tucker, Dot Tucker, Ned True, Stanley True, Hiram True, Geo. Tucker, Bert Tucker, Ralph Tucker, Elliot Morey.

Fall term, Edgar P. Neal, teacher. Whole number attending, 30 ; average number, 25 ; length of term, 10 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$57 60 per month.

Mr. Neal is a student at Colby University, and entered upon his work with some experience as a teacher. Being acquainted with most of his scholars, he knew just how to commence to accomplish the best results. Classes were well arranged. We think this a very profitable term.

Winter term, same teacher as in summer. Whole number

attending, 20 ; average number, 16 ; length of term, 12 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 50 per week

The winter term was alike prosperous. Much was accomplished. On account of sickness the school was closed for 2 weeks. Marked progress was made during the year. Miss True assisted in the Fall term.

Scholar not absent one half day : Sadie Tucker.

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### Berry District.

Care of house, B. F. Colby.

Summer term, Miss Rosie E. Waterman, teacher. Whole number attending, 10 ; average number, 9 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

At our first visit we found the school orderly and studious. The desire for study manifested at the beginning continued throughout the term, making it a profitable one. The closing visit satisfied us that the classes in the various studies pursued, had been well instructed.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Lottie M. Colby, Maud L. Peacock, C. Lester Berry.

Winter term, Miss A. H. Edgecomb, teacher. Whole number attending, 11 ; average number, 10 ; length of term, 12 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$7 50 per week.

We were fortunate in securing Miss Edgecomb, who is one of our oldest (this being her forty-sixth [46] term) and best teachers. Having taught several terms in this school, she was right at home in her work. The work in each branch was so thorough that we cannot particularize any. The closing examination was very pleasing to us.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Ernest T. Small, Lorenzo D. Small, Ralph F. Ridley, Ethel S. Colby.

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## Stevenstown District.

Care of house, J. F. Small.

Summer term, Miss Lena Gilbert, teacher. Whole number attending, 14; average number, 12; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

This was Miss Gilbert's first term. At our first visit we found the teacher endeavoring to do all she could to interest and instruct her pupils. At the closing examination all did well. Order good. We think Miss Gilbert would succeed in a larger and more advanced school.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Linnie Gowell, Georgia Gowell, Fred Harriman.

Winter term, Miss Mattie Cunningham, teacher. Whole number attending, 15; average number, 11; length of term, 12 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Miss Cunningham has taught several terms in town before with good success. This one was equally as good. The scholars who attended regularly made good improvement. Parents should be careful and have their children attend school as regular as possible. The first class in Reading did especially well.

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 Earle District.

Care of house, H. N. Jordan.

Summer term, Miss Edith E. Stewart, teacher. Whole number attending, 22; average number, 20; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 50 per week.

This school being made up this term of scholars from several districts, made the classification somewhat difficult, detracting something from its progress. However we are pleased to report it a profitable term. Her teaching was practical and thorough, and the result of her labor satisfactory.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Clara Danforth, Jennie Jordan, Abbie M. Earle, Gracie Morrill, Winfield S. Bubier, Frank Dennison, Nelson Danforth.

Winter term, Ara B. Libby, teacher. Whole number attending, 12 ; average number, 11 ; length of term, 12 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$28 00 per month.

At the examination we found the order good and pupils manifesting an interest in their work. Questions were readily answered and the general appearance of the school was satisfactory. Classes in Mathematics did good work.

The district is very much in need of a new school house or of thoroughly repairing the old one and changing the location.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Hiram Morrell, Mamie Morrell, Frank Dennison, Sallie Dennison.

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#### Mills District.

Care of house, S. H. Glass.

Summer Term. Miss Neva Hall, teacher. Whole number attending, 16 ; average number, 14 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Miss Hall, having taught this school the previous winter, was again placed in the school by request of nearly all the parents. At our first visit we left with every hope of success, which was verified at the close. The scholars are bright, active, and industrious ; the teacher devoted and energetic. Extra work was done in all the branches. One class of four (4) in oral History did extra well.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Ruth Glidden, Flossie Gilman, Eddie Gilman, Elbridge Allen, Irwin Dyer, Lizzie Dyer, Florence Howard, Birdina Gilman.

Winter Term. Same teacher. Whole number attending, 20 ; average number, 16 ; length of term, 12 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Miss Hall continued the good work done in the summer, fully sustaining her reputation as a systematic and thorough teacher. The first class in Geography could not be excelled in town. Miss Hall ranks with our best teachers.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Flossie Gilman, Ruth Glidden, Birdina Gilman, David Allen, Bertie Baker, Irwin Dyer, Elbridge Allen.

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#### Springer District.

Care of house, F. W. Libby.

Summer Term, Miss Flora Ayer, teacher. Whole number attending, 24 ; average number, 23 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Miss Ayer possesses a rare faculty of interesting as well as instructing her pupils. Her methods of instruction were good and her explanations so plain that even the youngest could not fail to understand. Closing examination showed that good advancement had been made ; a good school.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Frank Adams, George Potter, Sheridan Hutchinson, Lewis Hutchinson, Sumner Hutchinson, Chester Hutchinson, Bert Libby, Nellie Ham, May Hutchinson, Jessie Libby, Alice Libby, Clarabel Higgins, Alberta Hutchinson, Maggie Bosworth.

Winter Term. E. M. Baker, teacher. Whole number attending, 13 ; average number, 11 ; length of term, 12 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$24 00 per month.

The scholars here are studious and attentive though mostly small. The teacher labored faithfully and good improvement was made. Order excellent at each visit.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Sheridan Hutchinson.

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#### Thurlow District.

Care of house, G. N. Thurlow.

Summer Term. Miss Mattie Cunningham, teacher. Whole number attending, 13 ; average number, 10 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

As we have reported Miss Cunningham before will add but

a few words. We were much pleased with the school each visit. Classes all did well.

Scholar not absent one-half day : Edith Ridley.

Winter Term. Fred Towle, West Gardiner, teacher. Whole number attending, 16; average number, 13; length of term, 12 weeks; wages of teacher, \$24 00 per month.

Although having no experience, we thought from our knowledge of Mr. Towle that he would succeed in the school-room. At our first visit we found every prospect of a good ending. At the close we found the discipline good and the progress commendable.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Joseph Larrabee, Lizzie Larrabee.

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#### Plains District.

Care of house, M. S. H. Rogers.

Summer Term. Miss Clara Machan, of Illinois, teacher. Whole number attending, 21; average number, 18; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Miss Machan, although a stranger, came to us well recommended, having taught several terms in the West. This school formerly was one of our best, but now requires a teacher with a good education and firm in discipline. At our closing visit nearly all the classes appeared well and showed a good degree of improvement, especially in the smaller classes.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Lulu Weymouth, Edith Small, Angie Roberts, Emma Rollins, Jennie Tarr, Elmer Purinton, Frank Purinton, Bennie Small, Oscar Rollins, Earnest Tarr.

Fall Term. Millard Jack, teacher. Whole number attending, 21; average number, 20; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$31 72 per month.

Mr. Jack enters the school-room with a good education. He discharged his duties with credit to himself, and profit to

the pupils under his charge. He is an earnest worker, and an intelligent and capable teacher.

Winter Term. Miss Mabel Norcross, teacher. Whole number attending, 28; average number, 23; length of term, 12 weeks; wages of teacher, \$7 50 per week.

Miss Norcross has been reported several times in our town before, always with good success. At our first visit, the school appeared well. At the closing we found that the classes had gone over a large amount of ground but not quite thorough enough. At our first visit we mentioned the order to the teacher, but at the end it was not what we hoped to see.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Della Gilpatrick, Eddie Gilpatrick.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. VARNEY,

Supervisor.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING, 1892.

*To Henry F. Woodward, Constable of the town of Litchfield.*

Greeting :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Litchfield qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the town house in said town, on Monday, the seventh day of March, A. D., 1892, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To attend to the report of the selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor.
- Art. 4. To attend to the report of the town treasurer.
- Art. 5. To attend to the report of the auditor of accounts.
- Art. 6. To choose three or more selectmen, three or more assessors, and three or more overseers of the poor.
- Art. 7. To choose a town treasurer.
- Art. 8. To choose a town agent.
- Art. 9. To attend to the report of the supervisor of schools.
- Art. 10. To choose a supervisor or school committee.
- Art. 11. To choose an auditor, or committee on town accounts.
- Art. 12. To choose a collector of taxes, one or more constables, surveyors of wood and lumber, fence viewers, field drivers, a pound keeper, a sealer of weights and measures, and all other necessary officers, agents and committees.
- Art. 13. To choose one or more truant officers.
- Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to choose a road commissioner, or act anything in relation thereto.
- Art. 15. To vote a sum of money for support of schools.
- Art. 16. To vote a sum of money for the purchase of school books.

Art. 17. To vote a sum of money for support of poor.

Art. 18. To vote a sum of money to pay interest on town debt.

Art. 19. To vote a sum of money to pay part or all of town debt.

Art. 20. To vote a sum of money for incidental town expenses.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote a sum of money to operate the road machine.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote a sum of money for the purchase of a new road machine.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote a sum of money to build or repair, one or more school houses, and act anything in relation thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote a sum of money, to be expended by Libby Post No. 93, G. A. R., in the proper observance of Memorial day.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen and treasurer to hire money to pay the indebtedness of the town.

Art. 26. To vote a sum of money for the repairs of roads and bridges, and direct how the same shall be collected and expended.

Art. 27. To see what action the town will take for the running and care of hearse.

Art. 28. To see if the town will authorize their selectmen to accept the sum of three hundred dollars, from the widow and heirs of the late Dexter W. Danforth, in settlement of its claim against that estate and act anything in relation thereto.

Art. 29. To see if the town will authorize their selectmen to accept all money subscribed for the support of Free High schools.

Art. 30. To direct how the valuation for 1892, shall be taken.

Art. 31. To direct how future town meetings shall be called and what time in March, 1893, the next annual town meeting shall be held.

The selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session on the day, and at the place above named from nine till ten o'clock in the forenoon, to receive evidence of the qualification of voters.

Given under our hands at Litchfield, this twenty-third day of February, A. D., 1892.

SAMUEL SMITH, }  
M. S. H. ROGERS, } Selectmen  
E. P. SPRINGER, } of  
Litchfield.