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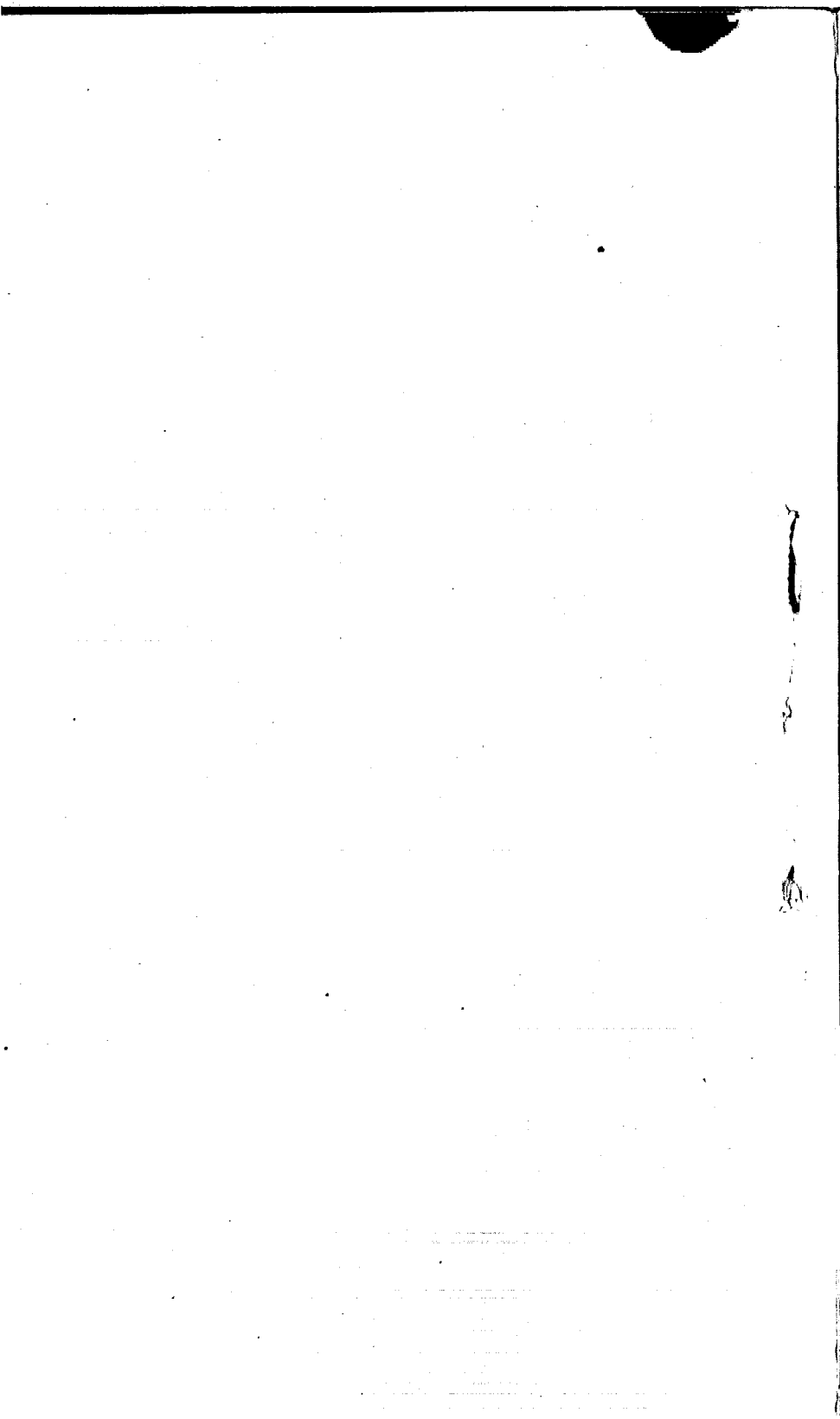
ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,  
AUDITOR  
AND  
Supervisor of Schools,  
OF THE  
TOWN OF LITCHFIELD.

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For the Municipal year ending February 18, 1893.

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AUGUSTA:  
PRESS OF CHARLES E. NASH.  
1893.



## 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 18, 1893.

#### *Valuation.*

Resident Real Estate,	-	-	\$281,250 00
Non Resident Real Estate,	-	-	37,915 00
Resident Personal Estate,	-	-	54,975 00
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Total valuation,			\$374,140 00

Number of Polls, 286. Amount assessed on each Poll, \$2.50.

#### *Appropriations for 1892.*

State Tax for 1892,	-	-	-	\$1058 16
County Tax for 1892,	-	-	-	384 62
Incidental Town Expenses,	-	-	-	1000 00
Support of Poor,	-	-	-	500 00
To expend with Road Machine,	-	-	-	500 00
To purchase School books,	-	-	-	100 00
To pay interest on Town Debt,	-	-	-	50 00
For Expenses Memorial Service,	-	-	-	25 00
To build School house in District				
No. 14,	-	-	-	400 00
For Support of Schools,	-	-	-	900 80
Fractional Overlay,	-	-	-	88 80
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				\$5,007 38

*Free High School.*

Subscribed for Free High School,	\$76 50
Received from State, - - -	34 85
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Due from State,	41 65

*Resources for Town Expenses, Exclusive of Schools.*

Balance on Selectmen's books, Feb. 20, 1892,	\$3,449 85
Assessed and committed to Collector and Treasurer, - - -	2,663 80
Received of Ellen E. Danforth, - - -	100 00
Received from the town of Sumner, for the support of Phileman Noyes, -	85 00
Received from the Estate of Hanover Stinson,	10 04
Received of George W. Earle, for School house in District No. 1, - -	20 00
Received for Non-Resident Highway taxes, -	12 36
Received from State, Railroad tax, - -	8 40
Received receipts over supplies from Town Farm for quarter ending January 1, 1893,	91 76
Received for Pedler's Licenses, - - -	6 00
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	\$6,447 21

*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 42
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	\$1,442 58
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	\$7,889 79

*Schools.*

Balance on Selectmen's books, Febr. 20, 1892,	\$129 68
Amount raised by Town, - - - -	900 80
Received from State, School Fund, - - -	699 67
Received from Town of Wales, Tuition, - -	45 00
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	\$1,775 15
Paid for support of Common Schools,	\$1,690 00
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Amount unexpended,	\$85 15

*Incidental Town Expenses.*

Sum raised by Town, 1892, -	\$1,000 00
Fractional Overlay, " - -	88 00
Received for Non-Resident Highway	
taxes, - - - -	12 36
Received for Pedlers' licenses, -	6 00
Received from State, for Railroad tax,	8 40
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	\$1,114 76

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

Samuel Smith, for services as Selectman,	
Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,	\$89 25
M. S. H. Rogers, for same service, -	54 00
E. P. Springer, for same service, -	48 75
D. S. Springer, Town Treasurer, -	26 75
E. W. Varney, Supervisor of Schools,	59 50
Wm. F. Adams, Town Clerk, - -	12 65
C. A. Metcalf, Auditor, - - -	2 00
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	\$292 90

Amount brought forward,		\$1,114 76
James G. Preble, labor in road		
district 37, - - -	1 98	
Samuel Smith, recording boundaries of		
Real Estate and keeping		
town book, 1891, - -	7 50	
Geo. A. Danforth, labor in road		
district 34, 1891-92, -	4 39	
Ensign Danforth, labor in road		
district 11, 1892, - -	9 16	
C. A. Edgecomb, labor in road		
district 17, - - -	5 75	
Horace W. Buker, labor in road		
district 1, - - -	6 50	
William T. Buker, labor in road		
district 23, - - -	8 55	
Timothy D. Payne, labor in road		
district 23, - - -	4 44	
J. Frank Pierce, Collectors' book and		
stationery, - - -	1 00	
Wm. F. Haines, hauling plank, -	6 00	
		\$82 92
A. E. Googins, labor in road		
district 40, - - -	\$3 25	
A. P. Harriman, labor in road		
district 11, 1891, - -	7 64	
H. F. Woodard, services as Constable to		
Sept. 15, 1892, - - -	8 00	
G. A. Bosworth, building voting		
shelves, &c., - - -	4 00	
E. P. Springer, lumber and labor on		
voting shelves, - - -	5 25	
E. D. Cornish, plank furnished road		
district 24, - - -	3 72	
Arthur Neal, covering for culverts, -	2 00	

Amount brought forward,	—	\$1,114 76
J. F. Morrell, labor in road		
district 29, - - -	11	51
F. M. Babcock, plank and railing in		
district 40, - - -	4	00
J. G. Preble, railing Sand Hill and		
Tilden bridges, - - -	4	50
J. W. Earle, labor on Sand and Oak Hills,	4	12
O. S. Call, services as Election Clerk,		
Nov. 8, 1892, - - -	1	50
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		\$59 49
A. H. Powers, services as Election Clerk,	\$3	00
M. H. Jack, services as Election Clerk,	1	50
H. M. Starbird, services as Election Clerk,	3	00
C. A. Metcalf, services as Ballot Clerk,	3	00
A. D. Bartlett, plank for Plimpton bridge,	18	00
S. Danforth, labor in road		
district 33, - - -	8	19
J. Gray & Son, plank for Town,	-	23 44
I. G. Vannah, spikes for district 7, -	-	90
L. F. Dunn, spikes and powder, -	-	1 63
H. Fuller, plank for Horseshoe Pond		
bridge, - - -	3	45
W. Otis & Son, labor in road		
district 40, - - -	4	12
J. F. Pierce, Stationery for Town, -	2	16
S. Powers, plank for Town, - - -	3	41
G. N. Thurlow, labor of self and team on		
Sand hill, - - -	2	37
C. Kindreck, making certificates of		
Births and Deaths, - - -	2	50
I. W. Gilbert, making certificates of		
Births and Deaths, - - -	2	50
Alonzo Gowell, labor on Jaquith Bridge,	1	50
Enoch Adams, services on local		
board of health, - - -	3	00



Amount brought forward,	—	\$1,114 76
Thomas Holmes, services on local board of health, - -	4 00	
G. Roberts, Jr., services on local board of health, - -	5 00	
A. C. True, labor in road district 12,	4 25	
H. F. Woodard, services as Constable,	7 00	
Wm. F. Adams, care and running Hearse,	30 50	
H. F. Woodard, part pay for collecting tax, 1890, - - -	80 00	
John Purinton, plank and material in road district 26, - - -	2 06	
Jesse Hatch, plank and material in road district 26, - - -	2 08	
Abated in H. F. Woodard's tax bills, 1890,	42 74	
Abated in W. F. Adams' tax bills, 1891,	24 99	
	—	\$290 29
Expended,		\$918 61
Resources,		1,114 76
		—
Favor of Town,		\$196 15

*Highway Repairs with Road Machine.*

Sum raised by town - - -	\$500 00
Paid Fred M. Babcock, labor, self and team, - - -	431 24
F. C. Wyman, labor and babits, -	77 86
George Taylor, sections, - -	8 50
F. W. Dick, axles and repairs, -	13 32
	—
	\$530 50
	—
Overdrawn,	\$30 50

*School Books.*

Sum raised by town, - - -		\$100 00
Paid Wm. Ware and Co., School books, 41 96		.
Paid Thompson, Brown and Co., - 12 00		
Paid Leach, Showell and Co., - 20 16		
Paid H. Taylor, express on books, - 1 40		
	<hr/>	\$75 52
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Favor of Town,		\$24 48

*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,	\$400 00
Money received for old school house in district No. 1, - - -	20 00
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	\$420 00

*Expended.*

C. A. Norcross, labor, - - -	12 50
C. E. Maloon, lumber, - - -	19 00
S. Clark, material furnished district 14,	50 00
H. M. Bubier, labor on School house,	40 20
C. H. Goodwin, labor, self and team,	62 62
Clark and Milliken, lumber for School house, - - -	130 12
S. Clark, labor, self and team, -	40 93
J. H. Day, material furnished, -	19 86
R. C. Pingree and Co., lumber, doors, sash, &c., - - -	37 08
H. Taylor, labor, - - -	17 90

A. Bubier, hauling sand and grading,	5	50	
J. E. Chase, trucking seats and material,	9	63	
R. Barrett, seats furnished,	-	-	75 00
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			\$520 34

Overdrawn,			<hr/>	\$120 34
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*Town Debt.*

Sum raised by town, to pay interest,			\$50 00
Paid interest on town debt,	-	-	\$88 75
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			\$88 75

Overdrawn,			<hr/>	\$38 75
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Sum raised by town, for support of poor, for 1892,	\$500 00
Received from the town of Sumner, for	
support of Phileman Noyes,	85 00
Received on the estate of Hanover Stinson,	10 04
Receipts over supplies on Town Farm, ending	
January 1, 1893,	91 76
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	\$686 80

*Paid for support of Poor, on Town Farm.*

Paid R. W. Cunningham, Superintendent	
for quarter ending, April 1, 1892,	\$60 00
Paid supplies over receipt, April 1, 1892,	55 38
Paid R. W. Cunningham, services to	
July 1, 1892,	- - 60 00
Paid R. W. Cunningham, for supplies	
over receipts,	- - 46 97
Paid F. C. Brown, Coffin for H. Stinson,	11 00
Paid F. C. Brown, Coffin for Mary Nevins,	15 00
Paid A. D. Bartlett, sawing lumber,	7 35

Paid R. W. Cunningham, Superintendent,	
quarter ending, Oct. 1, 1892,	60 00
Paid R. W. Cunningham, supplies,	
quarter ending, Oct. 1, 1892,	28 40
Paid R. W. Cunningham, quarter ending	
Jan. 1, 1893,	- - 60 00
Paid I. W. Gilbert, medical aid to	
H. Stinson,	- - 3 00
Paid W. F. Adams, digging graves for	
Hanover Stinson and	
Mary Nevins,	- - 3 00
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	\$410 10

*Support of Poor off Town Farm.*

Paid for support of Poor off Town Farm,	\$686 80
Paid I. W. Gilbert, medical aid to	
Phileman Noyes,	- - \$36 00
Paid G. E. Ricker, board and care of	
Phileman Noyes,	- - 49 00
Paid H. S. Payne, support and care of	
Benj. Landers,	- - 65 00
Paid F. J. Toothaker, supplies furnished	
Joseph M. Lancaster's family,	10 00
Paid Mrs. Lucy Whitney, nursing	
Mrs. J. W. Lancaster,	10 00
Paid G. A. Bosworth, casket and robe	
for Benj. Landers,	- 15 00
Paid J. W. Starbird, supplies furnished	
Horace Ridley,	- - 1 36
Paid I. W. Gilbert, medical aid to	
Benj. Landers,	- - 18 38
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Paid off the Farm,	\$204 74

Paid on the Farm,	410 10	
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	\$614 84	\$614 84

Balance in favor of Town,		<hr/>	\$71 96
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*Value of Town Farm, Stock and Property thereon,  
February 18, 1893.*

Value of town farm, - - - \$1200 00

Live Stock.

One horse,	-	-	-	-	150 00
One pair oxen,	-	-	-	-	100 00
Two cows,	-	-	-	-	45 00
One year old,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Twenty-five hens,	-	-	-	-	12 00
Two swine,	-	-	-	-	20 00
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					\$237 00

Hay, Fodder, &c.

Six tons of hay,	-	-	-	-	\$90 00
One ton of straw,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Value of farming tools,	-	-	-	-	120 00
Provisions on hand,	-	-	-	-	57 65

*Names and Ages of Paupers on Town Farm.*

Hanover Stinson, from Jan. 1, to May 4, 1892.	Aged 79.
Mary Nevens, from Jan. 1, to May 8, 1892.	Aged 89.
Margaret Wiles, from Jan. 1, to Feb. 15, 1892.	
Sanford Goodwin from Jan. 1, 1892, to Jan. 1, 1893.	Aged 68.

Capt. R. W. Cunningham and wife, were again employed to superintend the farm for the year ending, March 31, 1893, at two hundred and forty dollars a year.

*Recapitulation.*

Whole resources of Town, exclusive of Schools, \$7,889 79		
State tax for 1892,	-	\$1,058 16
County tax for 1892,	-	384 62
Paid incidental expenses,	-	918 61
“ support of poor,	-	614 84
“ road machine,	-	530 52
“ school books,	-	75 52
“ Memorial services,	-	25 00
“ town debt,	-	89 15
“ school house,	-	520 34
Balance on selectmen's book		
February 18, 1893,	3,673 03	
	<hr/>	\$7,889 79

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HOLMES,  
E. P. SPRINGER,  
F. N. ADAMS,

} 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 18th, 1893 ; also a statement of the town debt and the amount due from the several Collectors, etc., February 18th, 1893.

Cash in Treasury, February 20th, 1892,	\$135 63
Received from H. F. Woodard, Collector of	
1890,           -   -   -   -   -	199 00
Received from Wm. F. Adams, Collector of	
1891,           -   -   -   -   -	3388 00
Received from Wm. F. Adams, Collector of	
1892,           -   -   -   -   -	1630 00
Received from State Treasurer for Free high	
school, 1892,   -   -   -   -   -	34 85
Received from Charles Green,	
Pedler's License,       -   -   -	6 00
Received from State Treasurer	
Railroad tax,       -   -   -   -	8 40
Received by commitment from Selectmen	
money received from Ellen Danforth,	100 00
Received by commitment from Selectmen	
money paid by Town of Sumner for	
support of Philemon Noyes, Feb.	
1892,           -   -   -   -   -	85 00
Received by commitment from Selectmen	
money received by subscription for Free	
High School in 1892,   -   -   -	76 50
Received by commitment from Selectmen	
money received from estate of	
Harmon Stinson,       -   -   -	10 04

Received by commitment from Selectmen		
money received from sale of school		
house, - - - - -	20	00
Received by commitment from Selectmen		
money received from R. W. Cunningham,		
it being receipts over supplies, quarter		
ending Dec. 31st, 1892, - -	91	76
Received from Selectmen by commitment		
money received from the Town of Wales		
for tuition of scholars in district No. 2, -	45	00
Received by commitment from Selectmen		
money collected by Treasurer on		
Non-Resident highway taxes of 1891, -	12	36
Received from State Treasurer, State School		
fund, - - - - -	702	27
	<hr/> \$6544 81	

## Paid out as follows :

For Incidental Town expenses, -	\$918	28
" Support of Poor, - -	614	84
" Memorial Services, - -	25	00
" Road machine, - -	530	52
" School books, - -	75	52
" Town debt, - -	89	15
" To Build School house, - -	520	34
" Support of Schools, - -	1707	50
" Free High School, - -	153	00
" State tax of 1891, - -	1058	16
" County tax of 1891, - -	384	62
" County tax of 1892, - -	200	00
Cash in Treasury February 18th, 1893, -	267	88
	<hr/> \$6544 81	

*Statement of Town Debt.*

Due from H. F. Woodward, Collector of	
1890, - - - - -	\$87 00



Due from Wm. F. Adams, Collector of 1891, - - - - -	829 90
Due from Wm. F. Adams, Collector of 1892, - - - - -	3377 38
Due from State Treasurer, School funds for 1892, - - - - -	699 69
Due from State Treasurer for Free High School of 1892, - - - - -	41 65
Cash in Treasury February 18th, 1893,	267 88
	<hr/> \$5303 48
Outstanding notes and interest on same,	\$2221 00
Due the State on State tax of 1892,	1058 16
Due the County on County tax of 1892,	184 62
Balance in favor of town, - - -	1839 70
	<hr/> \$5303 48

D. S. SPRINGER,

Treasurer.

Litchfield, February 18th, 1893.

## Auditor's Report.

TO THE CITIZENS OF LITCHFIELD :

Your Auditor having carefully examined and compared 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, 1892,	-	\$135 63	
Received during the year,	-	6409 18	
		<hr/>	\$6544 81
Has paid out during the same time,	-	-	\$6276 93
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Leaving cash on hand Feb. 18th, 1893,			\$267 88

I have examined and allowed the bills of the several town offices for the municipal year ending Feb. 18th, 1893, as follows :

Samuel Smith, services as Selectman, Assessor

and Overseer of Poor, to Sept. 10th, 1892,	\$63 75
Thomas Holmes, for same service since Sept. 10th,	21 75
E. P. Springer, for same service during the year,	46 50
F. N. Adams, for same service during the year,	38 25
Wm. F. Adams, Town Clerk, - - -	20 25
D. S. Springer, Town Treasurer, - - -	26 75
Henry Taylor, Supervisor of Schools. - - -	65 50
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 respectfully submits the following report of the condition of the schools for the year ending February 18, 1893.

Balance unexpended, Feb. 20, 1893,	\$129 68
Amount of money raised by town,	900 80
School fund and mill tax, - -	699 67
Received subscription for Free High	
School, - - -	76 50
Received from State, for same purpose,	34 85
Amount due from State, - -	41 65
Received from the town of Wales	
(tuition), - - -	45 00
	\$1,928 15

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### *Total amount expended for Schools.*

Paid for summer schools, - -	\$607 50
Paid for winter schools, - -	807 50
Paid for Free High School , - -	153 00
Paid for wood, - - - -	90 00
Repairs and incidentals, - -	95 30
Paid on last year's account, - -	89 70
Balance unexpended, - - -	85 15
	\$1,928 15

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### Litchfield Corner District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 19 ; average number, 15 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 50 per week. Winter term, whole number attending, 20 ;

average number, 18; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Mrs. Etta T. Taylor, taught both terms. She is a teacher of large experience and thoroughly enjoys the work and the school made good advancement under her care.

Scholars not absent one half day: Summer term, Charley Larrabee, Genie Campbell, Carl Taylor, Edith Earle, Annie Belle Taylor; Perley Campbell, 5 years old, was absent one-half day.

Winter term, Perley Perry, Charlie Larrabee, Carl Taylor, Edith Earle, Bertha Purinton and Annie Belle Taylor.

#### South Oak Hill.

Summer term, whole number attending, 9; average number, 7; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Winter term, whole number attending, 6; average number, 5; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Both terms were taught by Miss Jennie Mitchell. This school is small and requires a teacher of tact and skill to create a desire for study. Miss Mitchell possesses these qualifications. Her methods of instruction and discipline are of the highest order, and the school made good progress. We should have confidence to place this teacher in a larger and more advanced school. Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Kate Riley, Mary Riley. Winter term, Kate Riley.

#### Waterman District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 22; average number, 19; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Miss Edith Stewart taught the summer term. At our first visit the appearance of the school foretold a successful term, and at the closing visit, the scholars showed a good degree of advancement.

Winter term, whole number attending, 26; average number, 23; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$7 00 per week.

Mr. E. W. Varney teacher. Mr. Varney has had a number of successful terms of experience, mostly in his own town; he entered upon his duties in this school with a determination to succeed, and his labors were not a failure.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Lena M. Allard, Edna F. Sprague, Mattie M. Douglass, Gertie M. Allard.

Winter term, Edna F. Sprague, Mattie Douglass, Gussie P. Briery, Gertie Allard.

#### Grant District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 9; average number, 7; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 50 per week.

Rose Waterman teacher. At our first visit we found teacher and scholars deeply interested in their work, and this interest continued through the term. The closing visit showed that much hard work had been done; much credit is due both teacher and scholars.

Winter term, whole number attending, 10; average number, 7; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 25 per week.

Miss Neva Hall teacher. Miss Hall has had previous experience in this school, and understood the wants of the pupils, and with this knowledge and her easy manner of conducting recitations a large amount of work was accomplished.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Edith Otis.

## True District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 14; average number, 12; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teachers, \$5 50 per week.

Miss Cora True, teacher. She has had charge of this school several terms. The scholars are active and worked with zeal, and made excellent advancement.

Winter term, whole number attending, 17; average number, 15; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 25 per week.

Miss Fannie True, teacher.

Miss Fannie True has had a large experience, several terms of which have been in this school, and the district is always satisfied, so far as we know, to have her there. She inspires her pupils with enthusiasm and does good, faithful work wherever she is placed.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term; winter term, Sadie Tucker, Sallie H. True, George Tucker, Ralph Tucker.

## Berry District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 11; average number, 9; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 25 per week.

Winter term, whole number attending, 10; average number, 9; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$7 00 per week.

Miss Augusta H. Edgecomb, teacher.

Miss Edgecomb has had charge of this school the most of the time for a number of years and her services are highly appreciated by the district. She was retained for the year and the school made commendable progress.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Lester C. Berry, Lorenzo D. Small. Winter term, Lester C. Berry, Lorenzo D. Small, James A. Colby, Ethel S. Colby, Mertie B. Colby.

## Stevenstown District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 18 ; average number, 14 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$5 50 per week.

Miss Fannie True, teacher.

The scholars at the commencement of the term, manifested great interest, and the teacher took special pains with each class that each principle should be thoroughly understood ; one class in oral history deserves special mention. The closing examination showed that teacher and scholars had made good use of their time.

Winter term, whole number attending, 15 ; average number, 14 ; length of term, 10 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Miss Rose E. Waterman, teacher.

Miss Waterman has already been reported as teacher, in another part of the town. She manifested excellent qualities as an instructor, and we placed her in this school with confidence that she would do well. She gave perfect satisfaction to parents and supervisor. A profitable year for this school. It has taken a new start, and none but competent teachers will satisfy this district in future.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Summer term, Linda Gowell, Inez M. Gowell. Winter term, Georgie Gowell, Linda Gowell, Inez Gowell, Nina Haynes, Oscar Williams.

## Earle District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 10 ; average number, 8 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Winter term, whole number attending, 10 ; average number, 8 ; length of term, 8 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 50 per week.

Miss Mattie Cunningham taught this school for the year and transported the scholars from number 4. She has had

considerable experience in the schools, in town; is pleasant and easy in the school-room and the school made excellent advancement.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Carrie Alexander, Mamie Morrell, Josiah Morrell. Winter term, Sula Dennison.

#### Mills District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 18; average number, 16; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 75 per week.

Miss Mabel Norcross, taught the summer term. At our first visit we found the school orderly, in good condition, and well classified, and we were confident that good work would be done. At our closing visit the pupils gave fine explanations of the principles that they had taken up, during the session. A successful term.

Winter term, whole number attending, 26; average number, 20; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$7 00 per week.

Mr. Miles H. Dustin, teacher.

Mr. Dustin has taught in town several terms and always with success. The scholars worked with him, and much practical knowledge was acquired. The closing examination was very satisfactory.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Flossie Gilman, Nettie Dyer, Edna Dyer, Elbridge Allen, Bertie Baker, Irvin Dyer. Winter term, David Allen, Elbridge Allen, Frank Butler.

#### Springer District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 13; average number, 11; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 50 per week.

Miss Lena Gilbert, teacher.



This school has often been reported as an orderly school and it maintained its reputation under the direction of Miss Gilbert, and gave evidence at the close of good instruction.

Winter term, whole number attending, 13; average number, 11; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$7 00 per week.

Mr. Emery M. Baker, teacher.

Mr. Baker, had been in this school before, and the district wanted him again; he is a fine disciplinarian and thorough and conscientious instructor, and the school made marked progress.

Scholars not absent one-half day: Summer term, Herbert Libby. Winter term, Sadie Bosworth, Lewis Hutchinson.

#### North Oak Hill.

Winter term, whole number attending, 3; average number, 3; length of term, 6 weeks; wages of teacher, \$4 50 per week.

Wallace Stewart, teacher.

We decided to have a short term in this district, because we could not get the scholars carried to South Oak Hill. This was Mr. Stewart's first experience, but he displayed some admirable qualities as a teacher, and his labors were satisfactory to parents and supervisor.

Scholars not absent one-half day: H. L. Rose, D. S. Powers.

#### Thurlow District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 12; average number, 10; length of term, 9 weeks; wages of teacher, \$5 00 per week.

Winter term, whole number attending, 19; average number, 14; length of term, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Roscoe Bosworth, teacher.

Mr. Bosworth taught the summer term, and gave satisfaction,

and his services were retained for the winter. It is much better for any school to retain a competent teacher. A teacher can do more satisfactory work the second term than the first. A teacher taking charge of a school for the first time has to learn the capacity of each pupil, and deal with him accordingly. Mr. Bosworth's work was satisfactory to all.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Summer term, Bertie Powers, Joseph Larrabee, Grace M. Haley, Willie Haley, Laura Ridley. Winter term, Berton Powers, Edith Ridley, Ida M. Larrabee, Lizzie Larrabee.

#### Plains District.

Summer term, whole number attending, 18 ; average number, 18 ; length of term, 9 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$6 00 per week.

Emery M. Baker, teacher.

We had hard work to get a teacher for this school for the wages we could pay. A supervisor can pay no more than he has money to pay with. We were fortunate at last to secure the services of Mr. Baker. One of Mr. B's characteristics is that when he *says no* he *means* NO. Good order was established at the beginning and retained through the term. Mr. Baker's qualifications as an instructor have already been mentioned. This was a successful and profitable term for this district.

Winter term, whole number attending, 17 ; average number, 17 ; length of term, 10 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$7 00 per week.

George M. Rogers, teacher.

The fact that 14 out of 17 pupils did not miss a half-day during a term of 10 weeks, is recommendation enough for this school. Mr. Rogers taught his pupils to think for themselves. He is clear and concise in his explanations. He kept good order, and the school did excellent work. This school has been blessed this year with competent and faithful teachers.

Scholars not absent one-half day : Summer term, Della Gilpatrick, Frank W. Purinton, Ernest E. Tarr. Winter term, Sadie L. Hutchinson, Angie V. Roberts, Minnie E. Rollins, Della Gilpatrick, Eddie Gilpatrick, Lee M. Varney, Frank Purinton, Clara D. Hutchinson, Emma A. Rollins, Edith M. Small, Ernest Tarr, Elmer J. Purinton, Ray Small, Walter I. Varney.

### REMARKS.

There have been two Free High Schools in town during the year; one was held in the Waterman school house, and was taught by W. I. Simpson, with 21 pupils; the other was held in the Plains' school house, and was taught by Geo. M. Rogers, with 19 pupils; each being a term of 10 weeks. Both were profitable terms. A third term of Free High School is now in session at the Waterman house with W. S. Brown as teacher.

Our teachers, with one exception had had previous experience, and all did satisfactory work. Some of them, however would do well to draw the reins of government a little tighter. The terms were shorter than last year as we had not as much money to work with, also some quite extensive repairs had to be made to make the houses comfortable. The house in the Earle district is beyond redemption. Parents declined to send their children when the cold, rough weather came, and therefore, the winter term was shortened.

Parents have manifested much interest in their schools during the year, which has been a help and encouragement to your supervisor.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY TAYLOR.

Supervisor.

# WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

*To H. F. Woodard, 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 sixth day of March, A. D., 1893, 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, and 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 the 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 the 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 to purchase a new road machine.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to build a school house in District No. 10, 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 authorize the selectmen and treasurer, to hire money to pay the indebtedness of the town.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to pay back the commutation money paid by drafted men in the war of the Rebellion.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to redistrict the town school districts and act anything in relation thereto.

Art. 28. To vote a sum of money for repairs of roads and bridges and direct how the same shall be collected and expended.

Art. 29. To see what action the town will take for the running and care of the hearse.

Art. 30. To see if the town will authorize their selectmen to accept all money subscribed for support of Free High Schools.

Art. 31. To direct how the valuation for the year 1893, shall be taken.

Art. 32. To direct how future town meetings shall be called, and what time in March, 1894, 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 received evidence of qualification of voters.

Given under our hands at Litchfield, this eighteenth day of February, A. D., 1893.

THOMAS HOLMES,  
E. P. SPRINGER,  
F. N. ADAMS,

Selectmen of Litchfield.