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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER
AND SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,
OF THE
TOWN OF RUMFORD,
FOR THE
Year Ending Feb. 11, 1888.

NORWAY, MAINE.

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TOWN OFFICERS.



WALDO PETTENGILL,	}	-	-	-	{	Selectmen, Assessors,
SAMUEL L. MOODY,						and
JERRY H. MARTIN,						Overseers of Poor.
JAMES S. MORSE,	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk.
C. W. KIMBALL,	-	-	-	-	-	Treasurer.
E. H. ELLIOT,	-	-	-	-	-	Supervisor.
CHARLES H. ABBOTT,	-	-	-	-	-	Collector and Constable.

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.



VALUATION.

Whole number of Polls, 230.	
Amount of resident real estate.....	\$188,120 00
Amount of non-resident real estate.....	12,785 00
Amount of resident personal estate.....	79,065 00
Amount of non-resident personal estate	2,877 00
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Total valuation (full value)	\$282,847 00

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

State tax.....	\$968 55
County tax.....	418 88
For schools	804 80
Interest on debt	200 00
Support of poor.....	400 00
Current expenses.....	500 00
Discount on taxes	300 00
Roads and bridges	2,250 00
Fractional overlay.....	274 71
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Total committed to collector.....\$6,116 94
Rate, 2 cents on a dollar. Polls, \$2.00 each.

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Amount raised by town.....	\$804 80
Interest on town school fund.....	175 80
From State school fund.....	565 90
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Total divided	\$1,546 50
Amount taken out for small districts.....	79 10
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Leaving for apportionment.....	\$1,467 40

No. of District....	No. of Scholars...	Amt. Apportioned.	Amount Added...	Total Apportionment for 1887.....	Not Drawn in 1886.	Over Drawn in '86.	Amount to Expend in 1887.....
1	24	\$110.40		\$110.40	\$14.43		\$124.83
2	32	147.20		147.20			147.20
3	20	92.00	\$12.00	104.00	6.91		110.91
4	22	101.20	7.10	108.30		\$8.50	99.80
5	24	110.40		110.40	7.31		117.71
6	28	128.80		128.80		.13	128.67
7	25	115.00		115.00	.27		115.27
8	44	202.40		202.40	13.54		215.94
9	31	142.60		142.60	8.29		150.89
10	9	41.40	20.00	61.40	.88		62.28
11	8	36.80	20.00	56.80	22.80		79.60
12	33	151.80		151.80		13.13	138.67
13	13	59.80	20.00	79.80			79.80
*	6	27.60		27.60	22.00		49.60
	319	\$1,467.40	\$79.10	\$1,546.50	\$96.43	\$21.76	\$1,621.17

*Children of L. F. Swain.

Whole number of scholars, 319. Rate per scholar, \$4.60.

PAUPER BILLS.

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

	DR.
Salary of Overseer from Feb. 1st, 1887, to Feb. 1st, 1888.....	\$135 00
Groceries and provisions.....	74 44
Meal	15 00
Fertilizers	8 00
Repairs.....	17 32
Blacksmith bill	4 25
Grass seed.....	2 50
Use of bull... ..	1 50
Extra labor.....	28 50
Ferriage.....	60
Total.....	\$287 41
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By stock sold.....	\$191 50
Pasturage collected	22 50
Pork sold.....	2 65
Hay "	1 60

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By Eggs sold.....	\$6 25
Poultry sold	3 18
Beans "	17 40
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Total.....	\$245 08
Balance against town.....	42 33
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	\$287 41

Board has been furnished on the town farm as follows:

For Fanny Clark..... 44 weeks

PAUPER BILLS OFF THE FARM.

Royal A. Clements:

For supplies.....	\$23 61
For medical attendance.....	6 00
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	\$29 61

A. D. Taylor and family:

For supplies.....	19 32
For medical attendance.....	10 00
Funeral expenses.....	28 00
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	57 32

Mrs. Wm. DeLano:

Funeral charges and expense of last sickness101 80

John L. Noyes of Sumner:

For supplies.....	18 04
For medical attendance.....	10 00
For rent.....	3 10
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	31 14

Elbridge A. Smith of Oxford:

For supplies.....	13 66
For medical attendance.....	6 50
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	20 16

Total bills off the farm \$240 03

Cash from Sumner on Noyes bill28 64

Due from Oxford on Smith bill.....20 16

" " State A. D. Taylor funeral bill28 00

Total..... \$76 80

Leaving pauper expense off the farm for 1887.....\$163 23

Expense of farm above income..... 42 33

Total pauper expense for year..... \$205 56

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ON POOR FARM.

Two cows.
 One 3 years old heifer.
 Two two years old steers.
 One 1 year old heifer.
 Twenty-three hens.
 Nineteen and one-half tons of hay.
 Two tons of straw.
 Thirty bushels of oats.
 Twenty-five bushels of ears of corn.
 Two bushels of beans.
 Four hundred lbs. of pork.
 Fifteen bushels of potatoes.
 Thirty lbs. of lard.
 Forty lbs. of butter.
 Twenty-five lbs. of dried apple.
 Groceries sufficient to last till April 1st, 1888.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

There has been allowed and paid on road certificates of labor under the direction of the several highway surveyors in accordance with the votes of the town passed at the last annual meeting.....\$2,664 04

And your selectmen would recommend that there should be some change in the method of caring for the roads. We think it costs too much for the work that is performed.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

W. S. Richardson.....	\$ 3 14
Wilson Thomas.....	7 74
Martin L. Wyman.....	4 12
F. W. Sanborn, printing town report.....	11 75
John F. Twombly, land damage.....	14 00
Books and stationery.....	10 50
W. Pettengill, cash paid out.....	3 97
S. L. Moody, " " "	7 13
Fred A. Porter, " " "	3 00

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Waldo Pettengill, selectman, assessor, etc.....	\$ 33 00
Samuel L. Moody, " " "	35 00
Jerry H. Martin, " " "	27 75
C. W. Kimball, treasurer.....	25 00
C. H. Abbott, collector.....	100 00
C. H. Abbott, constable.....	2 00
Edmund H. Elliot, supervisor.....	50 00

STANDING OF TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

Due Mrs. Abigail Newton at 6 per cent.....	\$ 100 00
Mrs. Ann M. Newton at 5 per cent.....	135 00
C. H. Kimball at 4 per cent.....	225 00
Trustees of school fund at 6 per cent.....	2,930 00
Interest outstanding on above notes.....	160 00
School districts.....	618 70
Town officers.....	272 75
Total.....	\$4,441 45

RESOURCES.

In hands of C. H. Abbott, Coll. for 1886.....	\$ 236 49
" " " " " " " 1887.....	1,310 86
" " " Supervisor.....	180 67
" " " C. W. Kimball, treasurer.....	445 83
" " " Town of Sumner.....	2 50
" " " " " Oxford.....	20 16
Town Farm stock and tools.....	2,300 00
Total.....	\$4,496 51

RECOMMENDATIONS.

For schools.....	\$ 804 80
Poor	400 00
Interest ..	200 00
Current expenses.....	500 00
Discounts	400 00
Roads and bridges under the present system.....	3,000 00

WALDO PETTENGILL, } *Selectmen*
 S. L. MOODY, } *of*
 JERRY H. MARTIN, } *Rumford.*

Dated Rumford, Feb. 10th, 1888.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.



1887.	Dr.
Feb. 5, To cash balance in treasury	\$ 715 73
Paying interest on school fund note	117 20
Cash from Coll. for 1885	147 16
" " " " 1886	669 78
" " " " 1887	3,418 65
" " S. L. Moody for stock sold from farm.	191 50
" " Supervisor for books sold	15 11
" " State Treasurer for R. R. tax	222 16
" " " " school fund	565 90
" Received for pasturing from farm	22 50
" " " pork sold " "	2 65
" " " hay " " "	1 60
" " from town of Sumner	28 64
" " " " " East Livermore	2 10
" Borrowed of Mrs. Abigail Newton	50 00
" from State for State Pensions	108 00
	\$6,278 68

1887.	Cr.
Apr. 24, By paying interest on school fund note	\$ 117 20
" " " C. H. Kimball's note	9 00
" " " Abigail Newton's note	5 00
" " " Ann M. Newton's note	13 50
" " " temporary loans	52 15
Orders taken up and canceled	5,528 00
Paying State pensions	108 00
Cash balance in treasury	445 83
	\$6,278 68

C. W. KIMBALL, Treasurer of Rumford.

Rumford, Feb. 10th, 1888.

This certifies that the undersigned have carefully examined the above account and found it correct and the balance in the Treasurer's hands is \$445.83.

WALDO PETTENGILL, S. L. MOODY, J. H. MARTIN,	}	<i>Selectmen of Rumford.</i>
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SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

SCHOOL BOOK ACCOUNT.

DR.

Amount received March '87.....	\$186 64
Books bought during year.....	86 33
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	\$272 97

CR.

Amount on hand.....	\$180 67
“ paid for books.....	86 33
“ paid for expressage, etc.....	4 78
“ cash on hand.....	1 19
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	\$272 97

A TABULAR STATEMENT OF SCHOOLS.

No. of District....	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	No. Scholars Registered.			Average No. Registered.			Length Sch's in Weeks.			Wages per Month.	Wages per Week.	Price of Board.
		S.	F.	W.	S.	F.	W.	S.	F.	W.			
1	Jennie Martin,.....			16			14			10		\$5.00	Giv.
	Jennie Martin,... ..	14			13			10				5.00	Giv.
2	Annie Putman,.....	10			7			8				2.50	\$2.00
	Hattie M. Newton, .		5			5			6			2.50	2.00
	*John J. Elliot,.....			19							\$23		Giv.
3	Jennie Blodgett,.....	17			15			10				2.30	1.25
	Maydel Heminway,..			19			16			12		3.00	1.60
4	Annie Hodgdon,.....	9			8			9				3.00	Giv.
	†Fred S. Irish,.....												
5	Jennie Barker,.....	13			10			10				3.00	Giv.
	†John R. Howe,.....												
6	Thalia Goddard,.....	15			13			8				3.00	Giv.
	Mina Howe,.....		17			16			8			4.00	Giv.
	Jas. S. Hutchins,.....			20			16			8	\$30		Giv.
7	Luna Abbott,.....	15			14			8				4 00	Giv.
	*Alice Bryant,.... .												
8	Jennie Farnum,.. .	22			20			8				3.00	2.00
	*C. H. Abbott,.....												
9	Lucy Lufkin,.....	18			13			9				3.00	Giv.
	Ozroe Wyman,... ..			14			12			13	\$20		1.75
10	Jennie Elliott,... ..		11			9			12			3.00	1.25
	†Katie Thomas,.....												
12	Annie Martin,.....	13			11			9				3 50	1.00
	Annie Martin,.....		19			16			6			3.50	1.50
	†Marshall Howard,..												
13	Sadie Martin,.....	7			6			9				2.00	Giv.
	*Humbert Thomas, .												

*Still in session. †Register not received.

Names of Agents in the several Districts: No. 1, Dr. J. Stuart; Dist. No. 2, F. V. Abbott; Dist. No. 3, C. E. Kenison; Dist. No. 4, V. E. Fuller; Dist. No. 5, John Howe; Dist. No. 6, L. D. Elliott; Dist. No. 7, F. H. Bartlett; Dist. No. 8, W. J. Kimball; Dist. No. 9, J. Bishop; Dist. No. 10, Wm. Porter; Dist. No. 12, Aaron P. Hall; Dist. No. 13, Dorington Wyman.

I ask to be excused from criticising the individual work of the teachers who have taught our schools during the past year. Not that they have less faithfully performed their duties but that their merits are now known and felt among all who are interested in the welfare of our scholars. I'll say in their behalf that I think each has worked for the interest of the scholars, to his or her best ability and this is all we can expect.

It may be well as a reminder to add that the agents should look for other qualities in a teacher than to knowledge, merely.

If there could be some way of classifying our scholars in our schools it would be of a great advantage. And I know of no way unless it could be brought about by the town owning the text books and loaning them to the scholars. It would help our schools and it would be giving aid in the right direction.

It seems advisable that Dist. No. 11 should be discontinued, at present, and divided between Nos. 10 and 13. It cost at the rate of about \$20 to educate one scholar thirteen weeks. Why wouldn't it be better to hire some one to carry the three or four scholars to other districts and prolong the term there, rather than to hire a teacher for three scholars?

No. 8 now has a good and comfortable house,—\$200 well expended and something to show as the result.

I submit my report to the public, thanking them for the trust given to my care, and asking for the co-operation of all in the duties of my successor.

Respectfully,

E. H. ELLIOT.