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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**  
OF THE  
**TOWN OF RUMFORD,**  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
**FEBRUARY 15, 1895.**

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# RUMFORD FALLS DIRECTORY.

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## MUNICIPAL OFFICERS.

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SELECTMEN.—J. S. Morse, G. W. Stearns, J. H. Martin.

Treasurer.—F. B. Martin.

Clerk.—E. C. Farnum.

Collector.—Wm. H. Farnum.

School Committee.—

{	Chas. A. Mixer.
	John R. Howe.
	A. E. Stearns.

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## RUMFORD FALLS SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

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Methodist Episcopal Church, D. F. Faulkner, Pastor,

Universalist Church, T. B. Payne, Pastor.

Roman Catholic Church, N. J. Horan, Pastor.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. E. N. Carver, Secretary.

Mr. Zircon Lodge, No. 376, I. O. G. T., R. H. Dearborn, Secretary.

Penacook Lodge, No. 130, I. O. O. F., Laforest F. Smith, Secretary.

Amherscogin Court, No. 1746, I. O. F., Stanley Bisbee, Secretary.

Metalluc Lodge, No. 99, K. of P., John H. Longley, K. of R. and S.

Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30, F. & A. M., H. M. Colby, Secretary (Center).

Joseph E. Colby Post, No. 41, G. A. R., H. M. Colby, Adj. (Center).

Henry O. Eaton Camp, No. 56, S. of V., H. M. Colby, Serg't. (Center).

Woman's Relief Corps, No. 54, Hattie C. Thomas, Secretary (Center).

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## RUMFORD FALLS BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

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Presidential Postoffice, J. H. McKeeman, Postmaster.

Western Union Telegraph Co., John E. Moore, Agent.

American Express Co., Stanley Bisbee, Agent.

Oxford Central Telephone Co., office, Bridgham & Fernald's.

Portland & Rumford Falls Railway, John E. Moore, Station Agent.

Andover Stage Line, George Tuttle, Proprietor.

Byron Stage Line, S. D. Richards, Proprietor.

Rumford Falls Loan & Building Association, Stanley Bisbee, Secretary.

Oxford County Loan & Building Association, Ira Parlin, Secretary.

Rumford Falls Publishing Co., Printers, E. N. Carver, Manager.

Rumford Falls Trust Co., Elisha Pratt, Treasurer.

Rumford Falls Board of Trade, E. N. Carver, Secretary.

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RUMFORD FALLS:  
TIMES BOOK AND JOB PRINT.  
1895.

# Town Officers.

E. C. FARNUM,	-	-	-	<i>Clerk.</i>
JAMES S. MORSE,	-	-	-	} <i>Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.</i>
G. W. STEARNS,	-	-	-	
JERRY H. MARTIN,	-	-	-	
F. B. MARTIN,	-	-	-	<i>Treasurer</i>
A. E. STEARNS,	-	-	-	} <i>School Committee.</i>
JOHN R. HOWE,	-	-	-	
C. A. MIXER,	-	-	-	
W. H. FARNUM,	-	-	-	<i>Collector of Taxes.</i>



# Selectmen's Report.

## VALUATION.

Amount of resident real estate,	\$468,560
resident personal estate,	113,234
non-resident real estate,	98,225
non-resident personal estate,	3,575
Total Valuation,	—————\$683,594

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## APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

State tax,	\$1,427 14
County tax,	529 00
Poor,	800 00
Town charges,	800 00
Discount on taxes,	500 00
Roads and bridges,	2,200 00
Schools,	1,500 00
School books and repairs on schoolhouses,	500 00
Town debt and interest,	1,000 00
Free high school,	500 00
Fractional overlay,	194 25
Valuation of school houses and property,	3,495 00
Total amount assessed,	—————\$13,445 39

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Number of polls, 593. Tax on polls, \$2.50.

Rate per cent of taxation, .017½ per cent.

Amount of property tax,	\$11,962 89
Amount of poll tax,	1,482 50
Total tax,	—————\$13,445 39

## TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

DR.

Salary of S. P. Abbott and wife,	\$150 00
Insurance on buildings from May 3, 1894 to May 3, 1897,	30 00
A. P. Hall, oxen for town farm,	85 00
A. Q. Coolidge, for use of harness,	1 50
J. H. Martin, seed corn,	50
James S. Morse, superphosphate,	6 20
grass seed,	1 93
4 barrels flour,	15 70
grain,	8 70
A. J. Knight, one pig,	4 25
Y. A. Thurston, use of horse,	5 00
C. R. Abbott, shoat,	10 00
J. F. Keith, blacksmithing,	1 45
repairing chairs,	85
killing hogs, etc.,	1 25
bed ticking,	1 87
J. H. and F. B. Martin, 2 shoats,	9 00
F. O. Walker, hardware,	3 21
T. H. Burgess, groceries,	27 64
Baker & Gagnon, groceries,	8 00
Cash paid out by S. P. Abbott,	1 61
Total debit,	373 66
Total credit,	328 43
Balance against town,	\$ 45 23

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By one hide sold for cash,	\$ 1 38
produce " " "	2 82
calves " " "	27 50
heifer " " "	28 00
oxen " " "	130 00
cider apples " "	2 50



By pasturing,	2 00
cheese sold for cash,	6 30
cream sold,	49 27
eggs “	6 19
butter “	25 93
chickens “	3 71
potatoes “	4 50
milk sold for cash,	37 13
straw furnished Rumford Falls Paper Co., due,	1 20
	<hr/> \$328 43

### INVENTORY OF TOWN FARM PROPERTY.

2 oxen.	
5 cows.	
1 3-year-old.	
2 shoats.	
25 hens.	
16 tons of hay.	
1 ton of straw.	
100 bushels potatoes.	
6 “ beans.	
1/2 “ peas.	
300 pounds pork.	
50 “ lard.	
1 barrel flour.	
75 pounds fresh meat.	
10 “ butter.	
50 “ dried apple.	
2 gallons oil.	
10 bushels oats.	
10 “ corn on the ear.	
5000 shingles.	
2 barrels apples.	
2 gallons molasses.	
Town farm, stock and tools,	\$3,000 00



Board has been furnished on farm as follows:

Mrs. J. D. Paine, 24 weeks.  
 Ruth J. Paine, 24 weeks.  
 Cynthia M. Paine, 24 weeks.  
 Nora A. Paine, 24 weeks.  
 Alice Paine, 24 weeks.  
 Orrin A. Paine, 24 weeks.  
 Samuel Richardson, 17 weeks.  
 Walter Bubier, 10 days.  
 Tramps, 2 weeks.

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#### PAUPER EXPENSES OFF TOWN FARM.

Paid H. H. Tillitt, work on Mrs. Wyman's house,	\$ 1 95
J. H. Martin, cash paid for moving and care of Mrs. Wyman,	9 50
H. J. Binford, M. D., medical attendance of Mrs. Wyman,	38 50
Hall & Meader, supplies for Mrs. Wyman,	2 90
James S. Morse, wood for Mrs. Wyman,	5 79
Fred J. Rolfe, carrying Mrs. Wyman home,	1 00
B. B. Wyman, board Mrs. Wyman,	58 00
R. F. Power Co., rent for Mrs. Wyman,	9 18
Total paid out for Mrs. Wyman,	—————\$126 82

#### Expense of Paine family:

Paid town of Greenwood,	91 91
J. H. Martin, moving Paine family,	7 50
Mrs. Frank Martin, making clothes for Paine family,	2 75
Mrs. G. E. Grant, making clothes for Paine family,	3 33

Paid G. T. Thurston, trip to Greenwood, for Paine family,	3 75
F. S. Hodgdon, supplies for Paine family,	13 63
J. H. Martin, clothing for Paine family,	4 85
Total paid out for Paine family,	—————\$127 72

## Expense of Samuel Richardson :

Paid James S. Morse, carrying S. Richardson to town farm,	1 00
J. W. Stuart, medical attendance S. Richardson,	31 00
F. S. Hodgdon, clothing for S. Richardson,	1 75
Bridgham & Fernald, medicines for S. Richardson,	1 65
Total paid out for Samuel Richardson	————— \$35 40

Paid Insane Hospital, for board of Charles Smith,	\$136 53
P. P. Davis, telegraphing, and moving body of Charles Smith,	10 80
H. A. Stevens, use of hearse,	2 50
Total,	—————\$149 83

Board of Orrison Glines, 47 weeks,	\$94 00
Sund. pauper bills,	\$29 75
Geo. W. Curtis, care of Sadie Curtis,	20 00
expense of Murphy boy,	12 45
L. J. Hillman, coffin and funeral expenses of Mrs. Niles,	22 75
Hall & Meader for A. B. Gordon's family,	4 13
F. B. Young's family,	3 24
Danforth & Morse for F. B. Young's family,	4 49
Hall & Meader for Geo. Thurlow,	2 81
Total,	—————\$69 87



Paid F. S. Hodgdon for supplies for Mell Rowe's family,	70 93
J. H. Martin, cash to carry Mell Rowe's child to hospital,	15 00
W. W. Abbott for milk for Mell Rowe's family,	11 55
J. W. Stuart, M. D., medical attendance for Mell Rowe,	6 00
Total paid out for Mell Rowe,	<u>\$103 48</u>
Total,	\$736 87

Due from State on Orrison Glines,	\$140 00
town of Oxford on account of F. B. Young,	7 73
town of Raymond on account of Geo. Thurlow,	2 81
town of Newry on account of Mell Rowe,	103 48
Total,	<u>\$254 02</u>

Total bills off farm,	\$736 87
Due from State and towns,	254 02
Actual cost of support of poor off farm,	<u>\$482 85</u>
Expense of farm above income,	45 23
Total pauper expense,	\$528 08

Paid burial expenses of Dorrington Wyman,	\$33 00
Received from State for burial expenses of Dorrington Wyman,	\$33 00

# HIGHWAY BILLS PAID FROM FEBRUARY 1 TO MAY 1, 1894.

Hosea House, for labor on highway,			\$ 8 70
C. F. Abbott,	"	"	8 11
V. F. Abbott,	"	"	6 61
A. J. Colcord,	"	"	6 45
H. T. Farrar,	"	"	11 03
F. A. Elliott,	"	"	28 68
C. M. Elliott,	"	"	7 75
M. P. Farrar,	"	"	6 25
S. S. Blodgett,	"	"	5 55
S. P. Howe,	"	"	17 50
C. H. Abbott,	"	"	1 95
Joe Coutier,	"	"	5 60
Joe Fortier,	"	"	13 10
Ira Brown,	"	"	3 80
J. H. and F. B.			
Martin,	"	"	18 50
A. P. Hall,	"	"	2 25
John Howe,	"	"	25 06
F. M. Stevens,	"	"	16 40
W. H. Thurston,	"	"	11 06
B. B. Wyman,	"	"	9 70
C. B. Abbott,	"	"	1 05
A. B. Hoyt,	"	"	1 80
Lewis Glover, labor on highway,			
winter '92-'93,			2 44
Joe Fariner,	"	"	5 60
B. K. Farnum,	"	"	2 39
E. E. Bennett,	"	"	60
W. R. Swain,	"	"	2 80
W. S. Richardson,	"	"	9 60
A. J. Marble,	"	"	5 90
W. W. Kimball,	"	"	6 45



John Thompson, for hauling rocks to Concord River,	63 50
C. F. Porter, for labor on high- way in 1892,	1 50
A. J. Colcord, for labor on highway,	5 27
F. M. Thurston, " " "	8 10
Spencer Abbott, " " "	2 50
F. P. Putnam, " " "	24 33
W. J. Kimball, " " "	2 99
James S. Morse, " " "	14 95
Frank Martin, " " "	34 00
Alton Dolloff, " " "	2 70
D. F. Roberts, " " "	4 50
F. M. Thurston, " " "	8 42
C. E. Kenerson, " " "	2 02
John W. Thompson, " " "	27 66
U. G. Woods, " " "	12 70
Wm. M. Blanchard, " " "	14 47
J. L. Thomas, " " "	10 22
R. E. Knight, " " "	1 00
S. L. Moody, " " "	13 70
E. B. Abbott, " " "	9 65
Rumford Falls Power Co., for work on Falls Hill road, in 1893,	6 30
Geo. Blanchard, for work on highway,	10 23
W. Pettengill, " " "	14 75
G. T. Thurston, " " "	21 96
William Coulombe, labor on highway,	19 20
Aben Robinson, " " "	6 75
Thomas Blake, " " "	3 00
John Pero, " " "	15 00
A. Q. Coolidge, " " "	5 25
C. F. Abbott, " " "	27 15
Wirt Colby, " " "	23 05
W. A. Kenerson, " " "	1 07

C. L. Howard,	labor on highway,	9 00
W. J. Coburn,	" " 1892,	3 00
R. L. Glines,	" "	10 72
J. H. Estes,	" "	43 35
C. P. Thomas,	" "	6 13
Fred A. Porter,	moving bridge,	3 25
C. H. Wheeler,	labor on highway,	5 55
William H. Porter,	" "	5 55
Chas. E. Johnson,	" "	15 70
Chas. F. Goodwin,	" "	4 20
Chas. Adams,	" "	3 59
D. K. Elliott,	" "	9 77
W. F. Stevens,	" "	14 70
		—————\$805 98

Money expended for labor and material for roads and bridges from May 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895, by C. F. Abbott, Road Agent in Section 1, comprising all roads east of guide-board near B. P. Putnam's, and East Rumford ferry, and all roads south and east of Isthmus schoolhouse, so called.

F. C. Richards,	plank for bridges,	\$17 50
W. S. Richardson,	48 ft. plank,	72
W. V. Lander,	dynamite,	7 55
C. L. Howard,	hemlock for stringers,	1 00
F. O. Walker,	hardware,	7 12
S. H. Rodgers & Son,	drain pipe,	2 76
William Toupin,	labor on highway,	4 50
W. S. Richardson,	" "	25 65
Wm. Powers,	" "	1 75
Jesse Germach,	" "	3 00
Geo. Blanchard,	" "	33 33
C. D. Lord,	" "	2 00
B. B. Wyman,	" "	35 25
E. Kerr,	" "	84 05
C. F. Abbott,	" "	45 95



F. Violette,	labor on highway,	2	70
Charles Count,	" "	3	00
H. H. Tibbitts,	" "	8	40
W. S. Guiliford,	" "	4	05
Joseph Blanchard,	" "	4	72
James S. Morse,	" "	16	96
Edward Holland,	" "	1	87
William H. Porter,	" "	2	40
C. W. Porter,	" "	1	54
R. F. Lumber Co.,	lumber for bridges,	9	36
D. F. Roberts,	labor on highway,	4	50
Joseph Fuller,	" "	5	00
J. W. Buzzell,	" "	25	00
James McGregor,	" "	17	50
Ed Fuller,	" "	10	50
P. Poquett,	" "	16	50
J. E. Stephens,	" "	4	50
C. H. Graham,	" "	6	00
M. J. Babb,	" "	4	20
W. M. Blanchard,	" "	6	00
F. P. Putnam,	" "	4	37
L. L. Glover,	" "	3	00
J. L. Thomas,	lumber for stringers for bridge,	3	00
			—————\$437 20

Money expended for labor and material for roads and bridges, from May 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895, by Chas. H. Graham, Road Agent in Section 2, comprising all roads south of Androscoggin River, beginning at Peru line and extending to Bethel line, also from East Rumford to Rumford Point.

S. V. Abbott,	plank for bridges,	14	00
J. H. and F. B. Martin,	labor on highway,	6	75
Fred V. Abbott,	" "	12	60
F. H. Bartlett,	" "		75

W. F. Stevens,	labor on highway,	15 00
C. H. Graham,	“ “	90 40
S. L. Moody,	“ “	5 00
W. W. Virgin,	“ “	1 50
W. F. Stevens,	“ “	4 50
J. C. Abbott,	“ “	75
J. F. Keith, repairing,		4 00
—— Walker, labor on highway,		1 00
E. L. Bartlett, “	“	9 45
Chas. Abbott, “	“	3 00
T. H. Burgess, “	“	1 25
Ferryage		2 00
Jesse Bishop, labor on highway,		3 55
A. Curtis, “	“	9 75
F. A. Elliott, “	“	4 50
Mark Farrar, “	“	12 00
A. and E. Dolloff, “	“	4 05
Frank Goodwin, “	“	5 00
Chas. Rowe, “	“	75
F. H. Bartlett, “	“	72
Nelson Austin, “	“	6 00
Henry Thurston, “	“	5 70
Fred V. Abbott, “	“	2 00
L. Hemingway, “	“	25
Frank Thurston, “	“	1 50
John Harper, “	“	4 50
Wm. Martin, “	“	25
Geo. Elliott, “	“	50
P. Delano, “	“	3 00
W. Stevens, “	“	50
A. A. Martin, “	“	1 50
D. K. Elliott, “	“	2 75
P. C. Thomas, “	“	13 00
Rand & Tibbetts, lumber for bridges,		39 25
		—————\$292 97



Money expended for labor and material for roads and bridges from May 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895, by Wirt Colby, Road Agent in Section 3, comprising all town roads not included in Sections 1 and 2.

Wirt Colby, labor on highway,	\$145	18
S. V. Abbott, plank for bridges,	29	98
N. F. Hoyt, labor on highway,	7	75
F. S. Hodgdon,		50
F. H. Goddard, labor on highway,	14	20
E. C. Farnum, " "		25
G. A. Virgin, lumber,	17	18
Walter Abbott, labor on highway,	3	25
Albert Silver,		50
Geo. H. Howe, labor on highway,	3	50
C. E. Kenerson, " "	1	13
Chas. G. Farnum, " "	2	25
A. B. Hoyt, " "	3	75
V. D. Kimball, " "	2	25
W. C. Akley, " "	4	75
D. G. Glines, " "	2	50
T. W. Penley, " "		25
H. M. Colby, " "	12	00
B. S. Newton, " "	1	50
C. H. Graham, " "	19	50
R. E. Martin, " "	3	00
Henry Banker, " "	3	00
A. J. Colcord, " "	9	50
J. H. and F. B. Martin, labor on highway,	17	25
E. A. Richardson, " "	1	00
R. F. Dillingham, " "	2	00
U. G. Woods, " "		75
W. R. Swain, " "	4	00
E. E. Brailey, " "	1	25
P. O. Howard, " "	1	25
Harry G. Elliott, " "	1	25



N. A. Austin,	labor on highway,	6 00
S. P. Howe,	" "	3 00
John Howe,	" "	2 25
E. A. Dolloff,	" "	9 45
Wirt Colby,	" "	1 54
F. O. Walker, 2 shovels,		1 50
		<hr/> \$340 16

Cost Town's proportional part of grading, railing and bridge on road at South Rumford, built by R. F. Power Co., on account of flowage, \$131 17

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### ORDERS DRAWN FOR MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

G. T. Thurston, selectman,	\$ 77 25
James S. Morse, selectman,	44 25
F. A. Porter, selectman,	45 00
F. B. Martin, treasurer,	75 00
E. C. Farnum, clerk,	10 00
Henry Abbott, collector of 1892,	100 00
John R. Howe, supervisor,	55 00
James S. Morse, expenses on road machine,	1 87
Geo. W. Stearns, cash paid out for expenses,	8 00
E. N. Carver, printing bonds,	19 25
E. N. Carver, printing town report,	23 00
E. N. Carver, printing,	18 59
Thomas B. Mosher, book and stationery,	22 10
J. H. Stuart & Co., atlas,	10 00
A. E. Bartlett, dog constable,	3 15
Waldo Pettengill, error in tax, 1893,	3 76
Wilson Thomas, ballot clerk, 2 days, 1892-94,	3 00
G. A. R. Post, amount appropriated by town,	20 00
William H. Farnum, ballot clerk 1892-93,	3 00



Seth P. Abbott, part payment on salary '93,	28 00
F. B. Martin, error in Sarah Lovejoy's tax,	1 36
John H. Howe, salary as road committee, 1892-93	23 00
G. T. Thurston, work at Falls, March 3, on check-list,	1 75
E. C. Farnum, records of deaths and births, 1893-94	25 40
William H. Farnum, part payment as col- lector of 1893 tax,	43 65
F. B. Martin, express on bonds, and seals for same,	1 25
F. B. Martin, error in non-resident tax of 1893,	9 45
Geo. D. Bisbee, legal advice, 1894,	10 00
James S. Morse, cash paid out, expenses,	6 20
J. H. Martin, " " "	16 50
J. W. Stuart, birth and death certificates,	3 75
Cash paid for watering-tubs for 1892-93-94,	29 50
R. F. Power Co., surveying road over Vir- gin Hill,	3 00
S. P. Abbott, part payment on salary of 1894,	50 00
J. V. Silver, 213 cedar posts,	23 25
F. B. Martin, hauling posts, etc.,	9 74
W. V. Lander, steel for drills,	8 40
American Road Machine Co., sections for machine,	8 00
R. F. Lumber Co., lumber for bridge and railing at Rumford Falls,	84 35
Land damage paid G. F. Elliott,	5 00
	<hr/> \$933 77
Expended by order of Board of Health :	
J. W. Stuart, M. D., for vaccinating,	\$157 20

## STATE PENSIONS.

Paid Mrs. Wyman,	\$96 00
Mrs. Taylor,	24 00
Mrs. Hutchinson,	36 00
John P. Bennett,	24 00
C. B. Ryerson,	48 00
	—————\$228 00
Due from State,	228 00

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EXPENSES OF BUILDING AND FURNISHING  
LOCKUP.

White & Parlin, for building as per contract,	\$400 42
James S. Morse, puff and pails,	2 20
James S. Morse, wood for lockup,	4 50
Fred Abbott, labor and material for bunks,	9 26
Insurance,	5 00
	—————\$421 38
Cr. by rent of room over lockup,	4 00

We used the room over the lock-up as a school room for the summer term of school taught by Miss Susie Graham.

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## CASH PAID OUT FOR SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

J. L. Thomas,	\$2 50
Due from State,	\$2 50



## SCHOOL ACCOUNT ORDERS DRAWN.

School orders paid to May 1, 1894,	\$ 971 05
School orders paid since May 1, 1894 :	
For teaching and janitors' bills,	2,056 48
books,	486 20
repairs,	225 87
wood and coal,	219 02
	—————\$2,987 57

## COST OF SCHOOL HOUSE AT FALLS.

John Summers, as per contract and extra work,	\$6,261 18
C. W. Talcott, plumbing,	740 00
F. O. Walker, furnace,	600 00
V. S. F. Co., desks,	461 43
C. M. Coombs, plans,	258 85
C. A. Mixer, inspecting, etc.,	154 39
Field & Calhoun, desks and chairs,	73 25
Painting blackboard and slating,	52 50
Freight and cartage,	61 52
Emery, Waterhouse & Co., gong,	4 00
Total,	—————\$8,667 12

## SCHOOL HOUSES INSURED.

School house at Falls, \$6,000 for 3 years,	\$150 00
“ Dist. No. 6, \$400 for 5 years,	15 00
“ East Rumford, No. 9, \$200 for 1 year,	2 50

The town has assumed the debt of School District No. 10. We have assessed the same on said district, and the treasurer has paid all debts against said District.

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS FOR 1894.

James S. Morse,	\$ 82 00
G. W. Stearns,	62 25
Jerry H. Martin,	77 50
Wm. H. Farnum, collector,	190 00
F. B. Martin, treasurer,	100 00
E. C. Farnum, clerk,	10 00
John R. Howe, supervisor,	125 00
	—————\$646 75



# Treasurer's Account.

Feb. 14, 1895.

DR.

To cash from preceeding year,	\$ 777 73
State, for pensions,	156 00
R. R. and Telegraph tax, 1893,	86 96
support of paupers,	11 50
dog licenses refunded, 1893,	105 39
school fund and mill tax, 1894,	1,247 39
burial expenses of D. Wyman,	33 00
G. T. Thurston, beef sold off town farm,	5 85
F. A. Porter, bottles sold,	7 43
J. H. Martin, cowhide sold off town farm,	1 38
calves sold off town farm,	27 50
heifer sold off town farm,	28 00
oxen sold off town farm,	130 00
cider apples sold off town farm,	2 50
pasturing sold off town farm,	2 00
cheese sold off town farm,	6 30
eggs sold off town farm,	1 50
butter sold off town farm,	18 96
chickens sold off town farm,	3 71
milk sold off town farm,	38 10
J. W. Wardwell, license pool room,	10 00
ball alley,	10 00
A. E. Morrison, fine from peddlars,	6 00
use of room over lockup,	4 00
Eula Kimball, tuition to free high school,	4 00
E. C. Farnum, license on dogs,	117 00
J. S. Morse, iron sold,	6 41
straw sold off town farm,	2 24
interest on school fund note,	175 80
J. S. Morse, license from peddlers,	6 00
cream sold off town farm,	49 27

To town of Winn, expenses of Felix Smart,	28 00
town of Newry, support of Rowe family,	4 75
Henry Abbott, collector for 1892,	176 21
notes given at 5 per cent,	4,018 00
non-resident tax returned by Wm. H. Farnum,	
1893,	286 10
bonds sold,	6,981 33
Wm. H. Farnum, collector, 1893,	3,202 90
Wm. H. Farnum, collector, 1894,	8,504 65
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	\$26,283 86

Feb. 15, 1895.

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By paying interest on school fund note,	\$175 80
Abigail Newton, note and interest,	46 70
interest on C. H. Kimball note,	9 00
Ann M. Newton, on note,	5 00
State, license on dogs,	117 00
E. Glover, bounty on bear,	5 00
pensions,	228 00
interest on town bonds, (first issue),	520 00
interest on town bonds, (second issue),	140 00
interest on town notes,	163 00
town notes and interest on same,	447 11
notes and interest for school dist. No. 10,	934 16
County tax for 1894,	529 00
State tax for 1894,	1,427 14
town orders,	20,834 57
By cash balance in treasury,	702 38
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	\$26,283 86

F. B. MARTIN,

Treasurer of Rumford.



This certifies we, the undersigned, have carefully examined the above account and found it correct, and the amount in the treasurer's hands, seven hundred and two dollars and thirty eight cents (\$702.38).

JAMES S. MORSE,	}	Selectmen
G. W. STEARNS,		of
JERRY H. MARTIN,		Rumford.

February 15, 1895.

## FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN.

## LIABILITIES.

Town notes at 6 per cent,	\$	100	00
Town notes at 5 per cent,		8,578	00
Town notes at 4 per cent,		225	00
Town bonds at 4 per cent, <i>much</i>		20,000	00
Int. due on Town bonds, <del>Nov. 1</del> , 1895,		260	00
Int. due on Town notes,		290	00
Trustees of School Fund, at 6 per cent,		2,930	00
Salary of S. P. Abbott and wife,		100	00
Due William H. Farnum, collector of 1893-94,		346	35
Due for breaking roads to date,		375	00
Due J. R. Howe, for express on books,		12	75
Rebate, collector's book for 1894,		545	57
Due town officers,		646	75
Total,		—————	\$34,409 42
			9,644 71
			—————
			\$24,764 71

## RESOURCES

Cash in Treasurer's hands,	\$	702	38
Due from W. H. Farnum, collector 1893,		294	00
“ “ “ 1894,		4,940	74
State, on account of Orrison Glines,		140	00
Town of Roxbury, on road case,		12	67
State Pensions,		228	00
Town of Newry, on account of poor,		103	48
State, bounty on bear,		5	00
Town of Raymond, on ac- count of poor,		2	81
Town of Oxford, on account of poor,		7	73



Due from State, for sheep killed by dogs,	2 50
Rumford Falls Paper Co., for	
straw,	1 20
Town farm and stock,	3,000 00
Due from State for railroad and tele-	
graph tax,	11 20
Drills,	8 00
Road tools,	10 00
Wire rope,	10 00
Due from State for Free High School,	165 00
Total,	—————\$9,644 71

## UNAVAILABLE RESOURCES.

School property,	\$10,000 00
Lockup and fixtures,	421 38
Road machine,	150 00
Scraper for sidewalks,	10 00
	—————
	\$10,581 38

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

For schools,	\$2,700 00
interest and debt,	3,000 00
support of poor,	1,000 00
current expenses,	1,200 00
discount on taxes,	1,000 00
cash on highway,	4,000 00
school books,	750 00
repairs,	400 00
Free High School,	500 00

We would recommend that the town elect a Road Commissioner to expend whatever money may be raised by the town for roads and bridges, and that he give a suitable bond to the town for the faithful performance of his duties, also that he be required to present his account to the Selectmen to be audited, and make a full report, to be printed with the town report.

JAMES S. MORSE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
G. W. STEARNS,	
JERRY H. MARTIN.	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rumford.</i>



# FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

## OF THE

# Superintending School Committee.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF RUMFORD:

Your Committee organized as follows:

A. E. STEARNS,	Term expiring 1895.
JOHN R. HOWE,	1896.
CHAS. A. MIXER,	1897.

and for the year as follows:

Chairman,	A. E. STEARNS.
Supervisor and Secretary,	JOHN R. HOWE.
Studies and Text Books,	CHAS. A. MIXER.

The past twelve months have been busy ones. In reviewing them we feel that they have been also important ones. Because of the several notable changes and additions, and the great progress made by our public schools during the past year, we believe it is marked as the beginning of a new and better era here for popular education. Of the numerous causes of the greater activity, interest and improvement that distinguishes this from all previous years, and make it a new starting point, the principal ones are: town supervision, graded schools and course of study, an approved modern school building, a high school, and a teacher's association. None of these are new except here. Each has been tried elsewhere and by long use proven good. Such tested and approved methods and aids, so successfully adopted, promises an increasingly active growth and an early attainment of an advanced position for the educational and intellectual life of Rumford.

The most important of the above agencies has been

### TOWN SUPERVISION.

This came to every town by State law. We hear that a few towns have not liked it. There never was a law that some did not dislike. Town supervision or even county supervision has long been the practice in other states; and the change was meant for good in this one. We believe it has been good; it certainly has in this town.



It has lifted the schools up to a higher plane and made each a part of something larger. It has done away with a large number of light responsibilities that were given insufficient attention, and has created a smaller number of larger interests that will justify and receive the better service required. The benefits will be the same economy and efficiency of management and the greater strength that are gained by every combination and concentration.

This year the schools of Rumford have been associated for mutual benefit. They have been managed comprehensively and as a unit. Each one as part of the whole system has helped and been helped by all the others; the weakest receiving the most. Thus in the last preceeding year the amounts apportioned to the several districts furnished schools varying from 16 to 30 weeks. This year every school has had 24 weeks. Also as prompted by the satisfactory experience of other towns, and as contemplated and provided by the new law, the following temporary changes or experiments were made. District No. 11 was combined with No. 13, and the children of D. F. and J. P. Roberts were conveyed to No. 13. And during the Spring and Fall terms the pupils of District No. 2 were conveyed to No. 1. In each case the results were a little less cost and a much better school. The children of L. F. Swain have been provided for as usual in Roxbury.

#### GRADING AND STUDIES.

As the law requires, besides equal terms, uniform instruction in all the schools, and as the town had voted to establish a free high school, and as the large number of pupils at Rumford Falls needed a graded school, it was decided that the time had come for grading all the schools and arranging a course of study. This was done, commencing with our second term, but what is generally, elsewhere, the beginning of the school year, viz: In the Fall. As was expected, a graded, progressive, uniform course did not fit, in many cases, with the previous go-as-you-please custom and its products. It is always the same, whenever and wherever method and order begin. Especially in the smaller schools, for this first year, adjustments had to be made according to the irregular conditions found. This grading has been hard, the hardest labor of the year, and is not fully appreciated, but it had to be done some time, and would have been harder next year. It was undertaken as a duty that might not be put aside. The benefits are appearing, but are not yet conspicuous. Neither is the task finished; it could not be in one year. This work of the committee needs no further explanation, for grading and a course of study means classification, organization and system; they mean a definite aim and a plan for accomplishing it; they mean more and better results for the same effort and expenditure. The



graded form is the anticipated and the final form of every school which becomes necessary when it grows large, and is essential to its greatest efficiency. Also, by this act of the committee, our schools are given a standing elsewhere, and are placed on the list of the largest and best.

The course of study prepared differs in some respects from every other one. It was made for and belongs to Rumford. We believe there is no better one in use anywhere. With it our schools will fit its pupils for entrance to any high school or academy. Faithfully completed it will make intelligent and good citizens, prepared for better than the average duties and enjoyments of life. To the ambitious and the industrious ones will be revealed the ways to higher knowledge and usefulness.

The first element to be settled was the time, which was placed at eight years. A few schools have seven; many require nine. After due consideration, eight years was decided to be the best for our schools. Then, during the preparation of the course, there was held constantly in mind the fact that this is a rural community with a mixed population; also, the regretted fact that the majority of our youths do not, or can not, enter the high school, or even continue through the common schools, so that for public education the first years are the most important. Therefore, essential studies are given continuously the first place throughout the course; then the others according to their value for practical use and training.

The course has been published in full, so only an outline will be given here, sufficient for present reference. Each grade is a year's study; the first grade is the first year at school.

First and Second Grades.—Reading, spelling, language, writing, numbers, observation lessons, physiology and hygiene, music, drawing, manners and morals.

Third and Fourth Grades.—Reading, spelling, language and composition, writing, numbers, observation lessons, geography, physiology and hygiene, music, drawing, manners and morals.

Fifth Grade.—Reading, spelling, language and composition, writing, arithmetic, geography, elementary science, United States history, music, drawing, manners and morals.

Sixth Grade.—Reading, spelling, language and composition, writing, arithmetic, geography, modern history and travel, elementary science, music, drawing, manners and morals.

Seventh Grade.—Reading, spelling, grammar, composition, writing, arithmetic, physical geography, physiology and hygiene, general history, music, drawing, manners and morals.



Eighth Grade.—Reading, spelling, grammar, composition, writing elementary algebra, physical geography, general history, agriculture, book-keeping, music, drawing, manners and morals.

The first requisite is a knowledge of the one language of our own country. To understand the mother tongue; to express in it, easily and correctly, our experiences and thoughts, is necessary before anything else; and the ability to do these is an exact measure of the possibility in any other field of activity. Therefore, in this course, more than half of the time is, by reading, spelling, grammar, composition and writing, devoted to the study and use of the English language.

Arithmetic and penmanship are each given a large share of time in every grade, according to their value and use in everyday life. Believing that some acquaintance with algebra is worth more than higher arithmetic, elementary algebra is introduced in the eighth grade, and the usual higher arithmetic is taken to the high school course. In penmanship the pupil is required to write his own name at the end of the first year.

Lessons on our bodies; how we live; the laws of health, and the nature and evil effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants and narcotics, are given constantly as their importance demands.

It was desired to have music and drawing taught, but the teachers were not prepared, and the appropriation would not permit getting the necessary books. No public school course is complete without these; nor is even an elementary education, until the possessor is able to read and sing the music of a song as well as the words. And the same applies to drawing. Words alone cannot make clear what we many times want to convey or record concerning the shapes or relations of objects. Everyone should be able to use the pencil in free-hand drawing. We hope means may be provided soon for teaching these.

More attention than usual has been given to manners and morals. History teaches plainly that intellectual power alone will not preserve a nation or lift up society. Knowledge is a power for evil unless directed toward good. The final aim of any school should be good character. To this end, by constant precept, exhortation and example, they shall be taught the virtues, high ideals, good habits, noble sentiments, kind acts, self-sacrifice, temperance, estimable qualities of mind, regard for others, and all characteristics that make lives respected, useful and happy.

Also, love of one's own country should be taught in a public school. This is being done by observance of national days, knowledge of our institutions and history, love for the flag, and the lives of great American citizens. Especially at the Rumford Falls school, patriotism is active. The flag with which their new schoolhouse was dedicated has



waved over it every day of school since, and before these lines are read the same pupils will have celebrated Washington's birthday and hung his portrait in every room.

The study of United States history begins in the Fifth Grade. This is earlier than any school known of, but it is presented according to their years, and the interest with which they take hold of it shows it is understood and enjoyed; and it certainly cannot be too early for the boy who may not get any schooling after that year. General history follows that study, and then United States history is taken up again in the high school.

Love of Nature: a knowledge of and an interest in the wonderful and beautiful world around us is early inculcated by observation lessons in which the pupils are trained to use their own eyes and ears; to investigate and gain practical information for themselves. These lessons lead in the Fifth Grade to elementary science. This too is an experiment, but its success is shown in the eagerness with which the children prepare themselves and inquire into the interesting facts and phenomena that continually surround us and that help us in life if we know them.

Geography is commenced in the Third Grade. It has been said that local geography is being neglected in schools, but it is not said of Rumford schools, for commencing with the school room, then the yard, the roads, the brooks, the village, the town, etc., local geography occupies the first two years. If the pupil gets no more he has that which he can use, and will be worth the most to him. Then follow two years of general geography. Then two years of physical geography, which is a new study in the Rumford schools, but is practical and important to a full and right idea of the earth.

In the Eighth Grade agriculture and book-keeping are taught, valuable aids for actual and practical life.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

In a recent report on education in this State are these words: "We demand that all of our free high schools shall be high schools in something more than name. We insist that they shall have a course of study approved by competent authority, and that admission to them shall be based on reasonable examinations, and that the State shall assist in the support of such schools as maintain a given standard of excellence." An examination of the course on the next page will show it to be equal to the course of any high school or academy in Maine. Except for a college training our young men and women need no longer leave Rumford. In no other act has the town so plainly shown its



interest in liberal education as by the establishment of this High School. It needs only one other kind of support, viz: a larger attendance of our boys and girls. The entering class has been 15, but these are not enough from a population of our numbers. Help your High School more, friends, by increasing the attendance. Use it more. Mr. G. W. Stearns, principal, having had but one class, has taught, also, the highest grade of the common schools during the year.

RUMFORD HIGH SCHOOL.				
COURSE OF STUDIES.				
Subject	1st Year	2nd Year	3d Year	4th Year
English	Composition, Elocution, Rhetoric,			
	American Literature,	English Literature,		Grammar.
				Grk. & Lat. Lit., Mythology or Art.
History	Current Events,			
	United States History, Civil Government.	England, France.		Greece, Rome.
Latin	Grammar and Composition.			
	Beginner's Book.	Cæsar.	Virgil.	Cicero.
Mathematics	Arithmetic	Algebra.		Trigonometry.
	Physiology, Botany.	Physics, Botany.	Chemestry, Zoology.	Geology, Astronomy,
	Music, Drawing, Physical Culture, Morals, etc.			



## NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

The erection of a modern school building is a considerable element in the general progress of the schools this year. This is one of the many cases where "the best" costs no more than only "good enough." The six hours a day that the children spend in school have their value for study much increased by comfortable physical conditions and congenial surroundings. Seats and desks the right height and shape, light from the right direction, and plenty of pure, fresh air at the right temperature, in proportion as they affect the school hours, affect the whole life.

## TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Last but not least is the East Oxford Teachers' Association. Although with a field much wider than the town, it is reported in this connection because it was organized here by our own teachers. Their spirit is shown by their lead in this organization for mutual improvement in their profession. Our teachers have labored earnestly and faithfully during the year. As is the teacher, so is the school.

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

The committee was authorized last year to elect a Superintendent. No other one thing could do so much for our schools as professional supervision; but no reasonable way was found during the year to provide it. We ask a continuance of the permission, to be used if deemed advisable.

We ask permission to change the text books on reading, arithmetic, and grammar, provided some more suitable are selected and the change can be made without greater cost than continuing the present books.

The desire for longer terms is general and earnestly expressed. The estimate for next year is based on 30 weeks. We recommend that the same or more be granted.

In connection with the high school a library has been started, that through favor of friends far and near, is flourishing. It is destined to be a great help to the school. The comparative values of most of the institutions of learning may be gauged by the size and use of their libraries. Text books can give but a small part of what is desired; the library is indispensable. Our Governor Cleaves in his last message said: "On a former occasion attention was called to the great advantages that would be secured to the cause of education by the establishment of a free public library in every town in the State. There was some legislation at the last session in this direction; and several of the cities and towns have granted aid to library associations, with the free use of the library to the inhabitants."

Our State Superintendent writes: "A child that has been so trained that he knows what to read and how to read it has the elements of a



liberal education. No school does its duty by its pupils unless it does this work for them."

Believing ourselves that a small amount of money could not in any other way do so much good; that some used this way will increase the value of the school appropriation; we recommend an appropriation for supplementary reading.

#### STATISTICS AND EXPENDITURES.

For convenience in administration and record the district numbers have been retained, but the districts as heretofore do not exist. The statistics and expenditures for the year are as follows:

No. scholars, as enumerated April 1, 1894, 500.

Appropriated by town, for common schools,	\$1,500 00
Received from State, " " "	1,247 39
Interest on school fund,	175 80
Unexpended balance from last year,	31 59
Amount for expenditure for common schools,	—————\$2,954 78
Appropriated by town, free high school,	\$500 00
Received from tuition to high school,	4 00
Due from State for high school, to Mar. 1, 1895, (estimated)	165 00
	—————\$669 00

#### ATTENDANCE AND BILLS AUDITED.

##### No. 1.

No. scholars as enumerated, 22.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.
No. registered,	17	16	22
Average attendance,	15	15	17
Retha Glover, teaching,			\$34 00
Nettie Stevens, teaching,			32 00
Blanche Ripley, teaching,			52 00
Myra Elliott, cleaning school house,			2 00
E. F. Elliott, wood,			10 00
supplies,			58
			—————\$130 58

##### No. 2.

No. scholars as enumerated, 13.

	WINTER.
No. registered,	9
Average attendance,	7
Frank Delano, conveying scholars to Dist. No. 1,	\$48 00
Alice Barker, teaching,	40 50
	—————\$88 50



## No. 3.

No. scholars as enumerated, 23.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	17	16	23	
Average attendance,	13	13	20	
Josephine Graham, teaching,				\$52 00
“ “ “				52 00
“ “ “				56 00
Carl Thurston, janitor,				2 00
Hiram Swain, wood,				4 00
Mr. Keith, repairs,				1 00
G. F. Elliott, repairs,				2 75
G. F. Elliott, cleaning school house,				2 00
supplies,				45
				<hr/> \$172 20

## No. 4.

No. scholars as enumerated, 26.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	13	12	10	
Average attendance,	12	10	9	
Alice Putnam, teaching,				\$32 00
“ “ “				36 00
“ “ “				36 00
F. P. Putnam, wood,				8 50
F. P. Putnam, cleaning school house,				2 00
				<hr/> \$114 50

## No. 5.

No. scholars as enumerated, 19.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	12	10	14	
Average attendance,	11	9	13	
Pearl Elliott, teaching,				\$40 00
“ “ “				40 00
P. O. Howard, wood,				5 50
P. O. Howard, cleaning school house,				2 00
Foster & Dolley, windows for school house,				5 85
J. H. Howe, fitting windows for school house,				2 00
Susie Putnam, teaching,				64 00
Charlie Howard, janitor,				2 00
supplies,				35
				<hr/> \$161 70



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No. 6.

No. scholars as enumerated, 17.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	15	14	9	
Average attendance,	14	13	8	
Annie Martin, teaching,				\$40 00
" " "				44 00
" " "				48 00
A. C. Segar, wood,				10 00
J. V. Silver, cleaning, janitor and repairs,				4 50
supplies,				30
				————\$146 80

No. 7.

No. scholars as enumerated, 19.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	12	12	17	
Average attendance,	11	11	14	
Luna Abbott, teaching,				\$32 00
" " "				40 00
" " "				44 00
" " cleaning school house,				2 00
Forrest Ladd, wood,				10 50
supplies,				70
				————\$129 20

No. 8.

No. scholars as enumerated, 41.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	23	22	26	
Average attendance,	20	21	22	
Blanche Ripley, teaching,				\$52 00
Sue Thompson, teaching,				30 00
Katherine Thomas, teaching,				93 50
Wm. Farnum, boarding teacher,				12 00
Mrs. F. Goodwin, cleaning school house,				3 00
E. E. Bennett, repairs,				2 48
J. P. Bennett, janitor,				1 50
supplies,				1 41
				————\$195 89



## No. 9.

No. scholars as enumerated, 30.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	25	17	16	
Average attendance,	20	14	15	
Lucy Lufkin, teaching,				\$56 00
“ “ “				56 00
“ “ “				48 00
Fannie Abbott, wood,				10 00
“ “ cleaning school house,				2 00
“ “ repairs and labor,				15 15
Rumford Falls Lumber Co., shingles,				14 40
Eugene Lovejoy, janitor,				1 00
supplies,				30
				—————\$202 85

## No. 10.

No. scholars as enumerated, 222.

	NO. REGISTERED.	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	
Spring—Etta Howe, teacher,	15	13	
Fall—Vena Richards, teacher,	40	35	
Winter—Clara Elliott, teacher,	35	30	
Spring, )	43	33	
Fall, ) Susie Graham, teacher,	60	53	
Winter, )	60	58	
Spring, )	59	52	
Fall, ) Lena McCollister, teacher,	37	35	
Winter, )	33	30	
Fall, ) G. W. Stearns, teacher,	44	40	
Winter, )	35	34	
Etta Howe, teaching,			\$40 00
Vena Richards, teaching,			80 00
Clara Elliott, teaching, (estimated),			80 00
Susie Graham, teaching,			80 00
“ “ “			88 00
“ “ “ (estimated),			104 00
Lena McCollister, teaching,			104 00
“ “ “ (estimated),			96 00
F. A. Porter, boarding teacher,			24 00
A. E. Morrison, rent,			18 00
J. S. Morse, wood,			6 12
J. H. McKeeman, coal,			159 65
White & Parlin, repairs,			11 65
James Kerr, moving school house,			100 00
J. Cote, “ “ “			129 00
Fred Abbott, janitor,			110 75
supplies,			10 33
			—————\$1,237 50



## No. 12.

No. scholars as enumerated, 38.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	27	28	22	
Average attendance,	20	22	17	
Jennie Martin, teaching,				\$56 00
" " "				56 00
" " "				56 00
Wilder Kimball, wood,				6 75
John Bixby, janitor,				2 00
Mrs. Martin, cleaning school house,				2 00
repairs,				2 24
supplies,				1 02
				<hr/> \$182 01

## No. 13.

No. scholars as enumerated, 17.

	SPRING.	FALL.	WINTER.	
No. registered,	17	20	20	
Average attendance,	14	18	15	
Ethel Thurston, teaching,				\$36 00
" " "				40 00
" " "				40 00
Mr. Glover, repairs,				1 48
cleaning school house,				2 00
supplies,				15
				<hr/> \$119 63

D. F. Roberts, conveying scholars to Dist. No. 13,

40 00

No. scholars in Dist. No. 11, 4.

" " at Roberts', 4.

" " Swain's, 6.

## SUMMARY.

Amount for expenditure for common schools, \$2,954 78

## AMOUNT OF BILLS AUDITED AND DUE TO MARCH 1, 1895 :

Teachers of common schools,	\$2,237 00
For fuel,	230 52
Janitors,	120 75
Cleaning school houses,	21 00
Conveying scholars,	88 00
School Supplies,	15 69
Rent on school room,	18 00
Tuition to Roxbury,	23 70
	<hr/> \$2,754 66



Appropriated for books and repairs,	\$500 00
Bills audited for books,	\$478 14
repairs,	188 60
	————\$666 74
Amount available for high school,	\$669 00
G. W. Stearns, teacher of high school,	\$225 00
Due G. W. Stearns, teacher, to Mar. 1, '95, (estimated),	105 00
	————\$330 00

We thank all the friends for their confidence, counsel and support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. STEARNS,	} Superintending
JOHN R. HOWE,	
CHAS. A. MIXER,	
	School
	Committee.



## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

To WILLIAM H. FARNUM, Constable of Rumford, in the County of Oxford: Greeting:—

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

FIRST.—To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

SECOND.—To allow accounts.

THIRD.—To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

FOURTH.—To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, and the poor, and to pay town debt and interest, and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

FIFTH.—To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repair of roads and bridges and to direct how the same shall be expended.

SIXTH.—To see if the town will vote to allow a discount on all taxes that may be paid before a specified time, and to see what sums of money the town will vote to raise to defray the same.

SEVENTH.—To see if the town will authorize the town treasurer to borrow such sums of money as may be needed to defray all town charges.

EIGHTH.—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money sufficient for the building and repair of its school houses and for the purchase of school books.

NINTH.—To see if the town will vote to continue the Free High School as established and to see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of same.

TENTH.—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the proper observance of Memorial day to be expended under the direction of Joseph E. Colby Post, G. A. R.

ELEVENTH.—To see if the town will vote to accept the list of jurors as presented by the Municipal Officers.

TWELFTH.—To see if the town will authorize and direct the Superintending School Committee to change Greenleaf's Arithmetic and Algebra, Raub's Grammar and Davis' Readers and adopt and substitute therefor other more suitable text books if in their judgment they deem it advisable.

THIRTEENTH.—To see if the town will vote to accept the road as located by the selectmen over Virgin Hill upon the petition of H. H. Tebbetts and others. Also to see if the town will vote to accept the streets dedicated and built by the Rumford Falls Power Company.

FOURTEENTH.—To see if the town will vote to hold town meetings in the future at Rumford Falls.



FIFTEENTH.—To see if town will authorize the School Committee to elect a Supervisor of Schools.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town and hearing and deciding upon the applications of persons claiming to have their names entered upon said list, at room over Lockup at Rumford Falls, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, until two o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, March 2d, A. D. 1895, and also at the town house in said town, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 16th day of February, A. D. 1895.

JAMES S. MORSE,	}	Selectmen of Rumford.
G. W. STEARNS,		
JERRY H. MARTIN,		

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. FARNUM, Constable of Rumford.



