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ANNUAL REPORT



**TOWN OF
RUMFORD**

1909-10

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RUMFORD

FOR THE

Year Ending February 1, 1910

RUMFORD, MAINE:
RUMFORD PUBLISHING CO.
1910

44230

Town Officers, 1909.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

R. L. MELCHER . H. C. FRENCH
L. H. VEILLEUX

Clerk:

OLIVER A. PETTENGILL

Treasurer:

F. B. MARTIN

Collector:

JAMES A. McMENNAMIN

Auditor:

JAMES B. STEVENSON

School Committee:

L. D. ELLIOTT JOHN E. STEPHENS
E. J. RODERICK

Road Commissioners:

I. W. GREEN A. L. ABBOTT

Board of Health:

H. G. ELLIOTT L. O. LESIEUR, MD.
H. L. ELLIOTT

Selectmen's Report

February 1st, 1910

VALUATION

Real estate, resident,	\$1,629,155 00	
Personal Estate, resident,	279,745 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,908,900 00
Real estate, non-resident, \$	859,930 00	
Personal Estate, non- resident,	504,175 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,364,105 00
Total valuation,		<hr/>
		\$ 3,273,005 00

APPROPRIATED AND RAISED AT ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 1st, 1909.

State Tax,	\$ 10,642 49	
County Tax,	5,487 19	
	<hr/>	\$ 16,129 68
Common Schools,	\$ 8,500 00	
Text Books,	1,000 00	
School Supplies,	800 00	
Repairs on School Buildings	800 00	
School Superintendence	800 00	
School Insurance	400 00	
Free High School	2,500 00	
Miscellaneous School Supplies	200 00	
School House at Smithville	4,500 00	
Fire Escapes for Village Schools	1,500 00	

Support of Poor	3,500 00	
Town Debt and Interest,	10,000 00	
Repairs of Roads and Bridges,	10,000 00	
Miscellaneous,	3,000 00	
Permanent Roads,	5,295 00	
Memorial Day	75 00	
Public Library,	1,500 00	
Repairs on Town House,	150 00	
Maine Avenue Sidewalk,	350 00	
York Street Sidewalk,	200 00	
Guide Boards,	100 00	
Fence at Abbott's Mills Cemetery,	35 00	
Overlay,	674 42	
		\$ 55,879 42
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Total Appropriations		\$ 72,009 10

Rate of Property Tax, \$.02	
Number of Polls, 2,183	
Rate of Poll Tax, \$3.00	
Amount of Poll Tax	\$ 6,549 00
Amount of Property Tax	65,460 10
	<hr/> \$ 72,009 10

ABSTRACT FROM ASSESSORS' REPORT TO STATE ASSESSORS FOR THE YEAR 1909

LIVE STOCK TAXED	No.
Horses and Mules	663
Colts, 3 to 4 years old,	9
Colts, 2 to 3 years old,	23
Colts, under 2 years old	33
Cows	507

Oxen	39
3 years old,	85
2 years old,	135
1 year old,	87
Sheep	457
Swine	97

POOR ACCOUNT

DR.

Amount appropriated and raised,	\$3,500 00
Received from Louis Michand,	81 50
" " Geo. Hodgdon for care of Fred Hodgdon	55 04
Received from State for care of Valentine Glines,	140 00
Due from State for care of Valentine Glines,	210 60
Due from State for care of S. A. Russell,	60 94
Due from State for care of Mrs. Mina Martin,	46 62
Due from State for care of Mrs. Albert Coulombe,	115 68
Due from State for care of Marie Ann Parise,	132 50
Due from State for care of Mrs. Guimond,	33 93
Due from City of Lewiston for care of A. Foucher,	27 48
Due from City of Lewiston for care of Mrs. Grenier	10 00
Due from Town of Jay for care of Beatrice Laundry,	5 00

Received from G. T. Thurston for care of A. Lufkin,	138 01	
	<hr/>	\$4,557 30

CR.

Paid for George Manson

Geo. V. Marshall, supplies,	\$20 00	
do. do.	16 00	
do. do.	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 52 00

Paid for Jos. A. Laundry

E. J. Roderick, supplies,	\$ 34 14
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Paid for W. P. Estes

H. F. Abbott, Medical Attendance,	\$ 3 50
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Paid for Mrs. Mina Martin

Geo. N. Marshall, supplies	\$25 65	
do. do.	6 67	
do. transportation	10 00	
Gauthier Bros., supplies	4 30	
	<hr/>	\$ 46 62

Paid for Amanda Hannad

E. J. Roderick, supplies,	\$21 00
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Paid for S. A. Russell

Melcher Trading Co., supplies,	48 86	
do. do.	12 08	
	<hr/>	\$ 60 94

Paid for D. F. LeBlanc

E. J. Roderick, supplies, \$ 41 00

Paid for Child of Frank Duondas

Gauthier Furniture Co., burial expenses, \$15 00

Paid for Chas. Black

Oxford Emergency Hospital, care \$ 18 75

Paid for Hookis Baby

Gauthier Furniture Co., burial expenses, \$ 15 00

Paid for Jack Gillis

Judkins & Stevens, supplies,	\$ 2 24	
Dunton Lumber Co., rent,	7 00	
Harry L. Dunton, wood,	3 75	
Geo. N. Marshall, supplies,	9 46	
C. H. McKenzie Co., supplies,	9 98	
Harry L. Dunton, wood,	7 50	
Melcher Trading Co., supplies,	7 25	
	—————	\$ 47 18

Paid for A. Foucher

Gauthier Bros., supplies,	\$19 48	
City of Lewiston, do.	6 00	
Harry L. Dunton, wood,	2 00	
	—————	\$ 27 48

Paid for Miss Waterhouse

W. P. McDonald Co., supplies, \$ 8 50

Paid for W. Witkus

Hospital, Sisters of Charity, care, \$ 12 00

Paid for Child Eddie

Lizzie Moody, care for 12 months, \$ 120 00

Paid for Roy Estes

J. B. Roberts, burial expenses \$ 18 75

Paid for Marie Ann Parise

Gauthier Furniture Co., burial expenses,	\$15 00	
Mary Arsenault, care,	25 00	
do. do.	71 00	
E. M. McCarty, M.D., medical attendance,	21 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 132 50

Paid for Jersyne Martin

S. L. Moody, care, \$ 222 00

Paid for A. K. P. Simpson

Town of Mechanic Falls, supplies for 1908, \$ 5 75

Paid for Frank G. Dame

Chas. J. Harmon, care,	\$12 39	
Rosamond L Harmon, care,	6 00	
W. S. Crommett. supplies,	39 65	
R L. Hanson, do.	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 64 04

Paid for Beatrice Laundry

Adelard Guimond, care, \$5 00

Paid for Elie Roy

L. H. Veilleux, transportation,	\$ 9 97	
do. hospital expenses,	4 66	
do. transportation,	14 50	
	—————\$	29 13

Paid for Mrs. Fecteau

J. A. Garneau & Co., supplies,	\$ 4 49	
L. H. Veilleux, wood,	2 00	
	—————\$	6 49

Paid for Mrs. Celina Couture and Children

L. H. Veilleux. transportation, \$ 10 00

Paid for Sarah J. Thomas

R. E. Knight, supplies,	\$10 46	
do. do.	12 22	
do. do.	5 75	
do. do.	16 35	
	—————\$	44 78

Paid for Louis Michand

J. W. Stuart, medical attendance,	\$35 00	
A. L. Stanwood, do.	29 00	
T. H. Burgess, supplies,	10 00	
J. W. Stuart, medical attendance,	7 50	
Mrs. L. F. Swain, care,	1 00	
	—————\$	82 50.

Paid for Albert Farrar

Sarah J. Thomas, care, \$ 18 00

Paid for Mrs. Grenier

Gonya Bros., supplies, \$ 10 00

Paid for Valentine Glines

Betsy A. Knight, care,	\$203 10	
A. W. Hopkins, care,	100 00	
E. B. Abbott, digging grave,	5 00	
J. B. Roberts, burial expenses,	32 00	
H. F. Abbott, medical attendance,	10 50	
	—————	\$ 350 60

Paid for Mrs. Peter Ayotte

L. O. Lesieur, M.D., medical attendance \$ 15 00

Paid for Michael Coan

R. L. Melcher, transportation,	\$18 12	
J. A. Nile, M.D., medical attendance,	4 50	
	—————	\$ 22 62

Paid for Michel Bradley

R. L. Melcher, cash paid Annie
McCarty, care, \$ 35 00

Paid for Domenice Mantine

Gauthier Furniture Co., burial expenses, \$ 10 00

Paid for Thelma Bolge

E. W. Howe, burial expenses, \$ 10 00

Paid for Mrs. Foster

Melcher Trading Co., supplies,	\$45 63	
R. L. Melcher, supplies,	7 39	
	—————	\$ 53 02

Paid for Geo. Malloy

Laura F. Noyes, care,	\$	75 00
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Paid for A. Lessard

Laura F. Noyes, M.D., medical attendance,	\$17 50	
Vitaline LePlant, board of child,	22 50	
Anastaise Bouchard, care of child,	9 90	
E. K. Day Co., supplies,	2 25	
Peter LaPlante, care of children,	8 00	
Gauthier Furniture Co., ambulance,	3 00	
Marcoux & Levasseur, supplies,	11 15	
J. A. LaFlamme, supplies	7 65	
	—————	\$ 81 95

Paid for Mrs Albert Coulombe

L. H. Veilleux, supplies,	\$10 50	
Philomene Tremblay, supplies,	7 00	
Gauthier Furniture Co., burial expense,	15 00	
A. A. Hall, supplies,	8 00	
J. A. Garneau & Co., supplies,	14 27	
L. H. Veilleux, supplies,	11 00	
J. A. Garneau & Co., supplies,	30 66	
Philomene Tremblay, supplies,	7 00	
Gonya Bros., supplies,	1 25	
L. H. Veilleux, supplies,	11 00	
	—————	\$ 115 68

<i>Paid for Mrs. Guimond</i>	
Gauthier Bros., supplies,	\$ 33 93
<i>Paid for James Scott</i>	
City of Portland, care,	\$ 12 00
<i>Paid for Charles McKendy</i>	
City of Portland, care,	\$ 35 00
<i>Paid for A. Lufkin</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 138 01
<i>Paid for A. Boldouc</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 117 61
<i>Paid for F. C. Hodsdon</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 55 04
<i>Paid for R. Hodsdon</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 123 18
<i>Paid for Felix Plante</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 128 27
<i>Paid for Frank Woods</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 127 43
<i>Paid for Insane Paupers</i>	
Maine Insane Hospital, care,	\$ 174 80
<i>Paid for J. C. Small</i>	
Waldo Pettengill, expense to Portland,	\$ 8 50
City of South Portland, care,	126 16
	———\$ 134 66

Paid for Sundry Paupers

Gentile & Lavorgna, Italian pauper, \$	4 78	
L. H. Veilleux, transportation,	8 00	
L. O. Lesieur, M.D., services as town physician	100 00	
	<u>—————</u>	\$ 112 78
Total amount of pauper bills,		\$3,133 63
Amount undrawn,		\$1,423 67

PERMANENT ROAD ACCOUNT

DR.

Amount appropriated and raised, \$	5,295 00	
“ received from State,	663 75	
“ of note for cost of road to Rumford Center,	7,364 80	
	<u>—————</u>	\$ 13,323 55

CR.

Labor

Paid bills approved by I. W. Greene,	\$6,285 89	
Paid James McGregor,	291 79	
“ H. C. French, inspecting and plans,	310 45	
Paid P. A. Lovejoy,	14 00	
“ Fred Coffin,	5 00	
“ A. C. Tuttle,	12 00	
	<u>—————</u>	\$ 6,919 13

Team

Paid bills approved by I. W.	
Greene,	\$3,806 59
Paid P. A. Lovejoy,	13 06
	<hr/> \$ 3,819 65

Material

Paid bills approved by I. W.	
Greene,	\$1,026 83
Paid H. C. French for freight and trucking,	17 20
Paid T. H. Burgess,	14 18
“ E. C. Farnum,	10 75
“ N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	157 07
“ A. B. Black,	124 31
“ Dunton Lumber Co.,	102 70
“ L. W. Smith,	5 00
“ International Paper Co.,	8 73
“ Edwards & Walker Co.,	95 84
“ C. R. Abbott,	18 30
“ R. Falls Publishing Co.,	4 13
“ Lewiston Journal Co.,	5 53
“ Clark Foundry Co.,	13 15
“ American Realty Co.,	10 23
“ Arthemese Talbot,	15 00
“ W. L. Blake,	4 00
“ H. P. Cummings Construction Co.,	286 21
Paid American Bridge Co.,	150 00
“ P A. Lovejoy,	2 65
	<hr/> \$ 2,071 81
Total disbursements,	\$12,810 59
Amount undrawn,	512 96
	<hr/> \$13,323 55

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT

DR.

Appropriated and raised,	\$3,000 00
Received for licenses,	251 00
Due from State for sheep killed by dogs, 1908	101 50
Due from State for sheep killed by dogs, 1909	79 30
Received from H. L. Elliott, rent of room in lockup,	12 00
Received from State for railroad tax,	3,669 30
Treasurer's check No. cancelled	3 50
Due from County for rent of Court Room to Jan. 1st, 1910	75 00
Due from County for rent of Judges Office to Jan. 1st, 1910	50 00
	<hr/> \$ 7,241 60

CR.

John H. Longley, balance of salary 1908	\$ 25 00
C. R. Abbott, care of boiler	2 50
A. L. Stanwood. Board of Health 1908	50 00
A. L. Stanwood, Milk Inspector, 1908	200 00
A. L. Stanwood, supplies for milk inspector	3 74
Kendall & Whitney, supplies for milk inspector	10 40

O. J. Gonya, services school board 1908	75 00
Bisbee & Parker, legal services	74 28
F. P. Putnam, fighting fire	3 75
F. B. Martin, salary as treasurer, 1908	150 00
Arthur Gauthier, services 1908	466 00
R. L. Melcher, services 1908	355 00
H. C. French, services 1908	363 00
James B. Stevenson, services 1908	22 00
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	3 60
John H. Longley, services	35 00
Oxford Printing Co., printing	10 25
R. Falls Publishing Co., printing town reports	162 00
John E. Stephens, services school board 1908	75 00
J. A. McMennamin, posting warrant	15 00
L. O. Lesieur, board of health 1908	25 00
L. D. Elliott, school board 1908	75 00
H. L. Elliott, board of health 1908	75 00
W. P. McDonald Co., antitoxine	10 30
Loring, Short & Harmon, birth record	3 00
L. L. Niles, inspecting fire escapes	10 00
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights,	3 78
E. M. Bessey, ballot clerk	10 00
Morse & Milne, rent of store house	18 00
D. D. Leader, use of Cheney Opera House	15 00
James A. McMennamin, collecting taxes	200 00
Oxford Printing Co., letter heads	2 25

Ames & Morse, team hire	2 25
R. F. Trust Co., rent of 3rd floor	100 00
John H. Longley, recording births, marriages, deaths and services	21 50
C. E. Greenwood, plans for bridge	90 00
Henry Nelson, surveying	11 50
Loring, Short & Harmon, office supplies	32 20
J. W. Stuart, board of health 1908	50 00
R. F. Power Co., rent of pest house	20 00
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	3 69
L. H. Veilleux, collector's bond	40 00
F. H. Atwood, envelopes	10 62
J. A. McMennamin, clerk for selectmen,	60 00
Merrill & Webber, supplies	2 75
R. F. Trust Co., rent of lock-up	21 75
H. H. Hutchins, ballot clerk	10 00
H. H. Hutchins, clerk for selectmen	68 00
F. H. Bartlett, ballot clerk	10 00
J. W. Stuart, burying horse	5 00
W. J. Bray, board	31 00
R. L. Melcher, expense	2 85
R. F. Light and Water Co., lights	6 73
R. F. Publishing Co., printing notices	5 50
R. F. Trust Co., rent of 3rd floor and lock-up	121 75
Henry Nelson, inspecting foot bridge	1 00
R. F. Publishing Co., warrant for special town meeting	3 75
A. L. Stanwood, milk inspector	100 00
Chas. Morse, damage to shed	5 00
John J. Gandrows, suppers for tramps	1 00

R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	4 58
John H. Longley, recording births, marriages, deaths and services	43 41
Mrs. S. P. Longley, recording births, marriages, deaths and services	7 10
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	4 84
W. D. Kerr, dump cart	75 00
R. F. Insurance Agency, treasurer's bond	20 00
Loring, Short and Harmon, record book	4 00
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	1 98
Henry Nelson, work on plans	12 00
Ames & Morse, teams	1 75
R. F. Publishing Co., printing notices	9 00
Curneil Bros., fighting fire	4 40
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	1 80
Lewiston Journal, advertising for bridge	13 40
R. F. Publishing Co., warrant for special town meeting	4 00
W. D. Kerr, balance on dump cart	75 00
R. F. Power Co., land rent of pest house	20 00
W. H. Roach, killing dogs	20 00
W. H. Roach, extra town police	9 00
Dunton Lumber Co., fighting fire	6 25
James B. Stevenson, services as auditor	41 50
James A. McMennamin, collecting taxes	700 00
H. C. French, freight paid	1 06

R. L. Melcher, telephone bills	2 10
R. L. Melcher, expense on account of new bridge	13 30
Oxford Printing Co., printing	10 00
O. A. Pettengill, recording births, marriages, deaths and services	30 30
H. L. Elliott, disinfecting	65 50
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	4 48
R. F. Power Co., land rent for pest house	5 00
R. F. Publishing Co., board of health notices	1 00
Maine Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone bills	2 90
The Engineering Record, advertisement for bids on new bridge	7 20
L. H. Veilleux, services as select- man, part payment for 1909	200 00
E. H. Stoddard, dinners for special meeting	3 70
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	3 69
R. F. Power Co., land rent for pest house	5 00
R. L. Melcher, telephone bills	1 88
A. F. Talbot, sheep killed by dogs	3 00
R. F. Trust Co., rent of 3rd floor and lock-up	121 75
Ames & Morse, team hire	4 00
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	2 43
Maine Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone bills	2 10
W. P. McDonald Co., supplies	2 20
R. F. Publishing Co., adv. town meeting	4 00
Lewis M. Hutchins, sheep killed by dogs	9 00

H. C. French, help hired on town line	3	00
H. L. Elliott, services as milk inspector	100	00
H. L. Elliott, disinfected	2	50
O. A. Pettengill, recording births, mar- riages, deaths and services	53	55
R. F. Light & Water Co., lights	5	74
R. F. Power Co., land rent of pest house	10	00
Clark Foundry Co., grates	9	15
F. B. Martin, paid doctors for record- ing births and deaths, 1909	90	50
Maine Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone bills	75	
James B. Stevenson, legal advice	11	14
Augustus M. Carter, work on town line	32	50
Bisbee & Parker, legal services on account of Lord & Croteau	33	70
R. L. Melcher, expenses on account of Lord & Croteau	24	62
R. F. Trust Co., rent of 3rd floor and lock-up	121	75
James A. McMennamin, abatement of 1908 taxes	255	84
R. L. Melcher, cash paid for ex- penses	22	10
James K. Welch, sheep killed by dogs	3	00
E. D. Thompson, do.	9	00
Charles Morse, do.	4	30
John Howe, do.	13	50
E. E. Glover, do.	3	00
W. V. Kimball, do.	4	50
J. W. Elliott, do.	9	00

Nial Hoyt, sheep killed by dogs	4 50
V. D. Kimball, do.	9 00
Charles S. Morse do.	7 50
C. R. Abbott, for watering tub	2 50
Ella Demars, do.	3 00
C. D. Howard, do.	6 00
Geo. Duran, do.	3 00
O. J. Henry, do.	6 00
A. H. Silver, do.	3 00
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Total disbursements,	\$ 5,838 93
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Amount undrawn,	\$ 1,402 67

MEMORIAL DAY

	DR.	
Amount appropriated and raised		\$ 75 00
	CR.	
Paid Franklin Martin		\$ 75 00

RUMFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

	DR.	
Amount undrawn		\$ 100 00
Amount appropriated and raised		1,500 00
Received from State		100 00
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		\$ 1,700 00
	CR.	
Paid Elisha Pratt, treasurer		\$ 1,700 00

REPAIRS OF FENCE AT ABBOTT'S MILLS
CEMETERY

DR.

Amount appropriated and raised \$ 35 00

CR.

Paid P. K. Delano \$ 35 00

GUIDE BOARDS

DR.

Amount appropriated and raised \$ 100 00

CR.

Paid W. W. Hardy 95 10

Amount undrawn, \$ 4 90

SIDEWALK ACCOUNT

DR.

Amount appropriated and raised
for Maine Avenue \$350 00

Amount appropriated and raised
for York street 200 00

—————\$ 550 00

CR.

Paid E. P. Woods \$700 00

“ J. H. Kerr 38 23

—————\$ 738 23'

Amount overdrawn, \$ 188 23

REPAIRS OF TOWN HOUSE

DR.

Amount appropriated and raised	\$	150 00
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CR.

Paid C. R. Abbott	\$74 00	
“ H. C. French, hauling shingles	4 00	
“ Dunton Lumber Co., lumber	72 00	
	—————\$	150 00

REPAIRS OF ROADS AND BRIDGES

DR.

Appropriated and raised	\$10,000 00	
Received from H. P. Cummings Cons. Co.	78 00	
Received from A. E. Stearns	42 10	
	—————\$	10,120 10

CR.

REPAIRING WOODEN BRIDGES

LOGAN BRIDGE

Labor

Paid C. W. Lapham	\$153 00	\$	153 00
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Material

Paid Dunton Lumber Co.,	\$28 53	\$	28 53
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Total repairs wooden bridges		\$	181 53
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REPAIRING ROADS

Labor

Paid bills approved by John Milne,	\$	798	93	
do. I. W.				
Greene		3,914	09	
Paid bills approved by A. L.				
Abbott		1,719	05	
Paid Louis Glover		3	00	
“ S. F. Bishop		9	62	
	—————	\$	6,444	69

Team

Paid bills approved by John Milne,	\$	486	65	
do. I. W.				
Greene		2,509	79	
Paid bills approved by A. L.				
Abbott		1,259	12	
Paid Chas. Rose		3	00	
	—————	\$	4,258	56

Material

Paid bills approved by John Milne,	\$	17	15	
do. I. W. Greene		408	92	
do. A. L. Abbott		111	42	
do. Dunton Lumber Co.		671	17	
do. A. R. Mason		12	40	
do. N. E. Metal Culvert Co.		200	15	
do. Curneil Bros.		4	00	
do. American Realty Co.		12	21	
do. R. L. Melcher		26	26	
do. International Paper Co.		20	03	
	—————	\$	1,483	71
Total disbursements		\$	12,368	49
Amount overdrawn		\$	2,244	39

COMMON SCHOOLS

DR.

Balance undrawn 1908	\$3,016 06
Amount appropriated and raised	8,500 00
Received from State	7,261 83
Received from other sources	203 80
	<hr/> \$18,981 69

CR.

Bills approved by school committee	\$ 18,692 05
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Amount undrawn	\$ 289 64

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT

DR.

Balance undrawn 1908	\$ 322 95
Appropriated and raised	1,000 00
Received from other sources	29 00
	<hr/> \$ 1,351 95

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	797 77
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Amount undrawn	\$ 554 18

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

DR

Balance undrawn 1908	\$368 97
Appropriated and raised	800 00
Received from other sources	16 47
	<hr/> \$ 1,185 44

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 1,064 09
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Amount undrawn	\$ 121 35

REPAIRS SCHOOL HOUSES

DR.

Balance undrawn 1908	\$ 36 93
Appropriated and raised	800 00
Received from other sources	6 48
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	\$ 843 41

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 691 61
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Amount undrawn	\$ 151 80

HIGH SCHOOL

DR.

Balance undrawn 1908	\$1,464 95
Appropriated and raised	2,500 00
Received from State	250 00
Received from other sources	210 00
	<hr/>
	\$ 4,424 95

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 3,366 68
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Amount undrawn	\$ 1,058 27

SUPERINTENDENCE

DR.

Balance undrawn 1908	\$322 11
Appropriated and raised	800 00
Received from State	994 91
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	\$ 2,117 02

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 1,887 84
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Amount undrawn	\$ 229 18

INSURANCE

DR.

Appropriated and raised	\$400 00
Overdraft in 1908	8 35
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	\$ 391 65

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 300 62
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Amount undrawn	\$ 91 03

NEW BUILDINGS

DR.

Appropriated and raised	\$4,500 00
Overdraft in 1908	4,319 36
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	\$ 180 64
Received from other sources	128 80
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	\$ 309 44

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 416 74
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Amount overdrawn	\$ 107 30

MISCELLANEOUS

DR.

Balance undrawn 1908	\$ 61 88
Appropriated and raised	200 00
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	\$ 261 88

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 96 77
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Amount undrawn	\$ 165 11

SPECIAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Cr.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 602 34
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FIRE ESCAPES

DR.

Appropriated and raised	\$1,500 00
Treasurer's check No., cancelled	25 00
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	\$ 1,525 00

CR.

Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 541 18
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Amount undrawn	\$ 983 82

MEDICAL INSPECTION

DR.	
Appropriated and raised	\$ 100 00
CR.	
Bills approved by School Committee	\$ 38 00
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Amount undrawn	\$ 62 00

SUMMARY OF ORDERS DRAWN MUNICIPAL YEAR 1909

For support of poor	\$ 3,133 63
Permanent road	12,810 59
Miscellaneous	5,815 43
Watering tubs	23 50
Memorial Day	75 00
Public library	1,700 00
Abbott's Mills cemetery fence	35 00
Guide Boards	95 10
New Sidewalks	738 23
Repairs of town house	150 00
Repairs of wooden bridges	181 53
Repairs of highways	12,186 96
Common Schools	18,692 05
Text book account	797 77
School supplies	1,064 09
Repairs of school houses	691 61
High school	3,366 68
Superintendence	1,887 84
Insurance	300 62
New buildings	416 74
Miscellaneous	96 77

Special school account	602 34
Fire escapes	541 18
Medical Inspection	38 00
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Total	\$65,440 66

RECOMMENDATIONS

Interest	\$ 4,000 00
Repairs of roads and bridges	10,000 00
Support of poor	3,500 00
Miscellaneous	3,000 00
Permanent roads	5,000 00
Town debt	6,775 53
Public library	1,500 00
Abatement of taxes	2,000 00

Financial Standing of the Town.

FEBRUARY 1st, 1910

LIABILITIES

Town bonds at 4 per cent.	\$71,500 00
Invested school funds	2,930 00
Methodist Society, Rumford Center	1,225 00
Congregational Society, Rumford Point	1,000 00
C. A. Kimball fund	500 00
	<hr/> \$77,155 00

Bills Payable

Selectmen's salary for 1909, estimated	1,000 00
Treasurer's salary for 1909	200 00
School committee, salary for 1909	225 00
Board of Health do.	175 00
Demand notes for permanent roads	14,140 33
Demand notes for Congress Street	5,620 46
	<hr/> \$21,360 79
	<hr/> \$98,515 79

RESOURCES

Cash in hand of treasurer	\$ 9,447 00
Non-collected taxes for 1906	2,072 03
do. do. 1907	1,831 90
do. do. 1908	2,349 47
do. do. 1909	5,272 70
Due from State, account State pensions	180 00
Due from Town of Paris, care of W. P. Estes	50 85
Due from City of Lewiston, care of Mrs. Grenier	85 00
Due from City of Lewiston, care of A. Foucher	27 48
Due from county, rent of court room to Jan. 1, 1910	225 00
Due from county, rent of judge's office July 1, 1907 to Jan. 1, 1910,	250 00
Due from State, care Royal Clement	35 00
do. do. Mrs. Martin	46 62
do. do. S. A. Russell	60 94
do. do. Marie Anne Parise	132 50
Due from Town of Jay, care Beatrice Landry	5 00
Due from State, care of Valentine Glines	210 60
Due from State, care of Mrs. Albert Coulombe	115 68
Due from State, care Mrs. Adelaide Guimond	33 93
Due from James Shea, sidewalk	8 34

Due from Ulric Metevier, sidewalk	8 34	
do. James Hollis do.	11 67	
do. J. P. Bennett do.	10 00	
do. P Wills do.	8 34	
do. C. Smith do.	8 34	
do. R. J. Virgin do.	16 43	
do. Arthur Allen do.	11 38	
do. J. W. Simpson do.	7 30	
do. J. A. LaFlammé do.	52 10	
do. do. do.	39 05	
do. LouisH.Veilleux do.	10 95	
do. Edmund Tardiff do.	10 95	
do. C. P. Eaton do.	16 43	
do. F. M. Rawley do.	9 12	
Stone crushing plant, rollers and road machine, and cart	1,500 00	
Steam Roller	2,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$26,660 44
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Liabilities over resources		\$71,855 35

Treasurer's Report.

FEBRUARY 1st, 1910

DR.

Cash from preceding year	\$ 7,632 74
State acct. pensions paid 1908	168 00
State acct. free high school	375 00
State acct. public library	100 00
State acct. permanent roads 1909	663 75
State acct. R. R. & Tel. Tax 1909	3,669 30
State acct. school fund and mill tax 1909	7,261 83
State acct. dog licenses refunded	233 45
State acct. supts. salary to Jan. 1st, 1908	450 00
State acct. supts. salary to Jan. 1st, 1909	397 32
State acct. supts. salary to Jan. 1st, 1910	794 91
State acct. V. Glines, state pauper	140 00
State acct. Lord & Croteau, state pauper	642 67
City of Lewiston acct. of A. Foucher	62 17
Town of Poland, tuition to high school	30 00

Cash from Town of Sumner, tuition to high school	30 00
Interest on school fund note	175 80
Notes given at 5 per cent	31,864 80
J. A. McMennamin, coll. 1906	9 95
J. A. McMennamin, coll. 1907	85 50
J. A. McMennamin, coll. 1908	1,591 16
J. A. McMennamin, 1908 abatment order	255 84
J. A. McMennamin, coll. 1909	66,736 40
J. A. McMennamin, coll. inter- est	187 44
H. J. Chase, books sold	29 00
do. repairs	3 15
do. supplies	15 47
do. reimbursed by Miss Gott	8 00
H. J. Chase, old iron sold	3 33
H. J. Chase, discount from Hussey plow	25 00
H. J. Chase, tuition high school J. Reed	80 00
H. J. Chase, tuition high school, Town of Byron	20 00
H. J. Chase, common schools Milton Pla.	20 00
J.H. Longley, dog licenses 1909	242 00
O. A. Pettengill do. 1909	41 00
Check Lost	3 50
R. F. Power Co., acct. sidewalk	26 24
F. B. Carroll do.	13 33
Tom Hughes do.	18 25
F. F. Howard do.	10 00

Cash from H. L. Elliott, use of lock-up	12 00
I. W. Greene, labor and material	3 00
G. R. Hodgdon, acct. of F. S. Hodgdon	55 04
A. E. Stearns, labor near resi- dence	42 10
Louis Michand, reimbursement	81 50
H. P. Cummings Construction Co.	78 00
Dan Shea, disinfected	5 00
Gus Johnson do.	5 00
P. B. Clark do.	3 00
G. T. Thurston, care of A. Lufkin 1908	113 18
G. T. Thurston, care of A. Lufkin 1909	138 01
E. B. Harriman, license for pool room	5 00
Taylor & Dunn, license for pool room	12 50
J. M. Dorr, license for pool room	2 50
J. C. McKenzie do.	2 50
P. J. Perry do.	11 00
Savorie & Bergeron do.	11 00
Pickard & Marquis do.	1 00
Fred Johnson do.	1 50
Peter Kendall do.	10 00
N. M. McLeod do.	10 00
Geo. McIntire do.	10 00
C. J. Leary do.	10 00
W. Hanson do.	10 00
E. A. Poor do.	10 00
Alphonse Prevost do.	10 00

Cash from J. D. Metevier, license for pool room	10 00
G. Prevost do.	10 00
G. B. McMennamin do.	10 00
G Soucy do.	10 00
C. E. Howe, license to sell fire-works	5 00
Bert Brawn, license to sell fire-works	3 00
H. E. Mercier, license to sell fireworks	3 00
J. Cote, license to sell fireworks	3 00
R. L. Melcher, circus license collected	10 00
L. H. Veilleux, circus license collected	15 00
L. H. Veilleux, merry-go-round license collected	15 00
Linn's Dog Show, license	10 00
Philip Ash's Skating Rink, license	10 00
Mark Steinfeld, employment office, license	5 00
John Wiskont, pawn broker	10 00
B. T. Brawn, bowling alley	10 00
A. J. Pine, shooting gallery	5 00
	\$124,913 13

CR.

By paying interest on M. E. Society Fund	\$	49 00
do. C. A. Kimball do.		20 00
do. Cong. Society do.		40 00
do. School fund note,		175 80

By paying interest on Notes	782 99
do. Bonds	2,860 00
Notes	29,500 00
County tax 1909	5,487 19
State tax 1909	10,642 49
do. dog licenses 1909	288 00
Pensions 1909	180 00
Town orders	65,440 66
By cash on hand	9,447 00
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	\$124,913 13

F. B. MARTIN, *Treasurer*

RUMFORD, MAINE, Feb. 5th, 1910

We hereby certify that we, the undersigned, have carefully examined the above account and find it correct, and there is in the Treasurer's hands nine thousand four hundred and forty-seven dollars and no cents (\$9,447.00).

R. L. MELCHER,
H. C. FRENCH,
L. H. VEILLEUX,
Selectmen of Rumford

J. B. STEVENSON,
Auditor

RUMFORD, MAINE, February 5, 1910

I hereby certify that I have this day examined the accounts of F. B. Martin, Treasurer of the Town of Rumford, and find the same correctly cast as stated.

That as to the item of Sixty-five thousand four hundred and forty dollars and sixty-six cents for orders paid, I have examined each order together with the vouchers on file with the Selectmen, and find the same to amount to that sum.

That in accordance with the vote of the town, I met with the Selectmen and Treasurer at each session for the transaction of town business, and examined all bills presented for payment before the same were allowed and paid.

JAMES B. STEVENSON,
Auditor

Annual Report of the Trustees of the Rumford Public Library

For Year Ending January 26, 1910

TRUSTEES

ELISHA PRATT, *Chairman*

CHARLES A. MIXER, HERBERT J. CHASE

MABEL S. KENNARD, ETHEL S. PETTENGILL

At the beginning of the year the organization of the Board was improved by adopting the customary rule that the senior member should be the chairman for the year.

Regular meetings have been held at the Library on the second Wednesday of each month excepting in July and August.

Rumford Public Library now contains 3266 volumes, 70 volumes having been added during the year. As shown by our Treasurer's report, \$200 was received from the State during the fiscal year. The 1908 stipend of \$100 was received in March, 1909, and the 1909 stipend of \$100 was received in January 1910.

The State gives to public libraries for the purchase

of books an amount equal to ten per cent of the Town's library appropriation, provided the Town expends an equal amount for this purpose. This provision of law will entitle us to \$150 from the State this year for the purchase of books. We should always avail ourselves of this helpful provision.

Below we give a list of magazines furnished for our reading rooms.

Atlantic	North American Review
Century	Outing Magazine
Christian Endeavor	World Outlook
Country Life	Popular Mechanics
Delineator	Public Libraries
Dial	Review of Reviews
Everybody's	St Nicholas
Harper's Monthly	Scientific American
Harper's Weekly	World's Work
Hampton	Youth's Companion
Literary Digest	McClure's
Motor	

During the last calendar year 11257 books were given out. Of these, 9062 were books of fiction. At the tables in our reading rooms there have been 7785 readers during the year.

It should be remembered by all that the Library is not for the village only but for the entire town, and it is hoped that during the coming year the use and benefits of the Library will be extended to the town limits in every direction. As has been arranged by one remote neighborhood, several people have procured library cards in the regular way and, in a box provided for the purpose, books are sent to the library by any-

one in the neighborhood coming to the village, who exchanges the books for others and at home distributes them to the card holders.

Some of our books need rebinding. This would cost about twenty-five cents a volume, and should not be neglected. Also there is an urgent call for binding some of the magazines, that they may be used for reference.

The entire library should be systematically catalogued and printed copies issued for distribution to patrons. This would cost about \$150 and would greatly increase its usefulness.

We recommend an appropriation of \$1500 by the Town. This amount will be necessary to meet expenses about as follows:—

Librarian	\$600 00
Janitor	240 00
Fuel	175 00
Light & Water	85 00
Books	150 00
Magazines & Papers	60 00
Catalogue	150 00
Miscellaneous Repairs, etc	40 00
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	\$ 1500 00

ELISHA PRATT, *Chairman*
CHARLES A. MIXER
HERBERT J. CHASE
MABEL S. KENNARD
ETHEL S. PETTENGILL
Trustees

Trustees of Rumford Public Library in Account with Town of Rumford

For Year ending January 26, 1910

RECEIPTS

Balance January 26, 1909	\$40 62	
From Town of Rumford, Appropriation 1909	1500 00	
State of Maine, Stipend for 1908	100 00	
State of Maine, Stipend for 1909	100 00	
Rebate of Freight paid in 1908	3 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1743 62

EXPENDITURES

Paid Librarian	\$600 00	
Janitor	240 00	
Coal and Wood	169 50	
Light and Water and Electric Fixtures	86 55	
Books, Papers and Magazines	364 40	
Express, Freight and Trucking	2 71	
Premium on Insurance	20 40	
Screens and Table	32 50	
Miscellaneous Expenses	36 66	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1552 72
Balance January 26, 1910		<u> </u> \$ 190 90

There are outstanding bills, and bills maturing next month, February, which aggregate more than our balance on hand.

During the year the Librarian has collected \$71.05 in dues and fines, and has expended this amount judiciously for the benefit of the library, accounting for the same to the Trustees at their monthly meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

ELISHA PRATT

Treasurer

January 26, 1910

Report of Milk Inspector.

RUMFORD FALLS, MAINE, February 1st, 1910

To the Selectmen of Rumford:

Sirs,

I herewith submit my report as Milk Inspector from Oct. 1st., 1909 to Feb 1st., 1910.

On the first of October after my appointment I made an investigation of every Milk Dealer's premises and also a visit to every Producer that sent milk to this village for sale.

I found several things that needed changing and made what suggestions I thought needed, and on second visits I found nearly all of the changes made.

The principal fault I found to be carelessness in keeping cows and milk utensils clean, some barns had no glass windows and were dark and no ventilation. This has all been changed and I find people more careful in keeping cows and utensils clean.

During cold weather I find that some of the producers are putting the milk into cans while warm and stopping cans, which should never be done as milk should not be sealed until all animal heat is out as it gives the milk a bad odor and will cause it to sour.

In some instances I found the milk not up to standard and in most cases by feeding a little more grain the milk was brought up to the required test, and where

this was not done I have stopped the people from sending milk here for sale.

On the whole I have found the producers and also the milk men willing and anxious to make changes as I suggested and where they have not they have been obliged to keep their milk at home.

I think that today that any person that will visit any of the milk men's rooms where milk is bottled will agree with me that these rooms are kept in good order.

Producers cannot be too careful about their barns and milk rooms as the milk will take any odor very quick and any report that is made to me I shall in the future as in the past investigate and where I find conditions that warrant, shall stop the milk being sent to this market until such defects are removed.

Yours,

H. L. ELLIOTT,
Milk Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF RUMFORD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1909

Report of the School Committee

TO THE CITIZENS OF RUMFORD: —

Your school committee herewith submit their annual report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1909, followed by report of the superintendent of schools, which we approve and earnestly recommend for your perusal.

Your committee organized March 5, 1909 with L. D. Elliott, chairman, H. J. Chase secretary ex-officio.

The union of the schools of Rumford with those of Hanover for better superintendence, made possible by vote of the towns at their annual meeting March 2nd, 1908, is still in force as the law provides that a union so formed shall continue three years.

At a meeting of the joint committee held at Rumford Point, March 23, 1909, C. F. Saunders was made chairman, L. D. Elliott secretary. H. J. Chase was unanimously elected to continue as Superintendent of the union for the year ending March 31, 1910.

SCHOOL ACCOMODATIONS

Your committee have had many complaints from parents that their children were not allowed to attend school but one session each day. This is true because we have been handicapped by lack of room.

We are doing our best to serve the Town, but under the present crowded conditions we are badly hampered.

We are paying a rental of \$900 per year for five extra rooms, which in important respects are not suitably arranged for school purposes, and have no play grounds but the streets.

Acting under instructions from the town, a special committee secured plans for a High School building, with additional accommodations for the grades, from different architects (at their expense), and one accepted by your committee (cuts of which appear in this report) was submitted to the voters at a special Town meeting. For reasons, financial or otherwise, it was rejected.

The number of pupils in your High School is increasing, and it becomes incumbent upon the citizens of Rumford to see that better accommodations are afforded.

IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS

Among the more important of these were the fire escapes erected on the Chisholm and Bisbee houses, and changes in the doors and corridors in all the village schools, making as we think these houses practically safe in case of fire.

Metal flashings were put on the Pettengill and Virginia houses and the old part (so called) of the latter re-shingled.

The Rumford Corner house was re-furnished and opened for the spring and fall terms.

The Smithville grounds have been graded, making this house, with its surroundings, one of the most attractive of the rural schools.

Quite a lot of concrete work has been done at the Chisholm school, some of which is not satisfactory and will be reconstructed (at contractor's expense) next

spring. At that time we recommend that a concrete walk be laid from the front entrance to the street.

Some of the rural houses should be painted this year. This with the minor repairs constantly occurring will put the school buildings in very good condition.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

Common Schools	\$7500 00
High School	2500 00
Text Books	800 00
Supplies (including light and water)	1500 00
Repairs	1000 00
Superintendence	1000 00
Insurance	300 00
Special school account	1000 00
Evening School	200 00
Miscellaneous expenses	200 00
Medical inspection	50 00

Respectfully submitted,

L. D. ELLIOTT,

J. E. STEPHENS

E. J. RODERICK

School Committee of Rumford

Proposed Plan for a New High School Building

Because of the fact that the need for a new school building has so vitally affected our schools this year and because of the additional fact that less than one hundred citizens were present to view the proposed plans and hear the discussion at the special meeting; it has seemed best to publish in this report the plans recommended by the special Committee and approved by the school Committee.

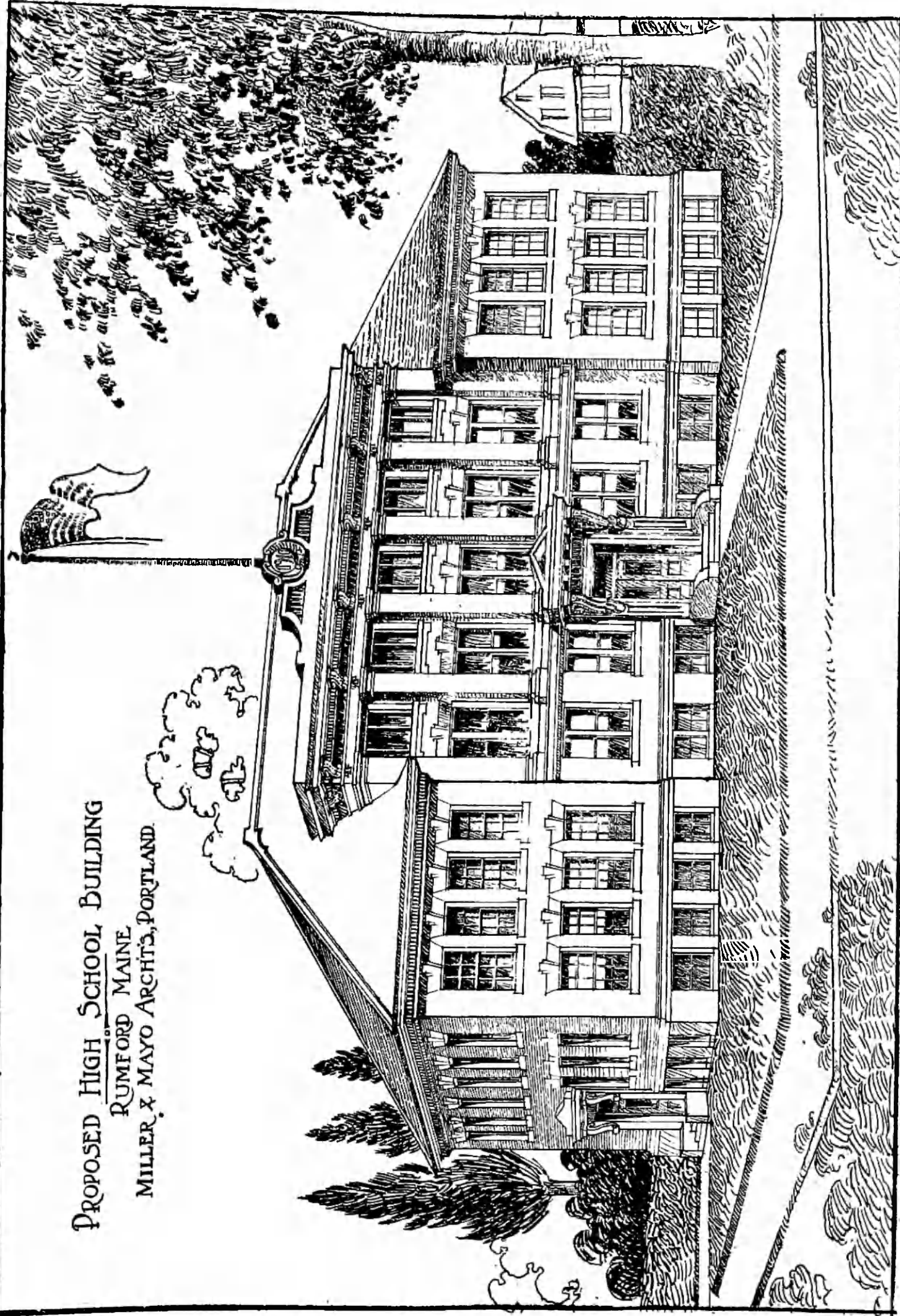
In architectural design and selection of material the the competing architects were instructed to observe the strictest economy consistent with durability and the character of the building planned.

Inasmuch as the building must provide for some pupils in the grades it was so arranged that all accommodations for the present High School, except the library and assembly hall, should be upon the second floor. At the same time the first floor and the entire building were so planned, that should the growth of that school demand, the whole would be well adapted for High School purposes only.

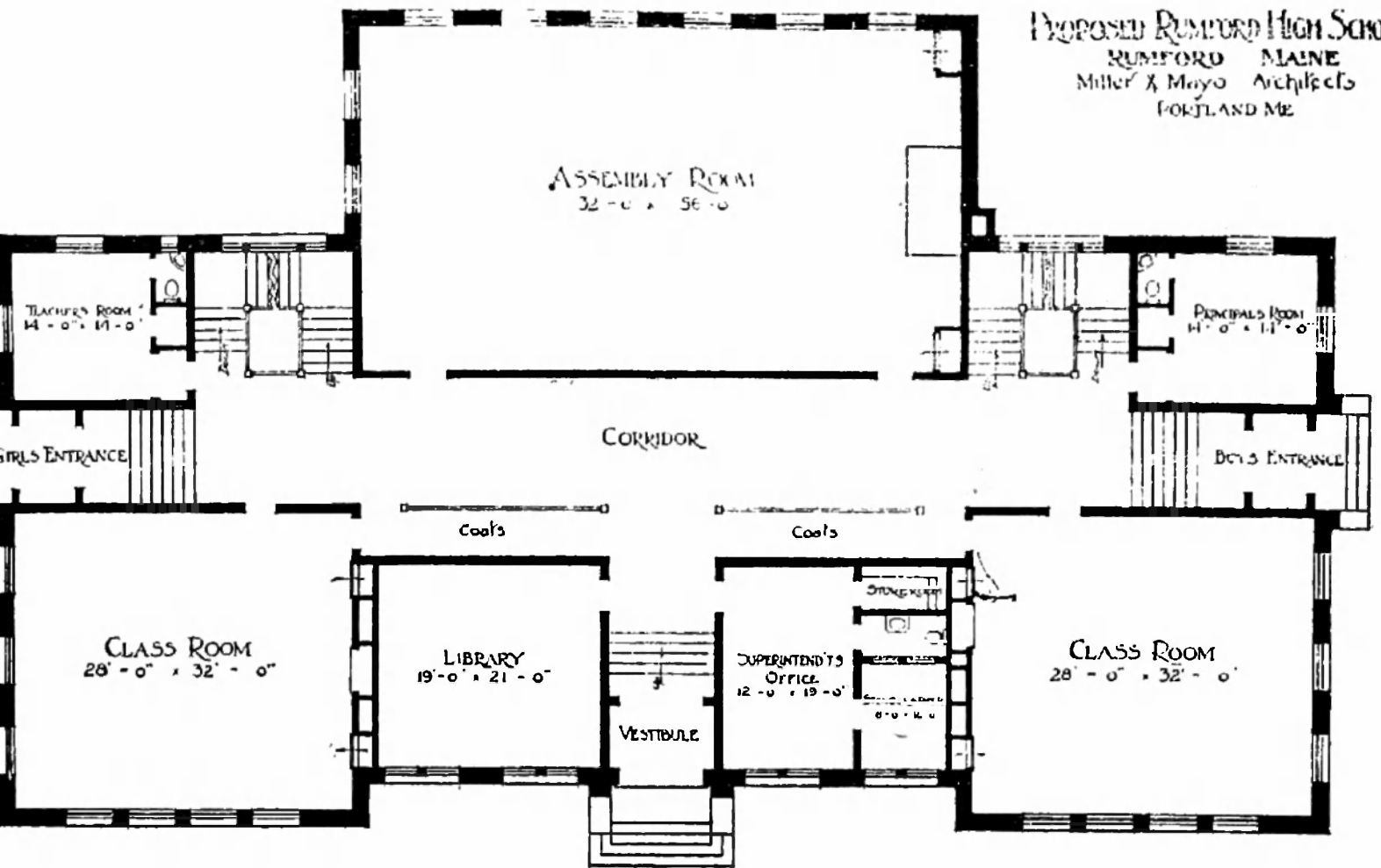
Only the plans for first and second floors are here presented; the basement provided rooms for boiler, fuel, toilet purposes, and manual training; the third floor rooms for mechanical drawing and domestic science.

The estimated cost of the building, with brick walls, slated roof, first class material for interior, and thorough construction throughout, all ready for occupancy, but not including furniture, was \$38,000.

PROPOSED HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
RUMFORD MAINE
MILLER & MAYO ARCHTS., PORTLAND.

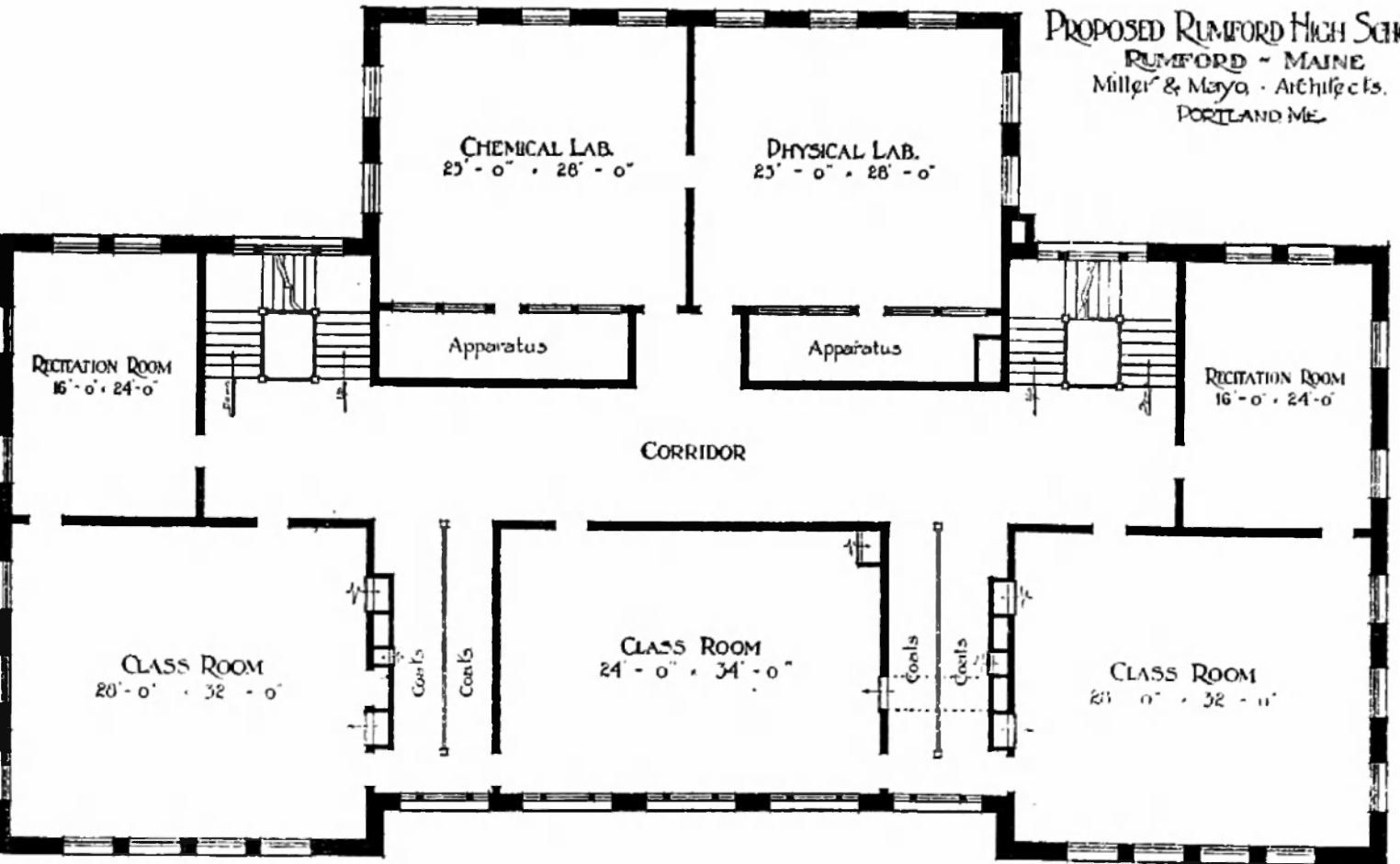


PROPOSED RUMFORD HIGH SCHOOL
 RUMFORD MAINE
 Miller & Mayo Architects
 PORTLAND ME



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

PROPOSED RUMFORD HIGH SCHOOL
 RUMFORD - MAINE
 Miller & Mayo - Architects.
 PORTLAND ME



SECOND FLOOR PLAN

Report of Superintendent of Schools

TO THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF
RUMFORD,

Gentlemen:—My fourth annual report of Rumford school affairs is here presented for your consideration.

During the three and one-half years that I have served as your Superintendent of Schools, no radical change of policy has been made, no fads adopted, no plans or achievements widely advertised. Methods and means, evolutionary rather than revolutionary, have been employed. The results in the main have been as great as we expected; rarely as marked as we had hoped.

While its lines of activity have been many and varied, the controlling purpose of our supervision has been to lay a foundation for the highest type of manhood and womanhood possible for Rumford boys and girls. In attempting the accomplishment of this purpose we have endeavored to secure prompt and regular attendance of all persons of school age; to impress upon parents and children that school work should be regarded *the business of all pupils*; to arrange courses and select text books adapted to the needs of the child; and to provide teachers able and eager not only to train pupils for clear thinking, but to inspire them for right living.

It is not within the scope of this report, nor indeed is it possible, to apply any unit of measure to results ob-

tained along most of these lines. This statement does not apply to results of the effort to secure school attendance of persons of school age. These results are definite and measurable, and probably, are of sufficient interest to warrant further decision.

For the school year ending June 30, 1905 the records show that there were in Rumford 2285 persons between the ages of 5 and 21 years. The total school enrollment for the fall term of that year was 937, or 41%. For the year ending June 30, 1909, there were in town 1774 persons of school age and 1235, 70%, were enrolled in the schools for the fall term. Thus the school enrollment in comparison with the school population increased in four years from 41% to 70%. Expressed in another way, the number of persons in town between 5 and 21 years of age is now 500 less than it was in 1905; but there are over 300 more pupils in the schools.

This proportional increase of attendance if maintained probably will mean a corresponding increase (about 70%) in the average time spent in school by Rumford children.

It is difficult to estimate the real value of lengthening the school life of children nearly 70%. Even the economic value, the worth in dollars and cents, to the individual and to the community, will be greater than most people would estimate.

In Rumford need of the child's possible earnings is the prevailing reason assigned for wishing him to leave school. In view of this fact it seems worth while to consider briefly the relation between actual time of school attendance and wage earning power.

The late Dr. W. T. Harris, while United States Commissioner of Education, made a special study of this

question. He found that each child in Massachusetts received an average of seven years' schooling, while in the whole United States the average per child was only 4.3 years. At the time of the investigation the average earning power of the inhabitants of Massachusetts was 73 cents per day, while for the whole country it was only 40 cents. The ratio of years of school life was 70 to 43; of earning power 73 to 40. Mr Wadlin, late chief of the Massachusetts Labor Bureau, worked out the relations independently and reached almost exactly the same conclusions as Dr. Harris.

While it is true that other conditions than educational qualifications directly affect wage earning power, it is probably true that these other conditions are in turn largely determined by the intellectual training and power of wage earners.

The relation shown above is so marked that we are forced to consider it fundamental. Larger earning power is a result of broader education.

Applying the principle worked out by Dr. Harris, what may be the financial gain to Rumford if the increase of 70% in length of school life be maintained?

In Massachusetts where the school life was represented by 70% as compared with 43% in the whole country, the average earning capacity was 33 cents per day greater. An increase in length of school life in Rumford in the ratio of 41 to 70 (70%) certainly should produce as great an increase in wages. An increase of 33 cents per day means an increase of \$100 per year of each person during his entire productive life, or \$4000 to \$6000 in all. For our 1200 pupils it means \$400 per day, \$12,000 per year, \$600,000 for life. Does it pay for the child prematurely to leave school to go to work?

The class room work throughout the year has been carried on with a noticeable absence of friction and with exceptions noted later, constantly increasing efficiency. A decided advance has been made in bringing the work of the higher grades up to the standard set by the course of study to which we have been steadily conforming our instruction. Constant effort has been made to adapt the work to the needs of the exceptional pupils and within the limits set by our lack of room this effort has been successful

We have a settled policy of selecting each year for special emphasis the subject or subjects in which the results have previously been least satisfactory. During the current year reading and writing are receiving special attention.

Early in the fall term Mr. Ralph Rowe, supervisor of drawing and writing in the Portland schools, accepted an invitation to attend a Saturday meeting of Rumford teachers. Mr Rowe's enthusiasm and his definite suggestions for securing results in teaching penmanship have proved an inspiration and a source of much practical help in this work.

In the discussion of the various topics that appears below, and in the special reports of High School Principal, Supervisor of Music and Drawing, and Truant Officer, which follow, will be found an account of such school activities as may be made a matter of record, and certain recommendations for the work of the coming year.

TEACHERS

It is much to the advantage of the schools that so few changes in the teaching force have been necessary.

One of the important changes was caused by the resignation of Mrs. F. W. Chadbourne, who for several years had been Supervisor of Music and Drawing. By her tactful manner, her pleasing personality and conscientious service, Mrs. Chadbourne had won a large place in the esteem of Rumford parents, teachers and pupils. Her successor is Miss Kathryn E. Brown, of Westfield, Mass.

Miss Brown seems thoroughly well qualified to teach these subjects. She has already won the respect of her associates and the confidence of her pupils to a degree that promises excellent results from her work in this department.

Only two new teachers were engaged for the Fall term in the grades at the Falls. There have been six new teachers in the rural schools. The changes in the High school are noted in the special report of the principal.

An examination of the credentials of the present teaching force shows a higher standard of qualifications than ever before. Of the forty-two different teachers employed during the Fall term, eight are college graduates, two others have had two years of college training, twenty-three are Normal School graduates, and four have had one year of Normal training. In view of the fact that we demand these extended educational qualifications in addition to unquestioned character, refinement and special adaptation to teaching, it is apparent that salaries are not yet commensurate with the demands, especially when the advanced cost of living is considered.

Experience warrants the belief that Rumford will

make a larger appropriation for salaries if it be necessary to secure and retain the best teachers.

ATTENDANCE

Nearly one hundred school children moved out of town during the summer vacation. The number moving into town during the same time was probably less than twenty-five.

The number of different pupils entering our schools during the year was 1292.

The total enrollment for the Fall term was 1206 and the average attendance 1,054. Thus the percentage of attendance has been 88, the same as last year, which is the high water mark for Rumford schools. For this year the percentage does not fairly represent the regularity of attendance, because of the fact that an unusual number of pupils have moved in or out of town during the school terms and the state department of education requires that these be marked "absent" during that part of the term which elapsed before they entered or after they left. (Forty per cent. of the absences recorded for the Fall term were due to this cause). This method of reckoning reduces the percentage of attendance to the apparent discredit of pupils in residence throughout the year.

With the increase in regularity of attendance there has been a marked decrease in the number of cases of truancy.

RURAL SCHOOLS

In some of the rural schools—notably Holland, South Rumford and Rumford Center—continuing under the tried and efficient teachers of last year steady progress has been made and excellent results obtained.

Generally speaking, however, the unsatisfactory conditions reported last year still exist. Parents who approve and enjoy the use of the telephone, improved farm machinery and rural mail delivery, oppose consolidation and conveyance, which are the principal means yet devised for giving children in sparsely settled communities the advantages of association with other children, rivalry in mental attainments and instruction by trained teachers.

The average rural school of twelve or fifteen pupils requires more time and thought in supervision than the graded village school of three times as many pupils. While this apportionment of the Superintendent's time seems unjust to the larger school, under existing conditions it is essential for even the present rate of progress in rural schools.

Difficulties in obtaining suitable boarding places for teachers and in securing prompt and regular attendance of pupils—conditions that might easily be greatly improved by parents—are responsible in a large measure for unsatisfactory results in some schools.

During the year we have completed a round of the rural schools begun three years ago in which we have sought to put all in good repair. The school leagues at Red Hill and Rumford Point, with the co operation of interested friends, have helped materially in this work at those places.

VILLAGE SCHOOLS

Conditions suggested below, under which the work in these schools has been done, have seriously affected the results—especially in the lower grades. Many of these pupils have been able to attend only one session

per day, or its equivalent, and some of them in poorly lighted, ill ventilated, crowded rooms.

Only through the faithful persistent efforts of a corps of unusually efficient teachers has it been possible to make fair progress.

At the Bisbee school the work in manual training, begun last year, has been continued. The results are so favorable and so marked in proportion to the time allotted to this work that the loss attending our inability to introduce it in other schools is increasingly apparent.

Principal Callahan has introduced a form of student government at the Pettengill school which has aroused the interest of parents and pupils and may become an important factor in school management.

During the Winter and Spring terms we were obliged to teach over seven hundred pupils in fourteen rooms (including the old chapel). During the summer two stores and a small hall were leased and fitted up as four additional school rooms to which at the beginning of the Fall term about 140 pupils were assigned. During the year from three to seven schools have run on part time for lack of room. The room for first and second grades at the Pettengill building and that for primary and first grades at Virginia have been badly crowded during the Fall term. In the latter there have been sixty pupils enrolled.

Until a building of suitable size and equipment be provided at Rumford Falls, the health of many of the children there will suffer and the progress of all—especially those in the lower grades and the High school—will be greatly hindered.

HIGH SCHOOLS

The comprehensive report of Principal Douglass makes unnecessary here any extended report of the Falls High School. This school has made excellent progress along all lines not especially restricted by lack of room and equipment.

Your attention is called to the fact that the enrollment has increased even more than was predicted one year ago, and to the large average attendance of over 97%.

The High school at Rumford Point continued under the principalship of Miss Rose Beverage through the Winter and Spring terms. Miss Beverage was then transferred to the Falls High School and Miss Phebe R. Bool, of Cambridge, Mass., succeeded her at the Point.

Miss Bool is a graduate of Bates, and a faithful teacher of high ideals and successful experience.

In response to an urgent request from parents a third year of High School work is being given in this school. The resulting large number of classes and subjects to be taught by one teacher in a measure defeats the purpose to have the work done here of the same grade as that done in the Falls school.

The school is decreasing in numbers and the question of its continued maintenance may well be submitted to the town at its next annual meeting.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

At a meeting of the School Committee held March 5, 1909, Dr. E. M. McCarty was elected medical inspector of schools for the ensuing year. Dr. McCarty already had shown his interest in the work by gratuitously ex-

aming and prescribing for needy children during recent years. He has proved to be the right man for the place.

By advice of the State Department of Education the examination for defects of sight and hearing was postponed until the material to be furnished by the State should be ready for distribution. This was much delayed and the work not begun until about the middle of the Fall term. It has been carried on by the teachers under the direction of the Medical Inspector. The results have been carefully tabulated and placed on file. Of the 767 children already examined 103 have defective sight and 94 defective hearing. In all cases of serious defects parents have been notified and some have shown commendable promptness in seeking a remedy. Many cases of contagious skin diseases and a few of tuberculosis and other serious organic diseases have been discovered. Children, whose physical condition makes them in any way a menace to others, are rigidly excluded. Efforts are made to secure for affected children the necessary medical treatment.

In view of the appalling indifference and neglect sometimes shown by parents it seems a serious defect of the law that refusal to procure or to allow others to procure necessary medical treatment is not punishable, at least by a fine. One woman—she hardly can be called mother—whose child was nearly blind in one eye and subject to severe headaches from eye strain, refused to allow her child to wear the glasses, that had been obtained by a teacher, without cost to the parents. Another, whose child was pale, weak and anemic, racked with coughing and probably tuberculosis, refused to take the child at stated intervals to the medical inspec-

tor, who had offered to keep watch of the case and prescribe for her without charge. When neglect or abuse of a horse or dog is punishable by fine or imprisonment there should be some way of effectively treating such cases of neglect of children.

While attention has thus been called to conditions revealed that demand some remedy not now available, it must not be inferred that medical inspection has accomplished nothing else. Space does not permit an enumeration of the benefits to individuals. It is not exaggeration to affirm that beside the correction of many personal defects there has been an improvement in the physical condition of the entire body of school children.

There is now need of some provision for following cases into the home and helping to inculcate their principles of hygiene and sanitation, to a lack of which may be traced a large majority of the defects noted. Rumford could make no wiser expenditure of public funds than, following the example of certain other progressive towns, the employment of a medical visitor or trained nurse who should give her entire time to the promotion of this form of education in the homes.

Something has been done in this kind of education through the exhibit on tuberculosis prepared by the State Board of Health, which was held in the Chisholm school for three days; and through the distribution in the homes by pupils of the State bulletins on Health of Home and School.

FINANCES

Liberal though Rumford has ever been in making appropriations for maintenance of her schools, many will note with satisfaction the indications of the Financial

statement. The total appropriation by the town in 1907 was \$19,700; in 1908, \$18,500; in 1909, deducting appropriations for Smithville schoolhouse and fire escapes, exceptional items, \$14,600.

It also will be noted that the total of unexpended balances with overdrafts deducted is practically the same as in 1907. To be sure the school and mill tax has been about \$1600 greater during the last two years than in 1907 but in 1908 it was nearly \$1000 less. The financial condition is the more gratifying in that the period has been one of extended repairs upon buildings, liberal provision for class room supplies, higher salaries for teachers, and a large increase in the number of children cared for.

NEEDS

The one great need of Rumford schools, so great that it comprehends nearly all others, is the immediate erection of a suitable High School Building.

This would make possible a supply of the following subordinate needs:

1. An assembly room, laboratories and necessary equipment for the High school and grade IX.
2. The appropriation of the entire Chisholm school for grammar and primary grades, for which it is greatly needed and well adapted.
3. Additional rooms to provide for the overflow in the grades.
4. Opportunities for courses in manual training and domestic science, the greatest need of the Rumford school curriculum.
5. Rooms in which may be organized special schools for care of exceptional pupils.

All of these needs can be supplied in a wooden building which would cost, including lot and equipment, less than \$40,000, or in one of stone, brick and slate less than \$50,000.

Neighboring towns have recently erected buildings far more costly in proportion to their needs and means.

CONCLUSION

In concluding this report may I again acknowledge my appreciation of the confidence and support which have been accorded me during all of the time that I have been identified with Rumford schools. Without this confidence and support so loyally given by committee, teachers, pupils and citizens, very little indeed could have been accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. CHASE,
Superintendent of Schools

Report of Principal of Rumford High School.

RUMFORD, MAINE, February 1, 1910

Mr. Superintendent:

I herewith submit to you my third annual report as principal of the Rumford High School.

The present school year opened with one hundred and seventeen pupils enrolled—an increase of twenty-eight over the highest previous record. Because of the enlarged enrollment it has been impossible for all the pupils to meet together for any general school exercises this year. The largest school room in the building seats fifty-four pupils comfortably. Here we hold our morning exercises where over eighty pupils and teachers come together. The first year class, of thirty-nine pupils, have been assigned to a room on the lower floor of the Chisholm building and have not met with the rest of the pupils in these general exercises.

Our present senior class has twelve members—seven girls and five boys. The standard of scholarship may be inferred from the fact that every member is carrying full senior work, with no conditions in any subject.

Last year three pupils received diplomas from our school—Elizabeth Lowe Clunie, Norma Georgina Gates and Martha Louise Mixer. Each of these young ladies presented a very able paper at the graduating exercises

in June. The Commencement Address was delivered by Principal Drew T. Harthorne of Wilton Academy. Music for the occasion was provided entirely by High School pupils.

After the graduating exercises the alumni of the school gathered at Hotel Rumford for their second annual banquet. At the business meeting which followed Chester G. Bisbee, '98 was elected president for the current year. The enthusiastic loyalty of our alumni, now organized into a permanent association, helps to foster a better school spirit among our students, and to encourage some to finish their regular course who otherwise, perhaps, would drop out of school.

Several new teachers were installed this year. Mr. Charles S. Preble, sub-master and teacher of English and Chemistry, is a graduate of Wesleyan University, and has had considerable experience in teaching in Maine schools before coming to Rumford. The classes in French are in charge of Mrs. Mary J. Keese who has had several years study in France and Germany in addition to her college work in this country at Mount Holyoke. Her thorough training and her previous teaching experience in some of the largest and best schools in New England are producing a very desirable standard of accuracy and thoroughness among her pupils. Miss Rose Beverage, Colby 1907, is the teacher of mathematics, and shares with Mrs. Keese the work of the Latin department. The ninth grade classes, with Freshman Science work, taught by Miss Bertha Bridges during the Winter and Spring terms, are now in charge of Mr. Ernest H. Cole of Colby College. Our teachers are all deeply interested both in their work

in the school and in the development of individual pupils outside of regular school hours.

It is gratifying to find our graduates of recent years holding excellent records in scholarship in leading colleges. Additional evidence of the kind of work done in our school is afforded by the experience of one of our pupils who recently removed from town and entered one of the largest and oldest High schools in Eastern Massachusetts. He was not only as far advanced as were the classes he entered there, but after a month's trial he was pronounced by the principal to be the best prepared student that had come to that school from Maine.

One of the features which has been developed during the past year is a reference library. With the handsome sum of money received from "Tag Day" a large number of extremely useful volumes have been secured and are in constant use by teachers and pupils. Our library room also, with freshly tinted walls, and with books carefully arranged and catalogued, presents a very attractive appearance.

Our general equipment of class rooms, laboratories and other apparatus essential to the best results in teaching is wholly inadequate to our needs. It would be useless, however, for me to enumerate and emphasize the undesirable features which have been so clearly presented in previous reports. There can be no remedy for these conditions until our citizens appreciate the fact that education, character, and training for good citizenship are worth more to our community than some of the material propositions which at present absorb their interest.

For the kind spirit of friendly supervision and helpful criticism shown constantly by you, Mr. Superintendent, I have a deep appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

GAYLORD W. DOUGLASS

Report of the Supervisor of Drawing

Mr. H. J. Chase, Superintendent of Schools:

The work in drawing has, I hope, been as much pleasure to the pupils as it has to the supervisor. We have tried to make it such that the children will feel the delight in their work that is experienced by all who know that they are doing well a thing which they understand.

We are endeavoring to teach children to really see, and then to draw what they see. I wish to thank the superintendent for making it possible for us to work for a solid foundation of good drawing, rather than showy results, which may or may not be the pupils' own work.

In a mill town, where many of the pupils leave school at an early age, it is especially necessary that they should be taught to appreciate beauty in line and color, the enjoyment of which will do so much to refine and enrich their lives. To this end, in the Fall term we learned to know and draw such beautiful things as Autumn flowers, leaves and grasses. We studied colors and the harmony of colors in an effort to grasp the beauty of grayed hues rather than the too brilliant combinations so often used.

In the Winter term the children of the lower grades learn to express themselves by illustrative work, while in the upper grades they study object drawing and the

forms and colors of birds, animals and insects. During the Winter they also study a few good pictures, considering their meanings and the beauty of light and shade.

The Spring work consists of Nature drawing and the study of the principles of design and their application.

In all the schools we are trying to make the work practical, and to correlate it with the work in other subjects.

The class in mechanical drawing in the ninth grade is far too large to do efficient work, but I believe they have learned the need of accuracy in that branch of drawing.

The children are learning to express themselves in different media, thus making the work broader and more interesting. To this end we have had free paper cutting, used colored crayons, pencil and brush and ink, and we hope in time to use water colors in the lower as well as the upper grades.

I have been helped in my work by the interest of pupils and teachers, and by the fact that the children had good foundation work under their former supervisor.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHRYN ELSBETH BROWN

Report of Supervisor of Music

Mr. H. J. Chase, Superintendent of Schools:

In music an endeavor has been made to teach the children to read correctly at sight. To do this we have introduced the Weaver System of Music, which is, I believe, the best ever offered to public schools.

The usual rote songs have been taught in the primary grades and also the technical part of music, upon which we have drilled thoroughly in all the grades.

While children are expected to be able to read English at sight, individually, as well as in concert, the fact is often ignored that a child should as readily give a perfect recitation in the reading of musical exercises or songs. We are endeavoring to bring this about.

During the fall term we spent some time on individual work, in preparation for the individual sight singing exercises which we introduced after Christmas. We expect each child to study and sing a different exercise at every recitation, unaided by the teacher. This develops in the pupil, accuracy, alertness and independence, and the power of concentration and self control. These exercises are being used from the first grade through the sixth, and we expect to put them in the next higher grade each year. The children have responded nobly, and with such enthusiasm that we are obtaining good results.

We have also worked to develop the proper use of the voice and the appreciation of good music.

In the high school we have had weekly lessons with the ninth grade and the freshman class. In this work we hope at least to create a desire for good music, and joy in the working.

I thank the superintendent and teachers most heartily for their co-operation, without which it would be impossible to attain the standard toward which we are striving.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHRYN E. BROWN

HIGH SCHOOL AND GRADE IX

GAYLORD W. DOUGLASS, Principal

<i>Term</i>	<i>Teachers</i>	<i>Yearly Wages</i>
<i>Winter</i> <i>11 weeks</i>	Gaylord W. Douglass	\$1600 00
	Ray F. Thompson	700 00
	Lillian M. Osgood	550 00
	Lillian L. Latham	550 00
	Bertha M. Bridges	432 00
<i>Spring</i> <i>11 weeks</i>	Gaylord W. Douglass	\$1600 00
	Ray F. Thompson	700 00
	Lillian M. Osgood	550 00
	Lillian L. Latham	550 00
	Bertha M. Bridges	432 00
<i>Fall</i> <i>14 weeks</i>	Gaylord W. Douglass	\$1600 00
	Charles S. Preble	750 00
	Mary Jeane Keese	550 00
	Rose Beverage	500 00
	Minnie E. Fernald	432 00

Number of pupils enrolled, Winter, 81, Spring, 78, Fall, 114.

Average number attending, Winter, 76.4, Spring, 74, Fall, 110.6.

Number not absent, Winter, 27, Spring, 35, Fall, 49.

Total cost of instruction for year, \$3798.68

Average cost of instruction per pupil, \$41.74

Common School Statistics.

PETTENGILL SCHOOL.

NELSON W. BROWN, Principal

TERM	No. of weeks	GRADE	TEACHER	Whole No. of Pupils	Average Attendance	No. of Pupils Not Absent	Weekly wages of teacher	Visits by Supt.	Visits by Citizens
Winter	12	8	Nelson W. Brown	40	35.	8	\$22.22	5	12
Spring	10	8	Nelson W. Brown	36	31.	13	22.22	4	
Fall	14	8	Edgar F. Callahan	34	31.	7	22.22	8	2
Winter	12	7	C. Amanda Taylor	39	33.	4	11.00	4	15
Spring	10	7	C. Amanda Taylor	39	33	8	11.00	3	
Fall	14	7	C. Amanda Taylor	39	35.	11	12.00	6	3
Winter	12	6	Flora A. Boyd	49	44.	9	11.50	4	14
Spring	10	6	Flora A. Boyd	46	42	11	11.50	5	4
Fall	14	6	Flora A. Boyd	43	37.	11	12.00	7	1
Winter	12	5	Harriet M. Ellis	42	40.	17	12.50	4	14
Spring	10	5	Harriet M. Ellis	40	38.	17	12.50	4	5
Fall	14	5	Harriet M. Ellis	40	38.	19	12.50	4	6

PETTENGILL SCHOOL-CONTINUED

TERM	No. of weeks	GRADE	TEACHER	Whole No. of Pupils	Average Attendance	No. of Pupils Not Absent	Weekly wages of teacher	Visits by Supt.	Visits by Citizens
Winter	12	4	Mary A. Bridgham	42	37	7	\$12.50	3	2
Spring	10	4	Mary A. Bridgham	31	29.	13	12.50	3	6
Fall	14	4	Mary A. Bridgham	44	40.	14	12.50	8	12
Winter	12	2 & 3	Marjorie Thurston	43	28.	5	10.00	2	35
Spring			See Chisholm School						
Fall			See Pine Street "						
Winter	12	1 & 2	Harriet M. Peasley	39	30.	2	11.50	2	13
Spring	10	1 & 2	Harriet M. Peasley	36	32.	2	11.50	4	7
Fall	14	1 & 2	Harriet M. Peasley	44	39.	6	12.00	5	10
Winter	12	Primary	Ermina Sawtelle	33	25.5	2	10.50	3	17
Spring	10	Primary	Ermina Sawtelle	34	30.9	10	10.50	2	11
Fall			See Pine Street						

CHISHOLM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Winter	12	2 & 3	Margaret Dennett	41	37	7	\$11.00	4	11
Spring	10	2 & 3	Margaret Dennett	36	32.	4	11.00	4	11
Spring	10	3	Marjorie Thurston	36	33	10	10.00	7	11
Fall	14	2 & 3	Margaret Dennett	44	39	12	11.50	3	9
Winter	12	1 & 2	Florence Tilton	47	42	8	10.00	5	18
Spring	10	1 & 2	Florence Tilton	37	30	9	10.00	6	16
Fall			See Waldo Street						
Winter	12	Primary	Rose Matthieu	33	27	3	12.50	2	15
Spring	10	Primary	Rose Matthieu	35	31	9	12.50	2	7
Fall	14	Primary	Rose Matthieu	41	37	2	12.50	6	22

BISBEE SCHOOL

BESSIE B. ALLEN, Principal

Winter	12	5	Bessie B. Allen	28	24.5	6	\$13.89	3	12
Spring	10	5	Bessie B. Allen	36	32.3	13	13.89	2	60
Fall	14	5	Bessie B. Allen	38	35.	9	14.58	4	19
Winter	12	3	Josephine Kennedy	37	33.	6	11 00	2	10
Spring	10	3	Josephine Kennedy	39	35.	9	11.00	3	55
Fall	14	3	Josephine Kennedy	41	37.	10	12.00	3	14
Winter	12	2 & 3	Ethel Matthieu	37	33.	8	12.00	3	29
Spring	10	2 & 3	Ethel Matthieu	38	34.	8	12.00	3	20
Fall	14	2 & 3	Ethel Matthieu	44	37.	10	12.00	4	19
Winter	12		Lillian Rollins	38	30	2	11 00	2	25
Spring	10	1	Lillian Rollins	39	36.8	11	11.00	2	58
Fall	14	1	Lillian Rollins	39	33.	4	11.50	5	20
Winter	12	4 & 5	S. Mertice Gott	34	29.	5	11.50	4	12
Spring			See Island School						
Fall			See Island School						

VIRGINIA SCHOOL

ADDIE I. WILLARD, Principal

TERM	No. of weeks	GRADE	TEACHER	Whole No. of Pupils	Average Attendance	No. of Pupils Not Absent	Weekly wages of teacher	Visits by Supt.	Visits by Citizens
Winter	12	5, 6 & 7	Addie I. Willard	33	30	9	\$12.00	3	14
Spring	10	5, 6 & 7	Addie I. Willard	31	27	11	13.00	3	2
Fall	14	5, 6 & 7	Addie I. Willard	37	32	9	13.20	4	10
Winter	12	Primary & 1	Bessie M. Edwards	39	32.	4	11.50	3	12
Spring	10	Primary & 1	Bessie M. Edwards	45	36.6	6	11.50	3	7
Fall	14	Primary & 1	Bessie M. Edwards	60	51.	6	12.00	4	9
Winter	12	1 & 2	Bessie M. Weston	36	35.	10	11.50	3	4
Spring	10	1 & 2	Bessie M. Weston	37	28.9	6	11.50	3	3
Fall	14	1 & 2	Bessie M. Weston	32	29.	7	12.00	4	6
Winter	12	3 & 4	Edith B. Jordan	32	29.	5	9.25	4	3
Spring	10	3 & 4	Alice M. Monroe	30	28.	11	11.00	3	1
Fall	14	3 & 4	Alice M. Monroe	31	28.	10	11.50	4	32

SMITHVILLE SCHOOL

M. ONA KNAPP, Principal

Winter	13	5, 6 & 7	M. Ona Knapp	22	19.3	4	\$11.00	2	34
Spring	10	5, 6 & 7	M. Ona Knapp	23	20.3	11	11.00	4	6
Fall	14	4, 5 & 7	Harriet Cleveland	24	20	3	11.00	6	17
Winter	13	1, 2, 3 & 4	Sara E. Winslow	29	22	1	9.00	3	21
Spring	10	1, 2, 3 & 4	Margaret Leighton	30	25	2	9.00	4	26
Fall	14	1, 2, 3	May G. Morse	35	25	2	9.00	6	17

COLONIES

ISLAND SCHOOL

Spring	10	4	S. Mertice Gott	29	24.	5	\$11.50	9	6
Fall	14	4	S. Mertice Gott	23	21.	3	12.00	3	2

CHAPEL SCHOOL

Winter	12	2 & 3	Lura Bennett	40	34.	7	\$10.50	2	8
Spring	10	2 & 3	Lura Bennett	35	30.	6	10.50	4	9
Fall	14	2 & 3	Lura Bennett	40	35.	6	11.50	4	17

PINE STREET SCHOOL

Fall	14	3	Marjorie Thurston	27	24.	1	\$11.00	3	20
Fall	14	Primary	Margaret Leighton	47	39.	4	10.50	3	7

WALDO STREET SCHOOL

Fall	14	Primary	Florence Tilton	38	30.	9	\$10.50	4	9
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RURAL SCHOOLS.

TERM	No. of Weeks	TEACHER	Whole No. of pupils	Average Attendance	No. of pupils Not absent	Weekly Wages of teacher	Visits by Supt.	Visits by Citizens
THURSTON SCHOOL								
Winter		United with Rumford Center						
Spring	9	Villa I. Gammon	12	11.4	4	\$ 7.50	1	16
Fall	12	Villa I. Gammon	11	10.	4	7.50	2	14
HOWE								
Winter	16	Annie Perkins	12	9		\$ 9.00	3	16
Spring	9	Annie Perkins	15	12	5	9.00	2	21
Fall	11	Mary L. Knight	13	11		9.00	3	12
ABBOTT								
Winter	12	Marion Kimball	11	8	1	\$ 8.00	2	5
Spring	8	Lydia Abbott	13	10.		7.50	2	17
Fall	12	Alice B. Merrill	17	12.		7.00	2	1
RUMFORD CORNER								
Winter		United with Rumford Point Primary						
Spring	10	Grace M. Parsons	10	9.		\$ 7.00	2	20
Fall	12	Grace M. Parsons	11	9.3	2	7.50	2	10
RED HILL								
Winter	10	Bertha Whittermore	15	10.7	1	\$ 8.50	2	4
Spring	12	Maude Bridges	20	16.6	4	8.50	2	9
Fall	12	Ella M. Walker	16	12	3	7.50	2	6

RUMFORD POINT**HIGH SCHOOL****ROSE BEVERAGE, Principal**

Winter	1	Rose Beverage	18	14.	2	\$12.00	3	4
Spring	10	Rose Beverage	16	14	2	12.00	2	3
Fall	12	Phebe R. Bool	13	12.	2	10.62	2	6

PRIMARY

Winter		Alice G. Lee	19	17.1		\$10.00	3	2
Spring	10	Alice G. Lee	13	9	4	10.00	2	3
Fall	12	Martha T. Cushman	18	15.1	3	9.00	2	9

RUMFORD CENTER

Winter	13	Rena F. Hoyt	20	17	2	\$ 8.50	3	26
Spring	9	Rena F. Hoyt	17	14	2	8.50	2	6
Fall	12	Rena F. Hoyt	22	20	3	9.00	2	19

SOUTH RUMFORD

Winter	12	Rosa Littlefield	26	17.	3	\$ 9.00	2	1
Spring	10	Rosa Littlefield	29	21	4	9.00	4	2
Fall	11	Rosa Putnam	26	18.	3	9.00	2	1

HOLLAND

Winter	12	Marion C. Dyer	18	13	3	\$ 9.00	1	5
Spring	10	Marion C. Dyer	24	20	7	9.00	2	4
Fall	12	Marion C. Dyer	28	22	2	9.50	2	17

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Winter	12	Mrs. Edith Burgess	23	22	5	\$ 9.50	2	26
Spring	10	Mrs. Edith Burgess	32	24.	7	9.50	2	2
Fall	12	Allie F. Osgood	22	17	5	10.00	4	1

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

MR. H. J. CHASE, SUPERINTENDENT:

Herewith is a report of the cases investigated by your Truant Officer for the Fall term of school 1909.

L. L. NILES, *Truant Officer*

SCHOOL	GRADE	Cases Investigated	Boys	Girls	Excusable Absences	Sickness	Insufficient Clothing	Other Excusable Absences	Inexcusable Absences	Work at Home	Work in Mill	Truant	No Reason Assigned	Returned to School by Officer	Parents Warned
CHISHOLM.....	Prim.	4	2	2	3									1	
	2 & 3	7	6	1	4				2		1				
PETTENGILL.....	1	9	4	5	4	4			1						
	2														
	3														
	4	2	1	1	1	1									
	5	3	2	1	1	1	1			3			1	*	
	6	6	1	5	1	1							4	1	
	7	5	2	3	1	1			2	1					
BISBEE.....	8	9	9			4		2				3			
	1	1	1				1								
	2	3		3			2			1					
	3	7	3	4	3	1			2	1					
	4	3		3			2					1			
	5														
CHAPEL.....	2														
	3	12	4	8		3	2	3	1	3					
VIRGINIA.....															
PINE STREET.....	Prim.	4	3	1		1							2	1	
	3	3	2	1			1						1	1	
WALDO STREET.....		3	2	1		3									
SMITHVILLE.....															1
SOUTH RUMFORD.....															1
Total Cases		81	42	39											

NOTE:—Two different officers served during the Winter and Spring terms. They did not make a report; but data on file in the office of the Superintendent shows that 275 cases of absence were investigated, for which the causes assigned were of the nature and in about the same proportion as those specified above.

*One boy sent to Reform School for truancy.

Financial Statement

	Balance January 1909	Appropriated March	State Appropriation	Received from other sources	Total available Fund	Total Expenditure	Unexpended Balance
Common School	\$ 3,016 06	\$ 8,500 00	\$ 7,261 83	\$ 203 80	\$18,981 69	\$18,692 05	\$ 289 64
Books	322 95	1,000 00		29 00	1,351 95	797 77	554 18
Supplies	368 97	800 00		16 47	1,185 44	1,064 09	121 35
Repairs	36 93	800 00		6 48	843 41	691 61	151 80
High School	1,464 95	2,500 00	250 00	210 00	4,424 95	3,266 68	1,058 27
Superintendence	322 11	800 00	†994 91		2,117 02	1,887 84	229 18
Insurance	*8 35	400 00			391 65	300 62	91 03
New Buildings	*4,319 36	4,500 00		128 80	309 44	416 74	*107 30
Miscellaneous	61 88	200 00			261 88	96 77	165 11
Special S. Acct.						602 34	
Fire Escape		1,500 00			1,500 00	516 18	983 82
Medical Inspect'n		100 00			100 00	38 00	62 00
Total	\$ 1,266 41	\$20,600 00	\$ 8,506 74	\$ 594 55	\$31,467 43	\$28,470 69	\$3,599 08

*Overdrafts. These are deducted from totals of unexpended balances.

†This includes \$200 of the appropriation for 1907 paid in 1909.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

OXFORD SS.

STATE OF MAINE.

To James A. McMennamin, a Constable in the town of Rumford, in said County.

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 Wigwam in Rumford Falls, in said Town, on the first Monday in March, the Seventh day at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, TO WIT:

Article 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2nd. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3rd. To choose Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 4th. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 5th. To establish a rate per cent of salary for collecting taxes and to choose a Collector for the ensuing year.

Art. 6th. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Art. 7th. To choose one or more members of the School Committee for the ensuing year.

Art. 8th. To choose a Town Auditor for the ensuing year.

Art. 9th. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 10th. To see if the Town will vote to grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, to purchase books, to repair school houses, to care for the poor, to pay Town debt and interest, to repair roads and bridges, and to pay all miscellaneous expenses, and defray all other Town charges.

Art. 11th. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary of all Town Officers.

Art. 12th. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount on all taxes paid before a specified time, or charge interest on all taxes unpaid after a specified time or both, and to raise a sufficient sum of money to defray the discount voted.

Art. 13th. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges.

Art. 14th. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Free High School as established and raise money for the support of same.

Art. 15th. To see if the Town will vote "yes" or "no" upon the adoption of the provisions of chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907, as amended by chapter 69, Public Laws of 1909, relating

to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to state aid for highways for the year 1910.

Art 16th. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, in addition to the amounts regularly raised and appropriated for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the sum of \$1000.00, being the maximum amount which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of chapter 112, of the P L of Maine for the year 1907, as amended by chapter 69, Public Laws of 1909.

Art. 17th. To see what additional sum the Town will vote to raise by taxation for the State road, and direct how same shall be expended.

Art, 18th. 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.

Art. 19th. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Grammar and High School at Rumford Point.

Art. 20th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the Rumford Public Library.

Art. 21st. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to provide for medical examination of school children.

Art. 22nd. To see what action the Town will take to provide additional schoolroom.

Art. 23rd. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to build a fence around the Wyman Cemetery.

Art. 24th. To see if the Town will vote to grant and raise the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars to erect a Monument and build a fence around the Burial place of the Keyes Family on the Walker Farm at Rumford Corner.

Art. 25th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to grant and raise to assist Geo. D. Bisbee Camp, Sons of Veterans to erect a Soldier's Monument at Rumford Falls.

Art. 26th. To see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk on south side of Bridge Street from Corner of Prospect Avenue to Bridge at Morse's Mill and raise money for same.

Art. 27th. To see if the town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to make transfers from one appropriation to another.

Art. 28th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the abatement of taxes.

Art. 29th. To see if the Town will vote to build a plank sidewalk on the northerly side of Penobscot Street commencing at the intersection of Oxford Avenue, thence forth to Rumford Avenue and raise money for same.

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 on applications claiming the right to have their names entered upon the

said list at Selectmen's office at Rumford Falls, Saturday, March 5th, A. D. 1910.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February A. D., 1910.

Signed:

R. L. MELCHER,

H. C. FRENCH,

L. H. VEILLEUX,

Selectmen of Rumford.

A true copy—Attest:

JAMES A. McMENNAMIN, *Constable of Rumford.*