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Town Officers.

TOWN CLERK:

George S. Webb.

SELECTMEN:

Isaac Dyer, Horace Eaton, Llewellyn Goodwin.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS:

Samuel A. Bickford.

TOWN PHYSICIAN:

John N. Merrill.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

George Cushing, S. A. Patten, S. A. Bickford.

CONSTABLES:

S. A. Bickford, H. H. Tufts, W. H. Hanson.

TOWN AGENT:

Edward N. Merrill.

AUDITOR:

Frank A. Nolin.

We herewith submit to the voters of Skowhegan the sixty-sixth annual report of the condition and financial standing of the town. Perhaps there is no necessity for us to state that the expenditures necessarily increase from year to year as the town increases in population. Improvements are demanded and if made, expenses are incurred. Drainage is a matter that demands the serious consideration of the town. It is the opinion of sanitarians, that much of the sickness in town the past year was owing to foul air caused by stagnant water in low lands. If this is so, attention should be given to the matter by competent judges and the necessary remedies applied to relieve the town of future liabilities to epidemics.

Drainage at the Park School House should be attended to at an early date as the water closets in the basement cannot be used as at present constructed.

The bridge over the Wesserunsett at "Malbon's Mills" is in a bad condition and should be rebuilt as soon as practicable. A culvert near Uriah Foss's on "Back Road" is gradually filling up and is liable to be the cause of serious damage to the road bed if not repaired at an early date.

The wall on the side of Elm street near Dr. Couant's office is in bad condition and will have to be rebuilt or repaired in the near future.

Having the above specified requirements in view we have thought it practicable to have some stone landed at the vacant school house lot on North Avenue and some near Uriah Foss's in the south part of the town. We also had quite an amount of small stone deposited on the lot on North Avenue for street repairing. All of which has been attended with some expense but we thought the expenditures prudent to make, that the improvements that might have to be made could be attended to at an early date in the spring.

The macadamizing of the streets in the village as commenced, we recommend to be continued to a limited extent, from year to year, until the main streets are put in such a condition as will relieve the town of being the *muddiest* place in the County during the spring and autumn.

SELECTMEN.

Selectmen's Report.

ASSESSMENTS.

Highways	\$6,000 00	
Bridges and Culverts	500 00	
Snow Roads	500 00	
Town Expenses and Support of Poor	5,500 00	
Schools	4,500 00	
Memorial Hall	5,000 00	
School House Snow District	600 00	
Text Books	250 00	
Cemeteries	100 00	
Memorial Day	100 00	
Interest on \$16,000 bonds	640 00	
State Tax	5,658 15	
County Tax	2,285 16	
Bills Payable	3,333 33	
Interest on same	166 65	
		<u>\$35,133 29</u>
Overlaying		626 86
		<u>\$35,760.15</u>

VALUATION.

Real Estate	\$1,672,590	
Supplemental	7,360	
Personal Estates	1,132,206	
Supplemental	2,410	
		<u>\$2,814 566</u>

TAX.

Rate \$11.50 per \$1,000	\$32,255 15	
1402 Polls at \$2.50	3,505 00	
		<u>\$35,760 15</u>
33 " supplemental		82.50
Real and Personal Supplemental		84.64
113 Dogs		112 00
		<u>\$36,040.29</u>

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand February 20th 1889,.....		\$2,575.22
Money hired,.....	\$20,000 00	
Liquor agency,.....	599 39	
Sales from Town Farm,.....	87 75	
S. E. Morrell, towards son's support.	20 00	
{ Circus license \$25, auctioneers \$4,.....		
{ Peddlers \$16,.....	45 00	
City Park grass,	5 00	
Z. Vaughan, Sheriff, "empties" sold,.....	1 60	
Sundry, towns refund, Poor acct.,.....	57 93	
C. M. Lambert, " " "	6 86	
Est. J. E. Richardson, refund Poor acct.,.....	17 00	
S. A. Bickford, Collector non resident, Taxes 1888, ..	127 23	
S. A. Bickford, Collector, for 1889,.....	35,888 10	
State Treasurer, Armory rent, Eighteen months,...	150 00	
State Treasurer, High School fund,.....	250 00	
" " School fund and mill tax,.....	2,594.77	
" " R. R. and telephone tax,.....	873 25	
" " R. R. tax due towns, for 1884-5-6,..	9 75	
State Treasurer refunds pensions,.....	336 00	\$61,069.63
		<u>\$63,644.85</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Interest on borrowed money,.....	\$1,075 40
Support of poor off the farm in 1888,.....	305 04
Support of poor off the farm in 1889,.....	} 2,646 51
Amount due from others and to be refunded, 740.98 }	
Expenses on Town farm,.....	475 98
Overseer's salary \$310, paid.....	182 50
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	\$3,304.99
Insane Asylum,.....	645 60
Eye and Ear Infirmary,.....	128 10
Reform School (\$64.57 due from Thorndike).....	89 00
Tramps,.....	33 75
School houses (construction acct.).....	6,602 02
" Teachers, Janitors, Heating etc.....	8,941 22
" Books,.....	235 64
" Tuition, town of Canaan,.....	14 00
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	\$9,180.86
School house built, (B. R. Snow district).....	600 00
" " plan,.....	2 00
" " Insurance,.....	280 80
Target ground \$10, Armory rent one year \$175.....	185 00
Highways (including stock on hand \$200 31).....	6,260 66
Bridges and culverts (including stock on hand estimated \$131),	464 49
Snow bills 1888-9,.....	326 45
Electric Light on Long Bridge,.....	50 60
E. Caouet, land damage moving buildings on West Street near Catholic cemetery,.....	150 00
Cemeteries,.....	100 00
Use of receiving tomb (two years),.....	30 00
Expended interest on R. E. Lyon, cemetery deposit,.....	3 00
Memorial Day,.....	100 00
" Room in Free Public Library,.....	5,000 00
E. F. Goodwir obtaining names of Skowhegan soldiers during war of the Rebellion,.....	57 00
Loans paid,.....	11,800 00
Town Officers bills etc., (see detailed statement).....	1,863 39
J. O. Smith & Co., printing Town report, 1888-9,.....	48 55
Stationery, Janitor and incidental expenses,.....	110 86
Coburn heirs for 4-10 grass two years on City Park,.....	16 28
Six State Pensioners,.....	336 00
Abatements on 1888 taxes,.....	15 64
" " 1889 ".....	962 99
Paid Town Order No. 82 of 1888,.....	20 00
State Tax,.....	5,658 15
County Tax,.....	2,285 16
Cash on hand February 20, 1889.....	5,553 37
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	\$63,644.85

TOWN OFFICERS, ETC.

Isaac Dyer, Selectman,	\$450 00
H. Eaton, "	200 00
L. Goodwin, "	175 00
Clerk hire on State valuation report,	40 00
Dr. J. N. Merrill, Physician for poor,	40 00
E. N. Merrill, Town agent,	10 00
Merrill & Coffin, legal services,	52 00
Geo. S. Webb, Town Clerk, recording births and deaths,	8 56
Geo Cushing, Treasurer,	40 00
" " Board of Health,	10 00
Dr S. A. Patten, Board of Health,	12 25
S. A. Bickford, Board of Health,	11 50
" " Truant Officer,	20 00
" " Supervisor of schools,	313 25
" " Collector,	451 83
S. W. Gould, Auditor 1888-9,	10 00
F. A. Nolin, Auditor School house building Committee,	19 00
	<hr/> \$1,863.39

LIQUOR AGENCY.

Received from sales.....	\$3,117 03
Paid State Liquor Commissioner.....	\$1,921 29
" Agent's Salary.....	313 00
" Freight, Packages, Heating and Sundries,	139 35
" Rent to March 10th., 1890 less sub-lease,.. . .	144 00
" Town Treasurer.....	599 39
	<hr/> \$3,117.03
Stock on hand Feb'y 20, 1890.....	100.42
" " " Feb'y 20, 1889.....	143.74

SUPPORT OF POOR.

FARM ACCOUNT.

Stock and supplies on hand February 20, 1889,.....	\$684 14
Overseer's Salary (\$182 50 paid).....	310 00
Supplies and expenses 1889-90,.....	475 98
	<hr/> \$1470 12
Sales from farm,.....	87 75
Stock etc. on hand February 20, 1890,.....	780 75
680 weeks board of inmates and,.....	
Overseers family, 88 1-2 cents per week,.....	601 62
	<hr/> \$1470 12

POOR OF TOWN

Blanchet, Peter.....	\$ 91 38
Berry, Isaac.....	13 25
Clukey, Mrs.....	55 75
Clukey, Maurice.....	52 90
Clark, Horace.....	11 15
Clukey, John.....	6 00
Clark, James.....	41 10
Cary, Moses.....	71 00
Cole, Edwin.....	75 60
Dulac, Hiram.....	22 50
Doloff, George.....	52 00
Davis, Ann.....	52 31
Dixon, George.....	6 00
Dore, Joseph.....	6 00
Dutell, James.....	35 40
Foster, John C. (Insane).....	139 97
Fortier, Mrs. J.....	135 50
Fortier, Joseph.....	12 55
Gallean, Frank.....	61 29
Gage, Mrs.....	50 00
Gould, Ed.....	2 00
Getchell, Mrs. Simon.....	26 00
Getchell, John.....	20 00
Gilman, Rufus.....	28 00
Hilton, Hannah.....	580 28
Hadegan, Rebecca.....	3 50
Ireland, Hannah.....	72 00
Lombard, Mr.....	25 50
Latulippe, Louis.....	4 00
Lessor, Joseph.....	8 00
Lapoint,.....	189 90
McMann, John.....	60 50
Morrell, Edward P.....	127 50
Mullen, Alice.....	4 30
Mitchell, Jotham.....	42 18
Murray, Dan.....	11 00
Murray, Philip.....	2 40
Parks, George.....	52 50
Pooler, John.....	6 50
Robinson, Jefferson.....	97 20
Richardson, Jason E.....	28 00
Symonds, Annie.....	129 24
Stearns, William.....	32 00
Stearns, Truman.....	15 50
Trucotte, Thomas, (Insane).....	112 42
Trucotte, Mrs. Thomas.....	140 95
Tibbett, Mrs.....	11 16
Taylor, William.....	45 50
Toulouse, Lucy.....	25 00
Vigue, Lucy.....	107 05
Varney, Mrs.....	69 00
Vigue, Augustus.....	23 00
Vigue, John.....	37 43
Warren, Willie.....	51 57
Walsh, Children.....	12 00
Young, Joseph W.....	6 00

HIGHWAYS.

Amount assessed.....	\$6,000 00
“ overdrawn.....	260 66
“ expended (includes stock on hand \$200.31).....	<u>\$6,260.66</u>

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Amount assessed.....	\$500 00
“ expended (includes stock on hand estimated \$131).....	464.49
“ unexpended.....	<u>\$35.51</u>

SNOW ROADS.

Amount assessed.....	\$500 00
“ expended 1888-89.....	326 45
“ unexpended.....	<u>\$173 55</u>

SCHOOL BOOKS

Amount assessed.....	\$250.00
“ expended.....	225 64
“ “ not paid.....	16 00
	<u>241.64</u>
Amount unexpended.....	<u>8.36</u>

SCHOOLS.

Amount assessed	\$4,500 00
“ of borrowed money (vote of Dec. 31, '89)	
to be assessed next year	1,400 00
School Fund and Mill Tax	2,594 77
High School Fund	250 00
Unexpended balance last year	1,113 04
	<u>\$9,857.81</u>
Paid School Teachers, Janitors, heating, etc.	8,941 22
Tuition paid town of Canaan	14 00
	<u>8,955.22</u>
Unexpended balance this year	<u>\$902.59</u>

For Liabilities see report of Supervisor of Schools.

LIABILITIES OF TOWN.

For borrowed money	\$21,400 00
Maine Insane Hospital, estimated	85 00
State Reform School	18 00
Support of Geo. Dolloff	26 00
“ “ Manny McFadden (due Bingham)	9 55
Accrued interest about	150 00
Unexpended balance due Schools	902 59
	<hr/> \$22,591.14

RESOURCES.

Due from town of Thorndike (acct. Reform School)	\$64 57
“ “ “ “ Starks in 1888 (liability acknowledged)	49 00
“ “ “ “ Norridgewock,	28 00
“ “ “ “ Athens,	97 70
“ “ Estate of Hannah Hilton,	566 28
“ “ Jno. A. Hill, pasturing on lot near Great Eddy.	6 00
Non-Resident Taxes estimated, not yet turned over to town by collector,	300 00
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	5,553 37
	<hr/> 6664 92
Net liabilities of town,	<hr/> \$15,926.22

ESTIMATES FOR 1890—1.

Interest,	910 00
Highways,	6,000 00
Bridges and Culverts,	2,000 00
Snow Roads,	500 00
Support of Poor and Town Expenses,	5,500 00
Loans payable by vote of town,	3,333 33
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First Payment on bonds is due May, 1891,	3,200 00

Respectfully Submitted.

ISAAC DYER,	} Selectmen of Skowhegan.
HORACE EATON,	
L. GOODWIN,	

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the receipts and expenditures of the Selectmen for the year ending Feb'y 20, 1890, and find them correct.

F. A. NOLIN, Auditor.

Coburn Charity Bequest.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

1889		
Mar. 2	Cash on hand as per last Report,	\$215 00
May, 1	Me. Central R. R. Bonds, Int. on \$10,000,	350 00
May, 10	Skowhegan Hall Association Div. on 25 shares,	75 00
July, 1	Shoe & Leather Bank, Auburn, Div. on 16 shares,	56 00
July, 1	Ist. Nat. Bank, Fairfield, Div. on 24 shares,	84 00
Oct. 1	Me. Central R. R. Bonds, Int. on \$10,000,	350 00
Nov. 1	Skowhegan Hall Association Div. on 25 shares,	75 00
1890		
Jan. 1	Shoe & Leather Bank, Auburn, Div. on 16 shares,	56 00
Jan. 1	Ist. Nat. Bank, Fairfield Div. on 24 shares,	84 00
Jan. 1	Ist. Nat. Bank, Portland, Div. on 3 shares,	6 00
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		\$1,351.00

PAYMENTS.

1889		
June, 1	Check to Woman's Aid Society,	\$250 00
July, 1	Check to Woman's Aid Society,	250 00
Oct. 1	Check to Woman's Aid Society,	250 00
1890		
Jan. 1	Check to Woman's Aid Society,	250 00
Jan. 1	Ist. Nat. Bank, Portland, 3 shares, bought,	301 50
Mar. 2	Cash on hand,	49 50
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		\$1,351.00

COBURN CHARITY BEQUEST AS INVESTED MARCH, 2D. 1890.

Description of Security.	Par Value.	Cost.	Carried At.
Me. Central R. R. Bonds 7s 1912,	\$10,000.00	\$13,200.00	\$12,528.00
S. & L Bank, Auburn, 16 shares,	1,600.00	1,840.00	1,840.00
Ist. Bank, Fairfield, 24 shares.	2,400.00	2,832.00	2,832.00
Skow. Hall, Association, 25 shares,	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Ist. Nat. Bank, Portland, 3 shares,	300.00	301.50	300.00
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	\$16,800.00	\$20,673.50	\$20,000.00

R. B. SHEPHERD. Treasurer.

Woman's Aid Society.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF SKOWHEGAN BY THE TREASURER OF "SKOWHEGAN WOMAN'S AID SOCIETY."

1890,		
Feb. 25.	By cash balance Feb'y. 1889,	\$ 173 95
	“ “ interest from the Coburn fund,	1,000 00
	“ “ from a friend,	4 80
		—————\$1,178.75
To paid 124 orders voted by the Executive board of the society, and signed by the President and Secretary, the items of which will be shown in the report of the Secretary or the society;		
		\$995 37
Cash balance to new account,		183 38
		—————\$1,178.75
Skowhegan, Feb. 25th 1890.		

MARY R. PHILBRICK, Treasurer.

Woman's Aid Society.

REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1890.

Number of meetings of the Executive Board,	24
“ “ families asking aid,	76
“ “ “ aided,	63
“ “ orders voted by the Executive Board of the Society and signed by the President and Secretary,	124
Number of families aided with money,	29
“ “ “ “ “ dry goods and groceries.	25
“ “ “ “ “ wood and coal,	8
“ “ “ “ “ boots and shoes,	14

Have paid the board of one person the full year, and house rent of one family the full year.

Articles of second-hand clothing contributed by residents of the town, have been distributed as follows :

Coats,	13	Hats, caps and hoods,	21
Pants and vests,	20	Shawls,	2
Quilts and comforters,	7	Aprons,	12
Jackets and cloaks,	23	Skirts,	10
Dresses,	49	Handkerchiefs,	12
Shirts,	17	Carpet,	1
Undervests and drawers.	44	pr. Rockingchair,	1
Hose,	48	“ Nightdresses,	9
Gloves and mittens,	7	“ Suits of clothes.	2
Boots, shoes and rubbers,	31	“ Sheets and pillowcases.	10

MARY E. PAGE, Secretary.

❖ ANNUAL REPORT ❖

OF THE

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS

OF SKOWHEGAN, ME.

THE SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING REPORT FOR
THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 1890.

Amount of money reported as unexpended last year, ..	\$1,395 91
Amount raised by town for common schools,	4,000 00
Amount raised by town for free High school,	500 00
Received from State on account of free High school, .	250 00
Received from State school fund and mill tax,	2,594 77
Received from town of Norridgewock,	17 88
	—————\$10,158.56

Expended for teaching,	\$7,121 76
“ “ fuel,	1,132 27
“ “ repairs on houses,	308 05
“ “ care of houses,	498 44
“ “ conveying scholars,	201 86
Miscellaneous expenses,	241 35
Amount expended,	654 83
	—————\$10,158.56

The amount reported last year as unexpended, was nearly all expended in paying bills contracted before the present supervisor entered upon his duties. The amount here reported as expended, covers all bills

contracted during the school year. It will be remembered that the Supervisor is not reporting the amount of money actually paid by the town, for that he has no means of knowing. He approves bills, some one else pays them. He is reporting his expenditures—the amount the town has paid and will be obliged to pay on account of any contract made by him. And the above amount covers every thing except possibly two or three little bills, not in all exceeding ten or a dozen dollars, which have not been presented.

More than three fourths of the scholars in town, attend the graded schools in the village. In the rural portion of the town, the scholars are scattering, and in some localities it is impossible to get scholars enough together to make a school reasonably profitable and economical, except to reach out over a large territory and draw scholars from quite a distance. That places something of a burden upon those living far away from the school, but that has been lightened in a great measure by hiring scholars living at an unreasonable distance from school, to walk, conveyed to and from school. By so doing the number of schools has been reduced from seventeen under the old district system, to an average of eleven, three terms each. A saving of six schools. The expense of running six schools twenty-six weeks each; according to the best estimate that can be made, for teachers, fuel and care of houses, amounts to \$1025.00. There has been paid during the year for conveying scholars, \$201.86. Making a saving of \$823.14 by doing away with six schools and the consequent increased number of scholars in the eleven schools improved them, rather than otherwise, for the more scholars in a school, up to a certain number, the better.

The advantage, financially, of getting together as many scholars in one school, as one teacher can well instruct, may be seen by comparing two schools.

The average attendance for the year in the Jewett St. School is 37.

The average attendance for the year, in school known as 4 and 8 South, is 11.

The cost per scholar, for teaching twenty six weeks in the first named school, is \$5.40—in the latter, \$17.45.

Whole number scholars attending Graded schools, Spring term, .	646
Ungraded schools, Spring term,	148
Total,	794
Graded schools, Fall term,	626
Ungraded schools, Fall term,	162
Total,	788

Graded schools, Winter term,	589
Ungraded schools, Winter term,	142
Total,	— 731
Average number attending Graded schools, Spring term,	522
Ungraded schools, Spring term,	128
Total,	— 650
Graded schools, Fall term,	515
Ungraded schools, Winter term,	130
Total,	— 645
Graded schools, Winter term,	462
Ungraded schools, Winter term,	110
Total,	— 572

The schools during the past year have been under the instructions of teachers as follows :

HIGH SCHOOL—Spring term, Mr. Walter H. Davis, A. B. Principal.

Miss M. B. Cushing Assistant. Mrs. Alice S. Mitchell, 2d, Assistant. During the summer vacation Miss Cushing resigned on account of her health, and the fall term commenced with Mr. Davis, Principal, Mr. Ernest Walker, Assistant. Mrs. Alice S. Mitchell 2d, Assistant. During the term Mr. Davis on account of failing health was obliged to resign and Mr. Walker, the assistant, was promoted to principal, and Miss Winiford Ware was elected Assistant. At the close of the Fall term, Miss Ware resigned, and the Winter term has been in charge of Mr. Ernest Walker, Principal. Miss Fannie E. Hoyt, Assistant. Mrs. Alice S. Mitchell 2d, Assistant. Notwithstanding the many breakes and changes, in the board of instruction during the year, in this school a good degree of interest has been maintained.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL—Miss Dora P. Cleveland, Principal. Miss Annie B. Ward, Assistant.

2ND GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—Leavitt St., Miss Annie L. Goodwin. Park House, Miss Carline Cayford.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS—Leavitt St. Spring and Fall term, Miss M. E. Pollard. Winter term, Miss Addie M. Swain. Old Academy. Spring and Fall terms, Miss Alice Fletcher. Winter term, Miss Bell Hutchinson.

2ND PRIMARY SCHOOLS—Leavitt St., Miss Z. A. Pierce. Old Academy, Miss Alice M. Bray.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS—Jewett St., Miss M. E. Ward. Pleasant St., Miss Annie Barbeau. Leavitt St., Miss Annie Russell. West Front St., Mrs. M. E. Lumsden. Mechanic St., Spring term, Miss Helen M. Hoxie, Mrs. L. W. Healey. Fall and Winter terms, Mrs. M. M. Rawles. Park House, Mrs. L. W. Healey.

UNGRADED SCHOOLS—No. 2 North. Spring and Fall terms taught by Miss Bell Hutchinson. Winter term by Miss Lena Wyman.

No. 3 North. The three terms taught by Miss Della Ames, except about two weeks in the fall by Mr. Cain.

No. 7 North. The Spring and Fall terms taught by Miss Sadie Toby and the Winter term by Miss M. H. Toby.

No. 8 North. Spring term taught by Miss Blanche Goodrich. Fall term by Miss Lena Wyman.

No. 9 North, Spring term taught by Mrs. C. I. Boardman. Fall Miss Annie Allen. Winter Mr. Justin Ames.

No. 11 North. The three terms taught by Miss E. B. Judkins.

No. 12 North. Spring and Fall terms taught by Miss Flora Fletcher. Winter term by Miss Annie Ames.

No. 2 South. The three terms taught by Mr. I. S. Salley.

No. 3 South. But one term, taught by Miss Eola Bray.

Nos. 4 and 8 South. All three terms taught by Miss Olive Harris.

Nos. 5 and 9 South. Only two terms, Spring and Fall, taught by Miss L. M. Allen.

No. 6 South. The three terms taught by Miss Ruth Cushing.

No. 7 South. A Fall term only, taught by Miss Myrtie Harris.

The teachers have all manifested a good degree of interest in their schools, and as a general thing have been reasonably successful, and the scholars have made very fair progress.

During the Spring term there were eleven ungraded schools, summer term thirteen and winter term nine, equal to eleven schools each term, where under the old district system seventeen schools were run each term. It has been the intention to give the ungraded, 2d Primary

and Primary schools each,.....	26 weeks
Intermediate each,.....	28 "
2d. Grammer each,.....	30 "
Grammar,.....	32 "

And any variation from that, has been owing to sickness or other accident. The four schools in the Leavitt St. house, had a long spring term to make up time lost while building.

SCHOOL BOOK ACCOUNT.

Amount raised by Town for Books for 1889.\$250.00

AMOUNT EXPENDED:

36 Montieith's Phys. Geog.,	.83 1-3.....	\$30 00
30 Chittenden's Composition,	.50.....	15 00
16 Barnes' United States Histories	.90.....	14 40
18 Meservey's Book-keeping,	.72.....	12 96
59 Fish's Arithmetic, No. 2,	.50.....	29 50
5 Second-hand Fish's Arithmetic	.35.....	1 75
3 " " "	.25.....	75
45 Swinton's Grammar,	.42.....	18 90
2 Second-hand Swinton's Gram.,	.30.....	60
12 Warren's B. C. Geography,	.80.....	9 60
9 Warren's Primary "	.40.....	3 60
24 Robinson's 1st Book Arithmetic	.20 5-6.....	5 00
3 Second-hand Arithmetic,	.10.....	30
8 Harrington's Spellers Complete	.15.....	1 20
2 " " " "	.17.....	34
2 Second-hand " "	.10.....	20
40 Lippincott's Third Readers,	.36 2-3.....	14 67
12 " " " "	.37.....	4 44
3 Second-hand " "	.30.....	90
50 Lippincott's Second Readers,	.27 1-2.....	13 75
2 " " " "	.28.....	56
60 " First "	.16 2-3.....	10 00
88 Harrington's Spellers,	.11.....	9 63
8 Child's Book of Nature,	.75.....	6 00
6 Chart Primers,	.12.....	72
2 Webster's Dictionary Un- abridged,	8.00.....	16 00
Express on above.....		5 64
1 Educational Chart.....		15 00
Amount unexpended.....		8 54

\$250 00 \$250 00

THE NUMBER OF BOOKS IN USE AND THEIR
ESTIMATED VALUE.

47	Lippincott's 6th Readers,	@.60,	.....	\$28 20
106	" 5th "	.50,	.....	53 00
114	" 4th "	.35,	.....	39 90
166	" 3d "	.25,	.....	41 50
127	" 2d "	.15,	.....	19 05
99	" 1st "	.08,	.....	7 92
456	Harrington's Spellers,	.07,	.....	31 92
64	Lippincott's "	.10,	.....	6 46
212	Fish's Arithmetic,	.40,	.....	84 80
161	Robinson's Arithmetic.	.12,	.....	19 32
24	Colburn's Arithmeic,	.15,	.....	3 60
154	Warren's Geography, (B. C.)	.50,	.....	77 00
151	" " (Primary)	.25,	.....	37 75
62	Barnes' U. S. History,	.50,	.....	31 00
51	Meservey's Book-keeping,	.40,	.....	20 40
126	Swinton's Grammar,	.30,	.....	37 80
30	Steele's Physiology,	.30,	.....	9 00
2	Rhetorics,	.40,	.....	80
32	Montieth's Phys. Geog.,	.70,	.....	22 40
26	Childs Book of Nature,	.50,	.....	13 00
33	Chart Primmers,	.05,	.....	1 65
1	Educational Chart		.....	12 00
217	Supplementary Reading Books,	.15,	.....	32 55
41	Smith's Physiology,	.25,	.....	10 25
30	Chittenden's Composition,	.40,	.....	12 00
	Music charts,		.....	50 00
4	Language Lessons,	.15,	.....	60
				\$703.81

NEW BOOKS ON HAND.

2	Lippincott's 5th Readers,	.75	.....	1 50
24	" 3d "	.36 2-3	.....	8 80
12	" 4th "	.50,	.....	6 00
33	" 2d "	.27 1-2	.....	9 07
36	" 1st "	.16 2 3	.....	6 00
28	Harrington's Spellers,	.11,	.....	3 08
9	Fish's Arithmetic,	.50,	.....	4 50
22	Robinson's Arithmetic,	.20,	.....	4 40
2	Warren's Geography (B. C.)	.80,	.....	1 60
3	" " (Primary)	.40,	.....	1 20
4	Barnes' U. S. History,	.90,	.....	3 60
14	Meservey's Book-keeping,	.72,	.....	10 08
15	Swinton's Grammar,	.42,	.....	6 30
4	Monthieth's Phys. Geog.,	.83 1-3	.....	3 33
78	Supplimentary Reading Books,	.20,	.....	15 60
20	Smith's Physiology,	.30,	.....	6 00
2	Webster's Unabridged,	8.00,	.....	16 00
				\$107.06

Estimated value of books on hand Feb. 20th, 1889, \$751.43, and the amount expended for books the past year, \$242 46 a total of \$993.89.

The estimated value of books on hand Feb. 20th, 1890, \$810-87. The net cost to the town for furnishing free text books the past year \$183.02.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. It is recommended that the whole course of study in the graded schools be thoroughly revised before the commencement of the next term.

2. That the terms of school be so arranged that the schools will all close before the 20th of February annually and that the school year end at that date.

3. That the teacher in the High School, be required to keep and return a register of all scholars, whose homes are in this town, attending that school.

4. That the town raise for the support of common schools \$5,500.00 and for Free High School \$500.00. And for the purchase of books including books for High School \$500.00.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. A. BICKFORD, Supervisor.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

GRADED SCHOOLS.	Spring Tm.			Fall Tm.			Winter Tm.		
	Weeks of School.	No. Scholars Registered.	Average Attendance.	Weeks of School.	No. Scholars Registered.	Average Attendance.	Weeks of School.	No. Scholars Registered.	Average Attendance.
PRIMARY, Jewett St.,	8	58	46	10	47	40	8	48	32
“ Pleasant St.,	8	46	36	10	40	30	7	34	28
“ Leavitt St.,	15	75	66	10	72	55	6	73	59
“ West Front St.,	8	56	46	10	32	28	8	27	23
“ Mechanic St.,	8	48	39	12	32	23	8	34	26
“ Park House,	8	47	37	12	46	36	6	41	36
2d PRIMARY, Leavitt St.,	15	60	48	10	67	59	6	61	51
“ Old Academy,	9	59	46	10	53	41	7	51	39
INTERMEDIATE, Leavitt St.,	16	41	30	12	36	28	8	34	27
“ Old Academy,	10	35	25	10	47	39	8	46	37
2d GRAMMAR, Leavitt St.,	15	46	39	12	53	48	6	50	37
“ Park House,	10	41	34	12	44	38	6 2-5	37	28
GRAMMAR, Island,	12	34	33	13	57	50	8	53	40
UNGRADED SCHOOLS.									
No. 2 North,	8	16	14	10	20	17	8	19	13
“ 3 “	8	17	14	10	17	11	8	16	13
“ 7 “	8	11	9	10	15	12	8	19	16
“ 8 “	8	10	9	10	7	5	No school.		
“ 9 “	8	24	22	10	18	14	6	18	13
“ 11 “	8	13	12	10	12	10	8	15	12
“ 12 “	8	11	10	10	11	8	8	16	13
“ 2 South,	8	12	11	10	13	11	8	10	9
“ 3 “	No school			10	8	7	No school.		
“ 4 & 8 “	8	12	10	10	13	11	8	13	11
“ 5 & 9 “	8	8	7	10	10	7	No school.		
“ 6 “	8	18	14	10	11	9	8	16	10½
“ 7 “	No school.			10	10	8	No school.		