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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF
SKOWHEGAN,
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 20, 1903.

PRESS OF
J. O. SMITH & CO.
1903.

Town Officers

FOR THE YEAR 1902.

TOWN CLERK:—GEO. S. WEBB.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR:
R. F. PARKER, S. H. BRADBURY, A. H. WYMAN.

COLLECTOR:—H. K. WHITE.

TREASURER:—GEORGE E. SAMPSON.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:
REV. H. W. KIMBALL, *Chairman*, W. S. STINCHFIELD.
 B. A. SAWYER,

TOWN PHYSICIAN:—H. C. TAGGART.

BOARD OF HEALTH:
W. S. STINCHFIELD, A. H. LANG, SILAS LELAND.

HEALTH OFFICER:—DR. W. S. STINCHFIELD.

CONSTABLES:
F. P. PENNELL, FRANK THOMPSON, H. K. WHITE,
 AUGUSTUS GILBLAIR, W. R. GIFFORD,
 H. M. WESTON, H. P. THING.

ROAD COMMISSIONER:—GEO. H. WEBB.

AUDITOR:—F. A. NOLIN.

AGENT:—G. W. GOWER.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Skowhegan :

The Board of Selectmen, in accordance with the provisions of the Statute, respectfully submits its seventy-ninth annual report of the financial condition of your town for your consideration, for the year ending February 20th, 1903.

This report includes the report of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, the report of the Road Commissioner and the report of the Town Treasurer. Also the reports of the Coburn Library Fund, the Coburn Charity Bequest, the Woman's Aid Society and the Coburn Park Commissioners.

We feel very grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis for the manner in which they have conducted affairs at the Town Farm and cared for its inmates.

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Road Commissioner and find them correct, with all payments properly vouched.

F. A. NOLIN,

Auditor

Selectmen's Report.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1902.

Making and Repairing Highways.....	\$7,000.00
Building and Repairing Bridges and Culverts.....	2,000.00
Breaking Snow Roads.....	3,000.00
Support of Poor and Town Expenses.....	6,000.00
Cemetery Repairs.....	100.00
Memorial Day.....	150.00
Fence Wire.....	100.00
Madison Street Sewer.....	2,000.00
North “ “.....	800.00
Park Commissioners.....	300.00
Support of Schools.....	7,000.00
Text Books and Supplies.....	1,200.00
Free High School.....	2,000.00
Repairs on School Houses.....	1,200.00
Bridge across Cole Brook.....	800.00
Scales.....	250.00
Snow Road Rollers.....	300.00
Iron Fence, North Cemetery.....	200.00
State Tax.....	9,527.92
County Tax.....	3,425.51
Interest.....	450.00
Sewer Loan.....	2,000.00
Electric Railroad Loan.....	1,000.00
Overlaysings.....	2,414.51
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	\$53,217.94

VALUATION.

Real Estate resident.....	\$2,140,490.00	
“ “ non-resident.....	230,940.00	
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		\$2,371,430.00
Personal Estate, resident.....	\$770,165.00	
“ “ non-resident.....	94,070.00	
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		\$864,235.00
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		\$3,235,665.00
Rate \$15.40 per \$1000,.....	\$49,875.44	
1337 Polls at \$2.50 each	3,342.50	
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		\$53,217.94
Supplemental Tax.....	\$235.38	

H. K. WHITE, Collector of Taxes, *Dr.*

To tax at \$15.40 per \$1,000.....	\$49,875.44	
“ 1,337 Polls at \$2.50	3,342.50	
“ Supplemental tax.....	235.38	
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		\$53,453.32

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Cash H. K. White paid to Treasurer.....	\$53,453.32
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RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR 1902-1903.

Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1902	\$10,872.22
“ Town farm sales.....	\$875.69
“ Sale of Maine reports.....	20.00
“ Village Corporation.....	1.75
“ Licenses.....	17.00
“ Sale of Pleasant Street school house.....	1,000.00
“ Sale of Gould school house.....	15.00
“ “ “ Perkins “ “	50.00
“ Lewiston	56.75
“ Solon	25.97
“ Bingham	120.90
“ Dog tax 1901	141.80
“ Town Clerk dog licenses.....	142.00
“ Damage to sheep by dogs	11.25
“ Cemetery deposit	500.00
“ State pension	306.00
“ School fund and mill tax	3,974.66
“ R. R. and telegraph tax.....	1,038.86
“ Free High school.....	250.00
“ State paupers, support of	278.15
“ Armory rent.....	100.00
“ Insane refunded.....	282.94
“ Poor	67.36
“ Use of scales.....	3.50
“ Geo. H. Webb.....	328.12
“ Interest on M. C. Bonds.....	14.00
“ Non resident taxes	98.59
“ Sewers	159.50
“ H. K. White collector.	53,453.32
	<hr/> \$63,333.11
	<hr/> \$74,205.33

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR
ENDING FEB. 20, 1903.

Abatements, 1900.....	\$23.54
" 1901.....	123.00
" 1902.....	326.87
Armory rent.....	200.00
Physicians' certificates of births and deaths.....	46.00
Cemeteries.....	417.40
Bridges and culverts.....	4,004.47
Coburn park.....	300.00
Electric lights.....	102.10
Fence wire.....	94.70
Highways.....	6,338.20
Interest.....	538.85
Memorial Day.....	150.00
Miscellaneous.....	450.87
Town Clerk, marriages, births and deaths.....	38.10
Maine Insane Hospital.....	628.27
Schools.....	14,962.83
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Amount carried forward,	\$28,745.20

EXPENDITURES.---Continued.

Amount brought forward,	\$28,745.20
Scales	231.38
Sewers	977.89
Snow roads.....	2,473.83
" road roller.....	117.60
Town farm.....	1,680.41
Town officers' bills.....	3,883.25
Watering tubs.....	18.00
West Front street.....	3,042.73
Bridge loan.....	1,750.00
Railroad loan.....	3,000.00
Sewer " 	2,911.22
Poor	2,128.96
State tax	9,527.92
County tax	3,425.51
State pension.....	306.00
Dog licenses State treasurer.....	142.00
Stone crusher loan.....	2,456.91
	<hr/> \$66,818.81
Cash on hand February 20, 1903,	\$7,386.52
	<hr/> \$74,205.33

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

R. F. Parker,	{	Selectmen, Assessors	{	\$500.00	
S. H. Bradbury,				and	350.00
A. H. Wyman,				Overseers of the Poor.	250.00
White, H. K., collector				613.81	
Sampson, Geo. E., treasurer.....				60.00	
Taggart, H. C., town physician.....				50.00	
Stinchfield, W. S.,	{	Board of Health.....	{	10.00	
Lang, A. H.,				10.00	
Leland, Silas,				10.00	
Colby, D. W., Supt. of schools				1,000.00	
Salley, I. L. Inspector of Milk.....				44.00	
Webb, Geo. H. Road Commissioner				700.00	
Goodwin, Harvey E., Inspector of buildings				25.00	
Thing, H. P., Dog constable				20.00	
Tozier, C. C., Truant Officer				14.64	
Stinchfield, W. S., Health officer.....				50.80	
Kimball, H. W.,	{	School Committee,.....	{	50.00	
Stinchfield, W. S.,				50.00	
Sawyer, B. A.,				50.00	
Nolin, F. A., auditor (services two years.).....				25.00	

 \$3,883.25

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Paid L. W. Shean	\$1.25
“ L. A. Dascombe	8.00
“ Cora M. Johnson	1.25
“ A. E. Gelinas	9.25
“ H. C. Taggart	10.50
“ W. S. Stinchfield	4.50
“ John E. Wadsworth	6.75
“ J. N. Merrill	4.50

 \$46.00

POOR OFF FARM.

Adams, W. C.....	\$4.50	
Austin, W. C.....	45.76	
Blanchette, Mrs. Peter.....	76.84	
Chase, James E. (refunded \$258).....	283.00	
Connor, Josie.....	260.00	
Clukey, Sadie.....	1.98	
——(refunded).....	15.00	
——(refunded).....	6.00	
Doyle, Wm.....	63.60	
Dore, Joseph.....	98.66	
Dulac, Mrs. Hiram (refunded \$14).....	100.69	
Fornier, Mrs. Jos.....	136.79	
Gray, Ed.....	22.91	
Groder, Mrs. Chas.....	59.61	
Gurney, Lewis.....	40.50	
" Peter (refunded \$18).....	43.36	
Haley, Kate A.....	22.95	
Jewell, Della.....	1.25	
Lewis, Fred.....	23.00	
Lessard, Peter N.....	25.95	
——(refunded).....	25.97	
McCollar, Mrs. John (refunded \$120.90).....	139.07	
Morrisette, Amanda.....	91.81	
Mullen, N. B.....	4.50	
Murray, Daniel.....	54.63	
" Phillip.....	83.93	
Packard, Geo.....	59.89	
Perry, Geo. and wife.....	72.50	
" Paul.....	5.50	
——(refunded).....	43.00	
Scott, Harry.....	21.05	
——(refunded).....	14.36	
Tracy, Benjamin.....	35.00	
Vigue, Augustus.....	45.60	
" Mrs. Annie.....	63.04	
" Jos.....	33.26	
" Thomas.....	3.50	
		\$2,128.96
Less amount refunded.....		515.23
Net cost.....		\$1,613.73

DEPARTMENT OVERSEERS OF THE POOR AT FARM.

PAID FOR STOCK AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Parker & Nay.....	\$35.89	
“ Arnold & Currier.....	39.42	
“ Patterson & Goodrich.....	49.84	
“ Steward Bros.....	73.63	
“ W. B. Whittier.....	105.55	
“ D. A. & W. E. Porter.....	81.78	
“ Geo. E. Morrill.....	37.59	
“ South Side Grocery.....	76.18	
“ Wm. Donaldson.....	15.84	
“ F. A. Benner.....	14.38	
“ Palmer Bros.....	16.10	
“ Geo. E. Simpson.....	64.15	
“ C. W. Day.....	28.48	
“ Bragg & Varney.....	20.25	
“ W. H. Wildes.....	21.25	
“ W. P. Ordway.....	20.27	
“ James Lewia.....	6.15	
“ R. M. Dunbar (fertilizer).....	32.50	
“ Wm. A. Pitts “.....	43.50	
“ Sewall W. Smith (coal).....	116.56	
“ Frank Thompson & Co. (sheep).....	84.00	
“ Tuttle Bros. (pigs).....	12.00	
“ Chas. Murray.....	44.47	
“ C. A. Ross.....	9.33	
“ Hiram Berce.....	12.55	
“ Percy Ricker.....	2.85	
“ Blunt Hardware Co.....	39.85	
“ E. F. Russell.....	1.40	
“ Rev. Onstott.....	2.60	
“ S. H. Bradbury.....	1.50	
“ C. H. Lewis (cash paid out).....	70.55	
“ “ “ (salary).....	500.00	
		<hr/> \$1,680.41

STOCK AND PRODUCE SOLD.

Cash received for board.....	\$436.10	
Calves.....	7.00	
Pork.....	65.52	
Hay.....	138.96	
Butter.....	210.61	
Salt Pork.....	17.50	
		<hr/> \$875.69

STOCK ON HAND FEB. 20, 1903.

6 cows.....	\$210.00	
1 horse.....	90.00	
4 pigs.....	25.00	
28 sheep.....	98.00	
1 calf.....	5.00	
21 hens.....	10.00	
		<hr/> \$438.00

PRODUCE ON HAND.

35 tons hay.....	\$350.00	
6 " straw.....	30.00	
150 bushels oats.....	67.50	
10 " corn.....	6.75	
6 " beans.....	15.00	
8 " India wheat.....	4.75	
75 bushels potatoes.....	56.25	
Bran.....	8.40	
Feed.....	7.10	
1½ bbl. pork.....	35.00	
Groceries.....	60.00	
3 tons coal.....	25.00	
2 m shingles.....	4.00	
½ m lumber.....	5.00	
20 cords wood.....	50.00	
		<hr/> \$724.75
Farming tools, wagons, harness, etc.....		\$225.00

PRODUCTS OF FARM.

55 tons hay, 10 tons corn fodder, 3 tons straw, 235 bu. oats, 12 bu. India wheat, 40 bu. corn, 150 bu. potatoes, 75 squash, 100 cabbage, 13 bu. turnips, 8 bu. beets, 7 bu. beans, 1 bbl. apples, 1650 lbs. pork, 75 lbs. poultry, 3 calves, 1557 lbs. butter.		
Stock and supplies Feb. 20, 1902,.....	\$1,283.00	
Overseer's salary.....	500.00	
Stock and supplies.....	1,180.41	
		<hr/> \$2,963.41
Sales.....	\$875.69	
Stock and supplies Feb. 20, 1903.....	1,387.75	
757 weeks board at about 92½ cts. per week.....	699.97	
		<hr/> \$2,963.41

SUPPORT OF INSANE AT MAINE INSANE HOSPITAL.

Barker, Carrol P.	\$150.45	
—— (refunded)	132.57	
Nutting, Sewell D.	150.07	
Leavitt, Charles H.	156.42	
—— (refunded)	38.76	
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	\$628.27	
Refunded	171.33	
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Balance by town		\$456.94

SCHOOLS.

Raised by town	\$6,000.00	
“ “ “ for high school	2,000.00	
“ “ “ “ text books and supplies	1,200.00	
“ “ “ “ repairs on schoolhouses	1,200.00	
“ “ “ “ music and drawing	1,000.00	
State school fund and mill tax	3,974.66	
“ free high school	250.00	
	<hr/>	\$15,624.66
Orders to school committee	\$14,962.83	
Unexpended	661.83	
	<hr/>	\$15,624.66

SEWERS.

North street	\$885.55	
Bush “	92.34	
	<hr/>	\$977.89
Raised by town	\$800.00	
Overdrawn	177.89	
	<hr/>	\$977.89
Abutters assessed	\$252.00	
Assessments unpaid	252.00	
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HIGHWAYS.

Raised by town	\$7,000.00	
Orders drawn to Geo. H. Webb	\$6,332.20	
“ “ “ “ John Burleigh	6.00	
Unexpended	661.80	
	<hr/>	\$7,000.00

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Raised by town.....	\$2,800.00	
Appropriated.....	1,306.72	
		<hr/> \$4,106.72

Orders drawn to Geo. H. Webb.....	\$3,394.57	
" " " American Bridge Co.....	360.00	
" " " Henry L. Norton.....	250.00	
Unexpended.....	102.15	
		<hr/> \$4,106.72

SNOW ROADS.

Raised by town	\$3,000.00	
Orders to Geo. H. Webb.....	1,090.16	
Allowed on taxes	1,383.67	
Unexpended	526.17	
		<hr/> \$3,000.00

SNOW ROADS ALLOWED ON TAXES.

Ames, Perley.....	\$11.72
" Geo. S.....	10.22
Allen, Loren B.	6.77
" Edward	15.60
Andrews, W. E.	2.02
Chapman, Herbert.....	11.47
Coleman, Mrs. Augusta.....	11.60
Crowell, S. L.	9.75
Cummings, C. F.....	2.92
Crowell, Augustus.....	35.52
" Ella H.....	8.50
Church, C. K.....	6.90
Cushman, C. H.....	2.45
Cushing, Edward.....	8.10
" Willis	10.80
Cannon, H. P.....	2.35
Clark, John R.....	4.70
Currier, Abner.....	8.48
Bigelow, B. F.....	14.37
Bolgier, Joseph.....	19.70
Bicknell, Minnie O.....	.90
Bradbury Bros.....	11.26

Buzzell, Ralph A.	1.10
" John H	8.95
" Geo. M.	16.50
Brawn, Edwin	6.40
" Horace	2.40
Davis Bros.	16.20
" W. C.	6.40
Danforth, Elba	6.85
Dorothy, I. C.	37.73
Dillingham, H. H.	12.37
Dunbar, Roscoe	4.20
Emerson, S. M.	10.65
Eaton, Calvin D.	9.70
Ellis, Harry	1.50
Fletcher, Pethuel	12.60
" Bert C.	2.00
Foss, Joseph	2.41
" U. L.	2.40
" Warren	4.95
Fowler, Wm.	2.20
Gage, Frank S.	9.95
Gardner, Chas	12.10
Gerald, Mark80
Goodridge, James M.	5.97
Gower, Fred R.	20.50
Herrin, J. L.	6.64
" Chas	8.32
" Jessie	3.50
" A. R.	4.90
Holt, Virgil C.	12.70
Horn, Nathaniel	18.74
Homestead, I. A.	9.26
" R. Fremont	11.15
Hill, F. R. & G. A.	21.55
Huntley, Frank P.	21.94
Jewett, Albert E.	12.20
" Maxie S.	10.80
Jennings, J. C.	6.88
Ireland, Wallace	5.20
Kimball, O. W.	17.32
Lalley, John M.	5.31
Lord, T. G.	4.50
Lyons, Nathan	4.55

Loomis, C. H.....	49.35
" Bradford	18.60
" Warren	56.00
" Fred	22.42
Malbon, Frank P.....	14.90
" Mrs. Ada.....	16.60
" W. R.....	12.73
Moody, Fred L.....	31.50
Mitchell, Frank.....	22.35
" E. J.....	1.46
Nash, G. Wallace.....	3.95
Nay, Stanley E.....	10.55
Neil, John.....	4.50
Packard, J. W.....	27.50
Parker, Eugene F.....	6.00
Parkman, W. Scott.....	10.55
Pooler, Sidney L.....	11.90
Pitts, W. A.....	17.90
" W. H.....	1.80
Plummer, C. A.....	4.40
Richardson, H. H.....	6.05
" Elbridge	3.00
" Elvyn B.....	11.50
Ricker, Raymond.....	1.35
Ross, John.....	2.80
Rowe, Milton S.....	3.80
Sandford, A. F.....	5.30
Savage, W. C.....	28.20
Smiley, A. R.....	8.18
" D. F.....	9.60
Snow Bros.....	22.95
Steward, P. C.....	8.50
" S. Frank.....	8.97
Swain, Eugene	11.00
" S. H.....	4.85
Strickland, Augustus.....	18.23
Varney, Alonzo.....	4.05
" Henry A.....	7.20
" Chas. F.....	1.80
" Ernest	1.70
Tolman, Wm.....	20.25
Tobey, Chas. F.....	3.00
Tuttle Bros.....	54.75

Weston, W. H.....	2.42
“ Geo. N.....	4.80
“ Geo. H.....	8.72
“ John.....	17.20
Webb, John R.....	8.45
Wentworth Bros.....	16.20
Welch, T. F.....	4.82
Whittemore, John P.....	48.90
“ Joseph.....	42.00
Whitman, Isaac L.....	13.15
Wyman, Harley.....	5.13
Withee, David.....	1.50

SCALES.

Raised by town.....		\$250.00
Order drawn to G. H. Webb.....	\$101.38	
“ “ “ C. N. Holt.....	130.00	
Unexpended.....	18.62	
	<hr/>	\$250.00

SNOW ROAD ROLLER.

Raised by town.....	\$300.00	
Order drawn to Geo. W. Tibbetts.....	100.00	
“ “ “ B. F. Eaton, Agt.....	17.60	
Unexpended.....	182.40	
	<hr/>	\$300.00

CEMETERIES.

Paid Skowhegan Water Co.....	\$35.00	
“ S. L. Pooler.....	12.40	
“ Geo. M. Buzzell.....	2.00	
“ R. M. Albee.....	16.00	
“ A. H. Noble.....	22.00	
“ Steward Heating and Plumbing Co.....	330.00	
	<hr/>	\$417.40
Raised by town for repairs.....	\$100.00	
“ “ “ “ iron fence.....	200.00	
Overdrawn.....	117.40	
	<hr/>	\$417.40

MEMORIAL DAY.

Raised by town.....	\$150.00
Expended.....	150.00

INTEREST.

Paid Jane E. Leadbetter.....	\$40.00
“ Skowhegan Savings Bank.....	432.85
“ C. K. Turner.....	30.00
“ J. H. Manter.....	36.00
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	\$538.85

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Paid to Electric Light Co.....	\$102.10
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WATER TUBS.

Paid to Levi S. Varney.....	\$3.00
“ “ C. F. Tobey.....	3.00
“ “ Eliza Frye.....	3.00
“ “ Geo. M. Buzzell.....	3.00
“ “ C. B. White.....	3.00
“ “ W. S. Parkman.....	3.00
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	\$18.00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Valuation books.....	\$23.98
Typewriting.....	1.50
Janitor.....	1.50
Board of health.....	6.20
L. G. Bunker for board of health.....	25.00
Ledger.....	2.77
C. H. Longfellow, damage to harness.....	5.00
G. L. Goss, damage to harness and wagon.....	12.50
Printing town reports.....	91.80
Printing.....	10.40
E. F. Fairbrother, auctioneer.....	5.00
Painting fountains.....	2.21
Geo. W. Gower, legal services.....	76.49
Maine year book.....	2.00
Election expenses.....	19.50
Office supplies.....	3.90

Stamps	6.00	
Expense taking valuation	2.50	
Books and supplies, town clerk	14.23	
Percy Ricker, damage to sleigh	5.00	
Water for office	4.00	
Heating office	35.00	
Cover to fountain	10.75	
Oilcloth for office	20.00	
Chas. Fairbrother	1.00	
Rent of target grounds	15.00	
F. P. Pennell, serving sewer papers	10.40	
Treasurer's supplies	5.00	
Printing report for town committee	30.00	
A. H. Wyman, expense to Augusta	2.10	
Memorial services	150.00	
		<hr/> \$450.87

CEMETERY DEPOSITS.

R. E. Lyon	\$100.00	
Daniel S. Webb	100.00	
Edward Manchester	100.00	
Mary S. Davis	100.00	
Dr. F. F. Russell	100.00	
Chas. Wyman	100.00	
Sarah A. Brown	50.00	
Mrs. E. S. Prescott	50.00	
Mary P. Kidder	100.00	
Asa S. Parker	100.00	
H. C. Taggart	100.00	
Helen S. Robinson	500.00	
		<hr/> \$1,500.00

LIABILITIES.

Cemetery Deposits	\$1,500.00	
Trust Fund	344.28	
	————	\$1,844.28

ESTIMATED LIABILITIES.

Snow work to be allowed on taxes	\$1,000.00	
Maine Insane Hospital . . .	100.00	
	————	\$1,100.00

RESOURCES.

2 M. C. R. R. Bonds	\$260.00	
Due from State for paupers . .	25.00	
“ on Sewer tax	289.00	
“ from Madison	29.50	
“ “ Bingham	18.17	
“ “ State (burial of soldiers)	67.50	
Stock in hands of J. W. Wakefield State		
Liquor Com., about	340.00	
Due from State for Free High School	125.00	
Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1903 . . .	7,386.52	
	————	\$8,540.69
Net Resources of the Town, Feb. 20, 1903, about	\$5,596.41	
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 1902,	703.74	
	————	
Net Gain for the Year		\$4,892.67

PROPERTY OF TOWN.

Town Farm	\$3,500.00	
Store house and lot North St. . .	1,000.00	
Austin farm	300.00	
Lot on Pine St.	300.00	
Cemetery lot on Parkman Hill . . .	200.00	
Stone Quarry, Notch road	150.00	
Coburn Park	4,500.00	
Stock S. & N. R. R. and Power Co. 100 shares.		
Personal Property, Crusher, Road Machine, Tools, etc.	3,100.00	
	—————	\$13,050.00

ESTIMATES.

Highways	\$7,000.00
Bridges and Culverts	2,000.00
Snow Roads	3,000.00
Support of Poor and Town Expenses	7,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

R. F. PARKER,
S. H. BRADBURY,
A. H. WYMAN,

Selectmen of Skowhegan.

Report of Road Commissioner.

To the Citizens of Skowhegan:

As Road Commissioner I herewith hand you my fourth annual report:

The advance in prices of labor and material has made the cost of all work more than in former years.

I have tried several different ways of building walks viz: of crushed brick and crushed stone, and in connection with these materials different proportions of tar and pitch have been used, with the object of doing away with the plank walks and substituting instead a good walk cheaper but with the durability of the regular concrete. About three-fourths of a mile of old plank walk has been renewed with crushed brick and stone and seems to be satisfactory.

The brick walks on Water St. in front of Milburn block and on North side of same street, from Madison, St. to within a short distance of Railroad have been replaced with concrete. The old brick were used in building manholes and catch basins elsewhere.

The North end of Mechanic street has been bettered by changing the walk from East side of the street to the West.

West Front street has been improved, as per vote of town, requiring about 1000 yds stones for wall and road bed and about 1500 yds earth filling.

Lawton street sewer has been extended to junction of Court St.

The old stone sewer leading from Bush St. to Kennebec river has been abandoned and a tile sewer laid from junction of Water St. about 130 feet North on Bush St.

North street sewer has been extended from its former terminus northerly about 930 ft.

The suspension bridge has been completed; also the bridges on Madison and North avenues.

The Bridge at foot of Ross hill, so called, has been rebuilt and the water way made more than twice as large as before.

Judging from our short experience with the snow roller it appears to be a success.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. WEBB, Road Commissioner.

CASH RECEIVED ACCOUNT OF BRIDGES.

American Bridge Co.....	\$9.25	
Webster Savage.....	.75	
A. Gardner.....	1.25	
U. L. Foss.....	1.25	
A. Sedgley.....	8.75	
Benj. Sawyer.....	2.30	
H. L. Norton.....	9.00	
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		\$32.55

CASH RECEIVED ACCOUNT OF HIGHWAYS.

Frank Folsom.....	\$.25	
C. Leighton.....	1.50	
Dr. E. H. Stevens.....	4.80	
Eddie Crotto.....	1.50	
C. Mantor.....	12.00	
G. B. Safford.....	4.50	
Peter Lessor.....	15.75	
L. W. Weston & Co.....	3.00	
J. P. Merrill.....	5.50	
G. A. Flye.....	12.75	
L. C. Emery.....	5.89	
Mrs. Belle Small.....	7.00	
Patterson & Goodrich.....	12.05	
Jos. Pomlow.....	15.00	
E. E. McNeelie.....	9.98	
E. N. Merrill.....	11.79	
Coburn Aqueduct.....	8.15	
Horace Chaney.....	.75	
Tuttle Bros.....	10.00	
R. W. Brown.....	1.00	
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		\$143.16

CASH RECEIVED ACCOUNT OF SNOW.

John Nutting.....	\$1.50	
N. McQuillan.....	1.50	
Mrs. Mary Varney.....	2.00	
Wm. Smith.....	1.50	
F. Pollard.....	1.50	
Harry Baker.....	1.50	
Wm. Snow.....	1.50	
Mrs. E. Chase.....	1.50	
J. P. Merrill.....	1.50	

Forrest Goodwin.....	1.50	
A. G. Blunt.....	1.50	
Ed. Cass.....	1.50	
L. Anderson.....	1.50	
F. A. Nolin.....	1.50	
E. N. Merrill.....	7.96	
Somerset Tr. Co.....	10.50	
Mrs. A. W. Wildes.....	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$41.46

CASH RECEIVED ACCOUNT OF WEST FRONT ST.

Skow. Dam Co.....	\$.29	
Wm. Heselton.....	1.50	
E. E. McNeelie.....	.75	
Geo. Tilton.....	1.00	
Wm. Clough.....	6.45	
A. H. Weston.....	1.05	
Skow. Pulp Co.....	15.30	
J. Symonds.....	3.00	
H. Goodwin.....	3.00	
G. H. Webb.....	46.12	
Somerset Tr. Co.....	7.60	
Marston Construction Co.....	12.52	
Vigue and Roy.....	9.12	
	<hr/>	\$107.70

CASH RECEIVED ACCOUNT NORTH ST. SEWER.

Omar Bollier.....	\$ 1.25	
Geo. Leo.....	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$3.25

NET COSTS ARE SHOWN BELOW.

Suspension Bridge, Feb. 20, '02.....	\$300.00	
“ “ “ “ '03.....	225.00	
	<hr/>	\$525.00
Appropriation \$550.		

Cold Brook Bridge, Mad. St., Feb. 20, '02.....	143.28	
“ “ “ “ “ “ '03.....	992.62	
“ “ “ Iron work, pd. by Select'n,	360.00	
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	1,495.90	
Cr. Cash.....	9.25	
	<hr/>	1,486.65
Appropriation \$1200.		

Cold Brook Bridge, No. St.....	749.51	
“ “ “ Iron work pd. by Select’n,	250.00	
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	999.51	
Cr. Cash.....	9.00	
	<hr/>	990.51
Appropriation \$800.		
Other Bridges and Culverts.....	1,427.34	
Cr. Cash.....	14.30	
	<hr/>	1,413.04
Snow Roads, Cash.....	1,090.16	
“ “ allowed on taxes.....	1,383.67	
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	2,473.83	
Cr. Cash.....	41.46	
	<hr/>	2,432.37
Highways	6,332.20	
Bush St. Sewer.....	92.34	
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	6,424.54	
Cr. Cash.....	143.16	
	<hr/>	6,281.38
West Front Street.....	2,817.73	
Cr. Cash.....	107.70	
	<hr/>	2,710.03
Appropriation \$2500.		
North St. Sewer.....	607.19	
“ “ “ pipe pd. by Selectmen.....	274.26	
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	881.45	
Cr. Cash.....	3.25	
	<hr/>	878.20
Appropriation \$800.		

CASH PAID.

	Snow.	Bridges.	Highways.	Sewers.
Adams, Lester.....			69.15	
Allen, Ansel.....			6.75	
" Wm.....			1.20	
" Loren.....	1.20	3.00	8.25	
" M. J.....	2.15		14.84	
" Ed.....		1.19	3.90	
Am. Ex. Co.....			12.74	
Ambrose, John.....			4.50	
Ames, G. S.....		6.00	9.30	
Austin, Harry.....		15.00	1.50	
Austin, Alfred.....	26.70	98.00	63.55	
Anderson, Lewis.....			2.47	
Barker, E. E.....			19.00	
Barnard, Geo.....			4.22	
Bancroft, Geo.....		.90	37.04	
Barney, Willie.....			1.50	
Bailey, A. D.....	1.05			
" Theo.....	1.80			
Besor, Lewia.....			37.05	
" Joe.....		27.12	35.47	43.75
" David.....			13.95	
Belonga, Paul.....	26.55		30.82	
Bigelow, Roscoe.....	30.70	16.47	9.00	
Blunt Hardware Co.....	.31	145.56	186.10	35.80
Bollier, Jos.....			30.10	
Bollier, Willie.....			8.00	
" Eddie.....				3.75
Bolduc, Henry.....	31.99		75.57	
Brown, S. R.....		11.10	1.00	
Bradbury Bros.....		92.80	26.20	
Butler, Thos.....	3.50			
Burleigh, J H.....			17.20	18.50
Buker, Jos.....	7.00			
Buford, Willie.....		1.00		
" Joe.....				3.75
Burrill, Geo.....	5.00		9.30	
Buzzell, G. M.....	3.50	5.02	30.01	
Buker, Leon.....	1.50			
Buzzell, Fred.....	1.35			
Bullett, Joe.....	1.50			
Cayford, Horace.....				27.75
Cannon, H. P.....			.60	
Cates, Carroll.....			1.50	
Chipman, Ward.....		13.26	1.50	
Chucott, Joe.....	43.75	41.14	87.48	8.75
Clukey, David.....			5.30	
Cleveland, Calvin.....			8.00	
" Norris.....		10.05		
" Chas, C.....			7.50	
Clair, Joe.....	1.50	29.48	36.06	
Cowett, Jerry.....	35.92			

	Snow.	Bridges.	Highways.	Sewers.
" John.....	1.05	36 37	157.70	
" Ephraim.....			6.60	
" Frank.....		1.50	279.48	6.00
" Peter.....		4.50	45.00	
Conant, C. M.....			62.50	
Crotto, Joe.....	1.50			
Crowell, S. L.....			2.50	
" Augustus.....			3.10	
" E. H., Mrs.....			7.00	
Currier, Abner.....			3.16	
Cushing, Willis.....			3.22	
Dane, J. H.....			2.00	
Davis, Wilson.....		24.90		
Daggett, Bert.....	66.74	95.20	81.25	56.00
Davis, Seth L.....	6.75		4.15	
Davis, Bros.....			77.53	
Day, Wesley.....			2.25	26.65
Demo, Thos.....	1.38		12.37	
Delano, J. W.....	17.75	28.49	9.95	
Deane, Thos. E.....	24.00		2.25	
Demo, Noah.....	1.50			
Douglass, J. E.....	1.50			
Donaldson, Wm.....			26.69	
Dore, John.....	5.25		33.25	19.25
Dorothy, I. C.....			19.90	
Driscoll, John.....	66.00	4.50	21.88	
Dunbar, R. M.....		19.25	56.47	
Dulac, Fred.....			5.05	
" Chas.....			39.45	
" Frank.....			1.50	8.25
Eaton, B. F.....		1.15		2.80
Eaton, C. D.....		88.75	76.97	
Emerson, S. M.....			8.35	
Estes, F. I.....		34.85	617.78	
" C. L.....			76.60	
Fairbrother, Chas.....		1.00		
Fisher, Wm.....	2.80		33.00	
Fletcher, B. C.....	1.40	3.00	2.25	
" P. Mrs.....			16.35	
Fleming, James.....	24.75	23.25	80.92	
Fowler A.....	2.00		1.50	
Foster, Maj.....			19.50	39.00
Gardner, Albert.....	15.30	66.70	190.75	43.62
Gardner, C. H.....		18.70		
Gage, Reuben.....			23.25	
Getchell, Greene.....		135.48	24.12	
Geddis, J. G.....			11.00	
Gilbert, Joe.....		10.40		
Gilman, W. S.....		16.75	43.85	
Givens, A. H.....		1.70	25.96	
Gould, Geo. W.....		111.78		
Goodwin, Elmer.....		12.75		

	Snow.	Bridges.	Highways.	Sewers.
Gower, F. R.		1.10	23.25	
Goodwin, Harvey.....		225.00		
Goodness, John.....			29.47	33.00
Goulette, Arthur.....				15.00
Gould, S. W.	12.70		8.56	
Gower, Ora.....		3.00		
Greene, Forrest.....	3.15	1.35		
Greenwood, E. E.....			40.50	
Greene, Philip.....		78.70		
Grover, S.90	
Greene Bros.....	11.50			
Harville, Forrest.....	8.25	75.50	287.88	
" Mark.....	1.00		4.60	
Harvey, Geo.....		4.50	5.25	
Elias Hersey Roofing Co...			347.49	
Harris, John.....	1.50			
Herrin, Jesse.....		21.00	6.75	
Heald, F. G. & Co.....		9.50	4.10	
Herrin, J. L.			10.05	
Hill, F. R. Agt.....			19.37	
Homstead, R. F.....			2.70	
Howes, Luther.....	11.20		23.75	
Holt, Albert.....			12.00	
Horn Nath'l.....			6.40	
Hunt, D. W.				1.50
Huntley, F. P.....		8.65	20.00	
Island Machine Co.....			90.58	54.75
Jewett, L. C.....	4.00			
" Horace.....	23.52	27.30	35.82	15.75
" H. T.....			52.00	
" A. E.....		.50	33.00	
" Maxie.....			3.00	
Jones, Nelson.....	12.05		15.45	
Kennebec Log Driving Co.		7.00		
King, Frank.....		7.50		
Knight, S. D.....	65.57	28.40	36.40	
Knight, A. H.....			27.06	
Larey, C. F.....	1.50			
Lancaster, Harry.....		3.00		
Lawrence Newhall & Page.				32.00
Lacrosse, Joe.....	18.98			
Lawton, Fred S.....		450.13		
LaCasce, J. H.....	15.69		2.90	
Laney, Norris.....			16.20	
" Chas.....			12.45	3.00
" Duffil.....			19.25	
Lashon, Joe.....	1 50			
Lawrence, Albert.....	3.60			
Leavitt, I. D.....			9.00	
Lewia, James.....		3.00		
Lewis, David.....	8.00			
Loomis, Chas.....		4.50	14.34	

	Snow.	Bridges	Highways.	Sewers
Low, Horace and Francis...	3.05	71.25	20.60	
Longley, P. S.			335.00	
Loomis, F. W.			3.65	
" Warren.....		24.89	23.15	
Marceau, Joe.....	1.25		3.00	2.25
Malbon, F. P. Agt.....	.75	27.50	4.65	
" W. R. Agt.....			6.89	
McPherson, Wm.....			12.00	
McFadzen, Wm.....			61.00	
Merrill, J. P.		17.50		3.00
" Arthur F.....			362.50	
Mitchell, Frank Agt.....		7.50	9.75	
Moody, F. L.			9.75	
Morrisette, Thos.....			6.00	
Moody, Chas.....	3.00		24.25	5.25
Murray, J. H.			4.55	
Mullen, N. B.				11.25
Murray, Wm.....				10.50
Nay, S. E.		59.40		
Neil, John	9.62	10.50	43.87	
Nolin, F. A.	2.00	1.50	3.80	
Nutting, S. M.		28.95	15.06	
" John.....	1.25			
Oakland Mfg. Co.....		8.21		
Osborne, M. S.			78.93	
Paragee, Peter.....	1.50			
Patten, R. T.			10.32	
Patterson and Goodrich....			171.05	
Packard, J. D. Agt.....		7.88	35.90	
Paragee, Henry.....	1.50			
Parsons, M. L.		28.81	83.35	
Parker, Eugene F. Agt.....	4.65	7.86	39.14	
Perkins, A. K.		70.00		
" Wesley.....			11.50	
" B. B.		9.50		
" W. E.			67.00	
Pomlow, Peter.....	18.00	15.75	166.25	
" Archie.....			16.20	
Pooler, J. F.	15.75	10.50		
Poole, John.....				24.00
Pratt, H. N.		2.45		
Purrington, Horace & Co..			29.70	
Rawles, Henry.....			23.47	1.50
Raney, Frank.....			21.00	
Randlett, Harold.....			2.00	
Reed, N. P.		339.41		
Richardson, Jos.....	1.76			
" H. H.		5.20	12.60	
" E.			10.50	
" H. F.	1.79	2.00	2.97	
Ross, C. A.			44.49	
Roderick, Joe	2.25			

	Snow.	Bridges.	Highways.	Sewers.
Robinson, Bro's.....			4.15	
Rowe, Milton.....			7.50	
Robinson, Sumner.....			166.77	
Roullard, Paul.....	1.25		24.25	
Roderick, John.....	51.97	50.08	277.57	
Robb, Hugh F.....	3.50	1.00		
Roncoe, Augustus.....			1.50	
Russell, Lee.....			22.64	
“ Geo. L.....			42.00	
“ H. S.....			84.25	
“ E. F.....			5.05	
Rugor, Medor.....	5.02	6.00	352.74	
Sanborn, H. A.....			5.00	
“ Coney.....	7.30		2.25	
Shorty, Joe.....	5.25			
Skow. Water Co.....			29.85	
Skow. Savings Bank.....			13.00	
Smith, J. O. & Co.....	.75			
“ John.....	1.80	1.00		
“ Chas. W.....	4.20			
“ Sewell.....		19.60	149.94	
Snow, Kendall.....		3.12	7.12	
Somerset Tr. Co.....		5.00		
Spofford, Amherst.....			2.40	
Spear, Horace.....		4.46		
Stevens, Hermon.....	24 70			
“ E. E.....			2.40	
“ Perley.....	3.00			
Steward, N. S. & Co.....	2.65	17.53	382.41	7.20
“ Chas.....	3.30			
Strickland, D. D.....			5.00	
Stanley, John.....				8.25
Swain, J. A.....	1.20	3.00		
Swett, H. L.....			50.00	
Taylor Iron & Steel Co.....			65.00	
Taylor, Wm.....	1.60	2.50	186.17	
Thibadeau, Thos.....				1.22
Thomas, Henry.....	3.60		1.50	
Thompson, Geo. C.....	.68			
Trask, Geo.....	2.25			
Tobey, C. F.....			19.14	
Turner, C. E.....			16.25	
Vallier, Chas.....			10.00	
Viles, Jos.....		26.26	23.15	
Vigue, Fred.....			8.00	
“ Henry.....		13.75		
“ Jos.....			1.50	14.15
Walton, Leroy.....		43.58	38.37	
Welsh, T. F.....	3.15	4.50	4.82	
Weeks, H. E.....			51.80	
Webb, Geo. H.....	131.38	120.88	378.85	20.00
“ J. R.....			3.00	

	Snow.	Bridges.	Highways.	Sewers.
Weston, L. W	8.75		27.42	
“ Geo. N.....			62.20	
“ John			5.00	
White, C. B.....			11.55	
“ Warren.....			90.96	
Whittemore, H. J.....			15.00	
“ J. P.....		8.25	7.50	
“ C. P.....		67.96	27.62	
Whitman, Isaac.....			24.50	
Whittier, Sam'l.....			3.50	
Withee, Elmore	7.50	6.00	166.75	
Williams, Oscar	32.29		19.35	
Wilson, E.....	5.00		2.75	
York, Frank.....	1.35			
“ Alonzo.....	34.50	15.75	200.55	
“ Walter E.....	3.00			
“ Henry.....	.75			
	\$1,090.16	\$3,394.47	\$9,242.27	\$607.19
Total				14,334.09

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Feb. 20, 1902.....	\$10,872.22
State Free High School.....	\$250.00
" Pensions refunded.....	306.00
" Rent of Armory.....	100.00
" Railroad and Tel. tax.....	1,038.86
" School fund and mill tax.....	3,974.66
" State paupers.....	278.15
" Dog license refunded.....	141.80
" Refunded damages to sheep.....	11.25
Town Clerk for dog license.....	142.00
Sale of school houses.....	1,065.00
Non-resident taxes.....	98.59
Sewers.....	159.50
Licenses.....	17.00
Insane refunded.....	282.94
Refunded on account of poor.....	67.36
" from other towns.....	203.62
G. H. Webb.....	328.12
Cemetery deposit.....	500.00
Sales from town farm.....	875.69
Interest on M. C. R. R. bonds.....	14.00
William Donaldson use of scales.....	3.50
Sale of Corporation books.....	1.75
" " Maine Reports.....	20.00
H. K. White, collector.....	53,453.32
	<hr/> \$63,333.11
	<hr/> \$74,205.33

EXPENDITURES.

Pensions.....	\$306.00
Dog license.....	142.00
State tax.....	9,527.92
County tax.....	3,425.51
Orders.....	53,417.32
	<hr/> \$66,818.75
Balance, Feb, 20, 1903.....	\$7,386.58
	<hr/> \$74,205.33

Report of Health Officer.

TO THE TOWN OF SKOWHEGAN:

I submit my report for the year ending Feb. 20th, 1903.

It has been a source of satisfaction to me, that our town has been so free of contagious diseases. For the three years that I have served on the Board of Health, there have been four cases of typhoid fever, two cases of scarlet fever and none of the other severe contagious diseases.

We have had two scares caused by reports of people coming here who had been exposed to small pox. One was a traveling man from Massachusetts who was quarantined two days after leaving our town. The other was caused by a family coming from Shiloh, Me., where there were several cases of the disease; in both instances the circumstances were promptly investigated and no further trouble ensued.

As in years past the largest number of complaints have been on account of earth closets and bad sink drains but at this time I wish to express my thanks to the inhabitants of the town for their hearty co-operation in eliminating these nuisances.

W. S. STINCHFIELD, M. D.

Health Officer.

Coburn Library Fund.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 27, 1902.....	\$1,228 06
Received for rents	144 25
" " sale of cards	22 00
" dividends First National Bank of Portland.....	72 00
" coupons City of Duluth Bond.....	45 00
" " Little Rock & Ft. Smith R. R. Bonds,	140 00
" " St. Paul, S. & Taylor Falls " " "	521 50
" " Mexican Central R. R. Bonds.....	120 00
" " Wabash R. R. Bonds	35 00
" for book	1 00
" " coal	8 84
	————— \$2,337 65

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Librarian.....	\$260 00
" " Indexing books	43 00
" " Books, magazines and binding	214 67
" " Library supplies.....	56 01
" " Janitor	57 50
" " Lights	87 40
" " Water for 1½ years	37 50
" " Coal and wood	273 96
" " Care lawn.....	6 00
" " Wabash R. R. bond and accrued interest	915 65
" " Printing	5 50
" " Repairs.....	25
Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1903	380 21
	————— \$2,337 65

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. DANFORTH, *Treasurer.*

Woman's Aid Society.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FEB. 17, 1903.

Meetings of the Executive Board	26
Money orders voted by the Executive Board and signed by the President and Secretary	270
Families aided during the year	58
" " " " " with wood, (12 cords)	7
" " " " " shoes and rubbers, (45 pairs)	18
" " " " " dry goods	23
" " " " " groceries	14

Paid rent for three families, board for three people and part board for two people during the year.

A free bed in the Maine General Hospital has been obtained for one person.

The following articles of second hand clothing and bedding have been distributed: 18 pairs boots and rubbers, 23 pairs stockings, 41 shirt waists, waists and blouses, 15 shirts, 20 drawers, 15 undervests, 17 coats and jackets, 28 hats and caps, 7 neckties, 14 dresses and wrappers, 20 skirts, 9 petticoats, 2 nightdresses, 7 suits of clothes, 1 overcoat, 2 sweaters, 9 pairs pants, 1 set of furs, 1 fur cape, 6 pairs of gloves and mittens, 5 bed puffs and quilts, 4 sheets, (new).

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. PAGE, Secretary.

Woman's Aid Society.

TREASURER'S REPORT FEB. 21, 1903.

Feb'y 21, Cash balance, 1902.....	\$241.19	
Interest, Coburn Fund.....	1,000.00	
Received from Mrs. Geo. Otis Smith.....	25.00	
Received from Town Committees.....	2.15	
		<hr/> \$1,268.34

By paid 270 orders voted by the Executive Board of the Society and signed by the President and Sec- retary the items of which appear in the re- port of the Secretary of the Society.....	\$980.54	
Cash balance to new account.....	287.80	
		<hr/> \$1,268.34

The past year our pensioners have received the following sums paid as stated:

One \$10.00 per month.....	\$120.00 per year.
Two 3.00 " "	72.00 " "
Two .50 " week.....	52.00 " "
Five 1.00 " "	260.00 " "
One 2.00 " month.....	24.00 " "
One 6.50 " quarter	26.00 " "

The balance of money being spent for emergency cases for clothing, wood, groceries, shoes, rubbers, etc., as will be seen by Secretary's report.

SARAH J. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

Coburn Charity Bequest.

Report of the Treasurer for 1902.

RECEIPTS.

1902.			
Feb.	20,	Cash on hand	\$29 41
Apr.	1,	Interest, \$10,000 Maine Central R. R. Co. 7's....	350 00
		Dividend, 22 shares Casco Nat. Bank, Portland	33 00
July	1,	" 22 " " " " "	33 00
		" 24 " First " " "	72 00
July	7,	" 30 " Second " " Skowhegan	90 00
Oct.	1,	" 22 " Casco " " Portland	33 00
		Interest, \$10,000 Maine Central R. R. Co. 7's....	350 00
1903.			
Jan.	1,	Dividend, 22 shares Casco Nat. Bank, Portland	33 00
		" 24 " First " " "	72 00
Jan.	5,	" 30 " Second " " Skowhegan	90 00
Feb.	20,	Cash due Treasurer	3 34
			<hr/> \$1,188 75

PAYMENTS.

1902.			
Apr.	1,	Woman's Aid Society	\$250 00
July	1,	Interest on note	20 00
		Woman's Aid Society	250 00
Oct.	1,	" " "	250 00
Nov.	1,	Indorsed on note	150 00
1903.			
Jan.	1,	Interest on note	18 75
		Woman's Aid Society	250 00
			<hr/> \$1,188 75

FUNDS AS INVESTED FEB. 20, 1903.

<i>Description of Security.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Cost.</i>	<i>Carried at</i>	<i>Present value.</i>
Maine Central Railroad Co. 7's, 1912.....	\$10,000	\$13 200	\$11,400	\$12,800
30 shares Second Nat. Bank, Skowhegan,	3,000	3,300	3,050	3,300
24 " First " " Portland.....	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,500
22 " Casco " " "	2,200	2,299	2,200	2,300
16 " Nat. Shoe & Leather Bank, Auburn.....	1,600	1,840	1,600	1,600
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	\$19,200	\$23,039	\$20,650	\$22,500
Received from Coburn estate.....	\$20,000			
Note at Second National Bank ..	650			
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		\$20,650		

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES FELLOWS, *Treasurer.*

Park Commissioners.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

March third the town re-elected Mrs. Clementine A. Weston for Park Commissioner, to serve three years.

Work was begun, this year, in April, being similar to that having been done the past three years, clearing up the different parts from leaves and other debris, which must accumulate each year. More work than usual was required upon repairing roads and walks on account of the heavy rains during the season. The fences, seats, and shelters were repaired and the roofs of the shelters painted. Culverts were also repaired.

There was considerable grading done on different parts of the grounds, and many plants and shrubs were bought and set out. The surface of the Park inclosed by the first road was very uneven and it was necessary that the ground should be properly prepared in order that walks could be laid out. The ground was ploughed, harrowed, rolled and sowed with grass, and a new road was also made around this plat.

A little double building was put up on the bank for keeping tools and also for a closet. For the past three years we have sold the grass on the Park for \$20.00. This year there was none. Two trees have been given by Mrs. Elizabeth Burrell and Mrs. Clara B. Moore. A great number of plants were given by Mr. Danforth, the florist. From the Skowhegan Park Association, Mrs. Helen Doran, Treasurer, money was given to the Park Commissioners for the building of the buttresses at the entrance. Some sixty-three dollars is left toward building something permanent the coming season. An arc light has been put on the grounds. The Town Improvement Society donated five dollars to be expended by its committee in plants and shrubs for the north side. There is an abundance of work needed for the next year. Walks to be laid out, the new road to be finished, shrubs and trees to be put out on the newly finished plat, and there should be iron seats in this part as well as plants in beds, etc. We hope the town will help us to continue in the good work.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH L. EATON. Secretary.

Park Commissioners.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

1902.		
April.	Cash from town.....	\$300.00
"	" " treasurer of Skowhegan	
	Ladies' Park Association.	52.25
May 1.	" " Park Association—collected.	113.52
		<hr/> \$465.77

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for labor, including team,.....	\$326.25
lumber	9.65
water, six months.....	3.00
ashes, sand, phosphate and grass-seed	6.98
plants and seeds.....	5.85
sewer-pipe and work--Steward Bros..	2.76
Stone—L. W. Weston.....	5.88
express	4.70
cement, lampblack, nails, lead—Blunts	29.15
paint, glass, nails and oil—Rawles....	8.18
Balance—cash	63.37
	<hr/> \$465.77

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. PAGE, Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TOWN GOVERNMENT.

TO THE CITIZENS OF SKOWHEGAN:—

Since the publication of the report of this committee recommending the Town Council act for your consideration as an improvement upon the present form of town government the various discussions to which that report has given rise seem to demand another word from your committee. The committee carefully considered the question of a city charter and also of certain modifications in our town meeting and finally decided upon the Town Council form of government, as all things considered, the best for our citizens.

While at the present time our people are probably not ready for this important change we believe that there are certain steps in the line of improvement which may be made at once.

For these reasons your committee would make this supplemental report. A simple modification of the present form of town meeting such as would diminish some of the abuses seems the most feasible step at the present moment, and therefore your committee recommend that the town take such action as to bring about the following changes, and if necessary take steps to procure from the legislature a special act enabling them to make these changes.

First—that on the first Monday in March—or the second if the town shall so vote, no other business shall be transacted except the election of officers, that on that day the polls be opened from eight until five o'clock and that the check list be used.

Second—that at this meeting a committee of seven be elected to report upon all articles in the town warrant which shall seem to them to demand explanation or information in order that the voters may act intelligently upon them.

Third—that on the following Monday the town shall meet to consider and vote upon the business of the town as covered by the articles in the warrant.

Fourth—that the corporation be abolished and its affairs be united with those of the town proper.

O. R. BACHELLER,	LEWIS ANDERSON,
R. T. PATEN,	H. W. KIMBALL,
W. W. OAKES,	L. W. WESTON,
S. W. GOULD,	W. R. ELLIOTT.

Committee,

Warrant for Town Meeting.

*To Henry K. White, Constable of the Town of Skowhegan
in the County of Somerset,* GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Skowhegan qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at Coburn Hall in said town on Monday the second day of March, A. D. 1903, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles, to wit:

First. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Second. To choose a Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the poor, and all other officers required by law to be chosen at the annual March meeting.

Third. To see if the town will elect a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Fourth. To see if the town will elect a Superintendent of schools for the ensuing year.

Fifth. To see if the town will elect a Park Commissioner to serve three years.

Sixth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for making and repairing highways in said town and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Seventh. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of four hundred dollars, to be expended in repairing the Notch road—two hundred dollars to be refunded by the State, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Eighth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for making and repairing bridges and culverts in said town and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Ninth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for breaking snow roads the present winter, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Tenth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for support of the poor and defray town expenses for the ensuing year, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Eleventh. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the necessary repairs of cemeteries in town, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twelfth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to defray the expenses of Memorial day under such directions as may be deemed proper, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Thirteenth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of one hundred dollars to be expended for fence wire to be used for fencing in different localities, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Fourteenth. To see if the town will vote to light the bridges across the river in the village, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Fifteenth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the improvement of Coburn park and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Sixteenth. To see if the town will vote to support arc lights on Coburn park, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Seventeenth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the support of schools in said town for the ensuing year and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Eighteenth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to purchase text books and school supplies for the schools the ensuing year and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Nineteenth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for a Free High school the ensuing year and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twentieth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the repairs of school houses in said town the ensuing year, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twenty-first. To see if the town will vote to extend the macadamizing on Water street from the point where it now is macadamized near the juncture of Water and High streets easterly to the entrance of Coburn Park and raise a sum of money for the same, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twenty-second. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of eight hundred dollars for rebuilding the road across the Island, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twenty-third. To see if the town will vote to build a bridge across the Kennebec river at or near Kennebec street, in said town, and raise a sum of money for the same, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twenty-fourth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the purpose of replacing the bridge across the Wesserrunnet stream, on the Canaan road near S. F. Steward's and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twenty-fifth. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to introduce manual training into the schools.

Twenty-sixth. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of two hundred dollars, bequeathed to the inhabitants of said town by Huldah Parlin, late of Skowhegan, deceased, and hold the same in trust and apply the yearly income as per the terms

of said bequest, to the care of the Amos F. Parlin burial lot, in the North side cemetery, in said town.

Twenty-seventh. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of five hundred dollars bequeathed to the inhabitants of said town by Helen Robinson, late of Skowhegan, deceased, and hold the same in trust and apply the yearly income as per the terms of said bequest, to the care of the Helen Robinson burial lot in the cemetery in said town.

Twenty-eighth. To see if the town will vote to sell the cemetery lot on Parkman hill, or raise a sum of money for the purpose of fencing the same, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Twenty-ninth. To see what action the town will take relative to the Austin farm (so called) and the title to the same, and pass such votes in regard thereto as will enable the town officers to make conveyance of the rights of the town therein.

Thirtieth. To see if the town will vote to extend the sidewalk from a point near Dr. Pulsifer's office up Court street to High street, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Thirty-first. To see if the Town will vote to have our annual March meeting occur on the second Monday in March the fiscal year ending Feb. 20th.

Thirty-second. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of five hundred dollars for the Public Library and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Thirty-third. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay its school committee, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters on Saturday, February 28, 1903, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Given under our hands at Skowhegan, this twenty-third day of February, A. D. 1903.

R. F. PARKER,
S. H. BRADBURY,
A. H. WYMAN,
Selectmen of Skowhegan.