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TOWN OFFICERS.

ELECTED MARCH 11, 1889.

Moderator,
W. H. Parlin.

Town Clerk,
E. O. Kelly.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of Poor,
Elliott Wood, P. H. Snell, J. E. Lewis.

Treasurer,
John M. Benjamin.

Superintending School Committee,

Chief Engineer,
Charles A. Wing.

Road Commissioner,
C. H. Gale.

Collector,
A. C. Carr.

Constables,
A. C. Carr, C. J. Deal, S. G. Davis,
E. W. Wentworth, G. W. Glidden.
REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

To the Citizens of Winthrop:

We herewith submit our report for the municipal year ending March 10, 1890.

VALUATION AND TAX.

Total amount of real and personal estate, $1,038,180.00
Amount of tax on same, rate being 13.4 mills, 18,884.87
Whole number of polls 611 at $3.00, 1,833.00
Percentage paid for collecting, 2 per cent.

TOWN GRANTS.

Memorial day, $75.00
Library, 500.00
Support of schools, 1,800.00
Support of poor, 2,000.00
For highways, 3,500.00
Free high school, 250.00
Rebuilding Town Hall, 2,000.00
Hose company, 75.00
School house, Norcross district, 500.00

Total, $10,700.00

State tax, 3,100.81
County tax, 1,207.83
Overlayings, 709.23

Total, $5,017.87

Supplementary tax, $15,727.87

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance from last year, $127.29
Appropriated by town, 1,800.00
Appropriated by state, 1,034.30
Interest on school fund, 170.24

Total, $3,131.83

Amount expended, 2,791.72

Amount unexpended, $340.00
### FREE HIGH SCHOOL

Appropriated by town, $250 00
Amount due from state, 250 00

\[\text{Overdraft, } 20 \ 30 \quad \text{Expended, } 216 \ 66\]

\[\begin{array}{c}
\text{Total} \quad 500 \ 00 \\
\text{Unexpended, } 263 \ 04
\end{array}\]

### TOWN FARM

We employed Mr. A. N. Remick and wife to superintend the Town Farm, and it is sufficient to say they have sustained their excellent reputation in this position. Under their care the poor unfortunates at the farm are tenderly looked after and the interests of the town well served. There were at the farm at the beginning of the year nine persons. Ruth Bragdon came April 29th, H. Allie Torsey came June 19th. Nancy Carr died April 27th. Samuel T. Torsey and wife left the farm May 25th, and H. Allie Torsey left June 29th. There are now at the farm seven persons. Three tramps only have been lodged and fed this year. The following is a detailed statement of the farm management:

Schedule of personal property at the farm, $773 55
Paid for family supplies, 604 03
- grain for stock, 232 70
- fertilizer, 18 04
- oxen, 115 00
- express wagon, 40 00
- pung, 25 00

\[\text{Total: } 1,808 \ 32\]

Received for corn sold, $11 83
- cream, 140 90
- cheese, 162 40

Due for cream, 44 00
Received for pork, 90 00
Cash in hands of superintendent, 7 37
Schedule of personal property at farm, 974 25

\[\text{Total: } 1,870 \ 75\]

Balance against farm, $437 67
Salary of superintendent, 300 00
### Schedule of Personal Property at the Farm

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<td>1 pair oxen</td>
<td>$135.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 horse</td>
<td>$125.00</td>
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<td>2 shoats</td>
<td>$24.00</td>
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<td>7 cows</td>
<td>$210.00</td>
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<td>17 tons hay</td>
<td>$170.00</td>
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<td>½ ton straw</td>
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<td>200 pounds middlings</td>
<td>$2.40</td>
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<td>4 bushels meal</td>
<td>$1.90</td>
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<td>2 “ beans</td>
<td>$5.50</td>
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<td>10 “ potatoes</td>
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<td>350 pounds pork</td>
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<td>65 “ ham</td>
<td>$7.80</td>
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<td>60 “ lard</td>
<td>$7.20</td>
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<tr>
<td>11 “ butter</td>
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<td>1 barrel flour</td>
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<td>9 bushels ashes</td>
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<td>25 “ oats</td>
<td>$10.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 creamery</td>
<td>$20.00</td>
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<td>4 new milk cans</td>
<td>$8.00</td>
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<td>1 wagon</td>
<td>$40.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 pung</td>
<td>$25.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>30 cords wood</td>
<td>$120.00</td>
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$974.25

### Support of Poor Off Farm

Paid Sarah C. Welch for care of children of Charles Welch: $67.00
A. E. Brainard, sexton, services Nancy Carr: $9.50
City of Augusta support for children of Tom Frost: $48.00
Lizzie Day and family, town of Madison support Lizzie O. McGillian: $134.82
F. H. Mace, sexton, services digging grave for Miss Atkins: $4.00
A. E. Brainard, sexton, services for Miss Atkins: $2.50
C. W. Dillingham, casket and box for Miss Atkins: $20.00
J. G. Yeaton watchers furnished Mrs. Besse: $2.00
town Brighton support of Ruth Bragdon: $19.00
town Monmouth medical aid for H. A. Torsey: $15.00
Industrial School support of Minnie Laughton: $14.25
C. N. Taggart amputating arm and care of same, John Bauntain: $49.00
C. F. Jackson wood for John Barentin: $2.50
**CURRENT EXPENSES.**

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<tr>
<td>Paid C. D. Wood, services as Selectman,</td>
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<td>Thomas H. White, services as Selectman,</td>
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<td>P. H. Snell, services as Selectman,</td>
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<td>E. O. Kelley, services as Town Clerk,</td>
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<td>W. E. Berry, services as Truant Officer,</td>
<td>15.00</td>
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<td>L. T. Carleton, services as School Committee,</td>
<td>55.00</td>
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<td>W. H. Keith, services as School Committee,</td>
<td>15.00</td>
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<td>A. R. Crane, services as School Committee,</td>
<td>55.00</td>
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<td>E. O. Kelly, capture of Sower and Campell,</td>
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<td>C. A. Hoyt, capture of Sower and Campell,</td>
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<td>D. R. Hodgdon, capture of Sower and Campell,</td>
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<td>C. A. Wing, services as member Board of Health,</td>
<td>10.00</td>
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<td>Geo. R. Smith, member Board of Health,</td>
<td>10.00</td>
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<td>C. A. Cochran, expenses Board of Health,</td>
<td>17.84</td>
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<td>W. E. Berry, guarding against scarlet fever,</td>
<td>6.50</td>
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<td>Samuel Goodwin, guarding against scarlet fever,</td>
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<td>G. W. Glidden, guarding against scarlet fever,</td>
<td>64.00</td>
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<td>Geo. O. Packard, use of Packard Hall,</td>
<td>30.00</td>
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<td>E. R. Packard, printing town reports,</td>
<td>28.50</td>
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<td>Elliott Wood, feed furnished town farm,</td>
<td>94.63</td>
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<td>C. D. Wood, feed furnished town farm,</td>
<td>138.07</td>
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<td>Loring, Short &amp; Harmon, blank books,</td>
<td>8.00</td>
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<td>W. E. Berry, services as night watch,</td>
<td>6.00</td>
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<td>Thomas H. White, repairs on town farm house,</td>
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<td>Geo. H. Martin, material and building vault,</td>
<td>29.25</td>
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<td>F. Tinker, lumber for building vault,</td>
<td>3.31</td>
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<td>Elliott Wood, pauper expenses, postage, etc,</td>
<td>6.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>E. S. French, supplies furnished farm,</td>
<td>16.88</td>
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Paid A. N. Remick, services superintend farm to Oct.,
6th, 1889, 150 00
Alanson Perry, pair oxen, 115 00
Winthrop Mills Co., hose, by vote of town, 50 00
Geo. W. Bearce, support of watering tub, 3 00
H. V. Dudley, support of watering tub 2 years, 6 00
Samuel Jackson, supplies furnished farm, 46 91
John A. Stanley, printing cards for Town Hall, 75
C. E. Tuttle, services on farm, 175 00
Henry Penniman, goods furnished town farm, 66 32
J. G. Yeaton, goods furnished town farm, 18 70
J. E. Lewis, pauper expenses, etc., 8 25
A. H. Bailey, goods furnished town farm, 110 10
P. H. Snell, pauper expenses, etc., 5 20
W. E. Berry, care water hydrants, 12 30
Geo. H. Haynes, trucking lumber, 2 00
L. T. Carleton, professional services, 81 81
G. R. Smith, services on board of health, 25 00
C. A. Wing, services on board of health, 25 50
A. J. Crowell, goods furnished farm, 12 65
A. C. Carr, abatement of taxes, 152 61
A. C. Carr, collecting taxes, 315 10
A. P. Snow, medical examination, 2 00
L. C. Cobb, repairs town hall 1888, 24 42
C. H. Gale, cleaning up around hall after fire, 11 25
Sarah C. Welch, care Welch children, 6 00
Fred S. Jackson, stationery, 4 15

$2,338 50

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

Appropriation, $3,500 00
Overdrafts, 1889, $614 70
Snow bills, 1888-89, 142 80
Summer repairs, 3,251 84

$4,007 84

Overdraft, $507 84

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation, $75 00
Paid A. H. Frost Post, $75 00

CEMETERIES.

Unexpended balance last year, $257 14
Amount expended during year, 137 61

Balance, $99 53
PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriation, $500 00
Expended and paid on vouchers, $500 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Balance from last year, $7 04
Appropriated by town, 75 00
Paid hose company, $82 04
Balance, 75 00

Balance, $7 04

NORCROSS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Appropriated by town, $500 00
Paid D. H. Maxim, $500 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1880, Abial Chandler, $3 00
1882, H. M. Hannaford, 2 00
‘‘ S. H. Joy, 1 93 .80
‘‘ O. H. Stanley, 3 00
‘‘ Leonard Barber, — .80
‘‘ Charles F. Stain, — .80
1883, Abial Chandler, 4 00
‘‘ S. H. Joy, 3 00
‘‘ James Warren, 3 00
1884, Abial Chandler, 4 05 .55
‘‘ Adolph Fortier, 3 00 .53
‘‘ S. H. Joy, 3 00 .53
‘‘ Peter Mayo, 3 00 .53
‘‘ Frank Pyor, 3 00 .53
‘‘ Geo. Reed, 3 00 .53
‘‘ O. H. Stanley, 3 00 .53
1885, Abial Chandler, 3 00
‘‘ Albert Bradford, 3 00
‘‘ I. D. Hodgdon, 3 00
‘‘ S. H. Joy, 3 00
‘‘ L. H. Snell, 3 90
1886, Abial Chandler, 3 00
‘‘ S. H. Joy, 3 00
‘‘ Alex Martin, 3 00
‘‘ H. H. Stevens, 1 00
‘‘ Fred Walters, 3 00
1887, Geo. F. Albee, 2.50
### GENERAL STATEMENT.

#### LIABILITIES.

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<td><strong>&quot;</strong> Bailey Hill loan,</td>
<td>200 00</td>
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<td><strong>&quot;</strong> Rebuilding Town Hall loan,</td>
<td>1,300 00</td>
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<td>Interest on notes (estimated).</td>
<td>85 00</td>
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<td>Bills of town officers, (estimated),</td>
<td>700 00</td>
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<td>Snow bills, (estimated),</td>
<td>200 00</td>
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<td>Outstanding orders,</td>
<td>43 31</td>
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<td>Unsettled bills,</td>
<td>400 00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$7,328 31</strong></td>
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RESOURCES.

Due from A. C. Carr, collector, $886 59
  " State of Maine, 1,179 40
  " non-resident taxes, (uncollected), 284 39
Cash on hand, 3,119 95
Balance against the town, 1,857 98

$7,328 31

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIOTT WOOD, P. H. SNELL, J. E. LEWIS,
Selectmen of Winthrop.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

1890—Feb. 27.
Cash balance from last report, $3,092 02
Received of A. C. Carr, Collector, 11,673 41
"  " State school fund and mill tax, 1,014 54
"  "  " for free high school, 250 00
"  "  " R. R. tax and on E. & N.A.R.R. 16 90
"  "  " burial expenses deceased soldier, 34 50
"  "  " pensions reimbursed, 396 00
"  "  " R. R. and telegraph tax, 66 63
"  " in loan for repair of town hall, 1,300 00
" collected on non-resident tax of 1888, 152 03
" cash on account of "Fairbanks fund," 50 00
" Cash for use of town hall, 64 70
" license for dramatic show, 2 00
" of S. Robinson for cemetery lot, 5 00
"  " Presque Isle, support of W. H. Brown, 72 75
"  " Richmond, support of J. W. Lint, 2 28

$18,132 76

EXPENDITURES.

Paid orders on account of support of poor, etc. $3,998 28
"  "  "  "  "  " schools, 3,114 39
"  "  "  "  "  " highways, 3,403 64
"  "  " Memorial Day appropriation, 75 00
"  "  " building school-house, 500 00
"  "  " appropriation for public library, 500 00
"  "  " for repairs to town hall, 3,272 48
" interest on town loans, 212 50
" water loan note, 150 00
" bounty on crows, 3 10
" State pensions, 168 00
Non-resident taxes of 1889, returned by Collector, 225 47
Cash in treasury, 3,119 95

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<td>Loan for grading and repairing Bailey Hill,</td>
<td>200 00</td>
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<td>Loan for repairs to town hall,</td>
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The balance against the town will be increased by payment of outstanding orders and unliquidated claims, and the report of the Selectmen is referred to for an estimate of the same.

J. M. BENJAMIN, Treasurer.

Winthrop, Feb. 28, 1890.

We have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

ELLIOTT WOOD, Selectmen
P. H. SNELL, of
J. E. LEWIS, Winthrop
CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the Citizens of Winthrop:

I herewith submit another—my fifth annual—report of the condition and operations of the Fire Department for the municipal year 1889.

It has been an unexceptionally favorable year relative to fires, as the department has not been called out even for the first time to this writing (February 25th), but have held themselves ready at any moment to respond when occasion should call.

The Department is still operated by Payson Tucker Hose Co., which keeps up its organization fully, and holds its meetings monthly as per its by-laws, for the transaction of any and all business of a legitimate nature, with a membership of twenty-five good and efficient men, the same ones composing it last year, except W. E. Whitman and J. E. Clark, who have left town, and their places filled with two good men unanimously elected by the Company.

At the annual meeting E. S. French was elected foreman in place of J. G. Yeaton, who served the previous year with entire acceptance to the company and citizens, and W. J. Bonney, secretary and treasurer, succeeding E. S. French, who had filled the positions with his usual faithfulness and cheerfulness and outspoken way of putting matters of interest and importance.

W. E. Berry is still in charge of the hose house and all the apparatus connected with the department, discharging his duties faithfully and satisfactorily as in years past.

The expenses of the Department have been small, as you will see by the report of the Selectmen.

The compensation voted by the town for the services of the Company, while not large, was a stimulus to them, enabling them to feel that their services were appreciated, as they could
not feel otherwise, and it is to be hoped the town will have no desire to go back on such recognition during the year to come.

No purchases have been made for the department during the year, as the favorable circumstances in the case called for none.

The Company has from time to time tested the works by putting on the pumps and trying the pipes and hydrants by putting water through them all and finding them all in good working condition, and the hydrants have been examined, oiled, opened and closed, to see that the cold weather and frost has not affected them unfavorably, as often as once a week during the cold weather.

In closing, I wish again to renew my thanks to the officers and members of the Company for their continued cheerful and prompt support, as they have been called upon from time to time, and to our assistant engineer, Levi Jones, for his readiness to co-operate when called upon, for consultation or otherwise, as well as the Selectmen for their readiness to accede to reasonable demands for what seemed to be necessary for the efficiency of the department.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. WING, Chief Engineer.

Winthrop, Feb. 25, 1890.
Report of Public Library Committee.

To the citizens of Winthrop:

The following report for the year ending March, 1890, is respectfully submitted:

As was announced in the last report, a determined effort has been made by the members of the High School and others interested for the establishment of a Public Library in our town.

Some $600 was generously pledged by subscription, and with equal generosity the citizens at the last annual meeting appropriated $500 more.

With this, a very good nucleus for a library has been obtained, which only needs a small annual appropriation by the town to develop until it shall become a source of pride to our citizens.

Very pleasant and convenient rooms have been found in Packard Block, and arrangements made for utilizing a portion of them for a reading room.

Donations in the way of magazines and papers will be gladly received for this department.

The Library numbers at present 1,122 volumes, and it is hoped that during the coming year the number will be increased to two thousand.

Catalogues of these books have been carefully prepared, and will be ready for distribution at an early day.

With a view of making the Library self-supporting, so far as its running expenses are concerned, the committee have deemed it best to charge the small sum of one dollar for a yearly ticket, or two cents per week for each book taken out. No one can object to the payment of so small an amount for the privileges afforded.

It is very gratifying to be able to report that the Library has been well patronized. The number of regular patrons is 175, while 246 different families have taken out books. Since the
Library was opened to the public, July 8, 1889, over 3500 different books have been taken out.

In order that this interest may be kept up and increased, it is necessary that new books be added each year, and your committee would earnestly recommend that an appropriation of $150 be made for this purpose.

Below we give a financial statement:

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L. T. CARLETON,  
W. H. KEITH,  
C. L. ANDREWS,  

Library Committee.
TOWN HALL REPAIRS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The following votes were passed at the last annual town meeting:

Voted, to raise the sum of $2,000.00 to rebuild the town hall and to instruct the selectmen to hire $2,000.00, so much thereof as shall be necessary to be used to complete town hall and furnish it.

L. T. Carleton, H. Penniman and Levi Jones were chosen a committee to expend the above amount in rebuilding town hall, according to plans by the architect. The committee employed the old and well-known architect, Mr. Fassett, of Portland, who had been employed by the town to examine the foundations and walls of the ruins, as to the feasibility of repairing the same. Mr. Fassett prepared plans and specifications and the committee advertised for bids for doing the work in the Kennebec and Lewiston Journals and the Winthrop Budget. Six bids were presented as follows:

F. I. Bishop, Winthrop, $4,190 00
F. Tinker, Winthrop, 3,500 00
William Wing, Jr., Augusta, 3,328 50
Maxim & Morriss, Winthrop, 2,960 00
J. B. Shaw, Augusta, 2,895 00
Jewett & Nichols, Augusta, 2,715 00

The contract was therefore awarded to Jewett & Nichols, the lowest bidder. The work was performed under the direction of the architect and to his general satisfaction. That the contractors lost heavily is generally understood, but that the work done and materials furnished was in accordance with the plans and specifications substantially, is vouched for by the architect, and
the citizens of the town are to be congratulated that they now have a town hall in every way suitable to their wants.

The furnishing of the hall, such as lamps, chandelier, curtains for the stage, and settees, cost the sum of $476.47.

When the ice melted in the cellar it was found that the cellar walls must of necessity be repaired and strengthened, and something done to prevent the flow of water into the cellar and freezing of the same. The cellar was entirely repaired, a trench dug entirely around the east side and north end of the building to a depth below the bottom of the cellar and a substantial stone and tile drain laid, and the water is effectually prevented from flowing into the cellar. New double windows were procured for the cellar. The furnace had to be removed and rebuilt, new timbers to replace rotten ones in the ground floor, the roof given a paint of fire-proof, and all this cost the sum of $212.18; so that with the architect's bill of $105.02, your committee has expended the sum of $3,509.67. We did not feel authorized by the vote of the town to use any part of the appropriation in grading the grounds or repairing Towle Academy, so called. This would add much to the looks and perhaps durability of the town's property, and will no doubt be fully attended to by the proper officers of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

L. T. CARLETON,
H. PENNIMAN,
LEVI JONES,

Committee.
REPORT OF S. S. COMMITTEE.

We submit the following report for the year ending March, 1890:

The census was taken as required by law, on the first of April, 1889, and it was found that there were 556 school children in town between the ages of 4 and 21 years.

The amount of money placed at our disposal for the maintenance of schools for the year was as follows:

From the annual appropriation, $1,800.00
" fund, 170.00
" State, 1,014.54
Free high school, 500.00

$3,484.78

UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

EAST WINTHROP.

Summer term, M. Alice Robbins, teacher. Whole number of scholars 26; average attendance 23. Fall term, same teacher. Number of scholars 29; average attendance 25. Winter term, same teacher.—Number of scholars 26; average attendance 23.

WINNISIOT CENTER.

Summer term, Alice M. Waugh, teacher.—No. of scholars 29; average attendance 23. Fall term, same teacher.—No. of scholars 28; average attendance 25. Winter term, same teacher six weeks and was then obliged to leave on account of "La Grippe;" Alice M. Robbins finished the term.—No. of scholars 26; average attendance 23.

SNEILL SCHOOL.

Summer term, Annie L. Bearce, teacher.—No. of scholars 31; average attendance 26. Fall term, Mabel S. Robbins, teacher.—No. of scholars 30; average attendance 26. Winter term, N. G. Foster, teacher.—No. of scholars 28; average attendance 20.

HOWARD NEIGHBORHOOD.

Summer term, Louise B. Lacroix, teacher.—No. of scholars 16; average attendance 14. Fall term, same teacher.—No. of scholars 18; average attendance 14. Winter term, C. J. Nichols, teacher.—No. of scholars 18; average attendance 14.
Maranocook District.

Winter term, George L. Coffin, teacher.—No. of scholars 13; average attendance 10.

Kimball District.

Fall term, M. Ellen Alden, teacher.—No. of scholars 8; average attendance 7.

Sturtevant Hill.

Summer term, Archie G. Axtell, teacher.—No. of scholars 14; average attendance 6. Fall term, Grace Gatchell, teacher.—No. of scholars 11; average attendance 6 1-2.

Mt. Pisgah.

Summer term, Miss Mabel S. Robbins, teacher.—No. of scholars 7; average attendance 5. Fall term, Lucia C. Chandler, teacher.—No. of scholars 8; average attendance 6. Winter term, same teacher.—No. of scholars 9; average attendance 6.

Graded Schools.

Primary Department.

Summer term, Miss Olive Robbins, teacher.—No. of scholars 72; average attendance 64. Fall term, Miss Mary E. Eaton, teacher.—No. of scholars 62; average attendance 50. Winter term.—No. of scholars 58; average attendance 55 1-2.

Intermediate School.

Miss Kate A. Hegarty, teacher for the entire term. Summer term.—No. of scholars 39; average attendance 33. Fall term.—No. of scholars 34; average attendance 31. Winter term.—No. of scholars 38; average attendance 34.

Grammar School.

Summer term, Mr. N. C. Akers, teacher.—No. of scholars 37; average attendance 32. Fall term, Mr. W. J. Trefethen, teacher.—No. of scholars 50; average attendance 45. Winter term, same teacher.—No. of scholars 42; average attendance 39.

Free High School.

Mr. F. E. Russell, teacher entire year. Summer term.—No. of scholars 40; average attendance 37. Fall term.—No. of scholars 44; average attendance 42. Winter term.—No. of scholars 41; average attendance 37. Number of different scholars for the year 59; average attendance for the year 38. This school has now in reality become the free high school of the town, as is shown by the fact that of the fifty-nine different scholars who
have attended during some portion of the year, thirty-four are from districts outside of the village. Two years ago the whole registered yearly attendance was twenty-seven.

The present course of study compares favorably with other high schools in the state. The 2nd of July last a class of six was graduated as follows: Lucia C. Chandler, Grace Gatchell, M. Ellen Alden, George L. Coffin, Clarence Perley and George Woodward. The graduating exercises, which were held in Packard Hall, were of a high order. His Excellency, Governor Burleigh, honored the occasion by his presence and awarded the diplomas. The appreciation of the citizens was shown by a crowded hall and the closest attention. Of the graduates, four have since taught school in town, and one will have completed his preparation to enter college at the close of the year. The work of the school is taken up in a thorough and practical manner, and this school furnishes as good advantages to those desiring an education as can be found elsewhere and with much less expense. It is sufficient to say that Mr. Russell gives entire satisfaction. The teachers have all performed their work well. We were sorry to lose Miss Robins from the primary school, as we were obliged to at the close of the spring term, but were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Eaton, of Wilton. It has been our policy to retain, as far as possible, experienced teachers; and so Miss Lacroix, who has taught eight terms in the Howard district, the Misses Robbins, Miss Hegarty and Mrs. Waugh, were retained, and we feel safe in saying that the schools for the year have been equally as beneficial and of as high an order as heretofore.

By an enactment of the last legislature, after August 1st next, the town will be obliged to furnish text books to all the scholars free of charge. Your committee have made an estimate of the amount of money that will be required for this purpose, and think that the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars will be sufficient. It is recommended that a sufficient quantity of land be acquired near Haskell's corner and the school-house either in the Howard or Kimball district be moved upon it, thus accommodating both of these neighborhoods with one school. An article in the warrant for town meeting will call the attention of the town to this important matter; this desirable change can be effected with light expense.

We desire to call the attention of parents to the good that will result to the schools, provided they will manifest their interest in them by personal attendance in the school room occasionally. Every parent should visit the school room at least
once each term. That we have good schools every one will admit, but constant improvement can be had and parents can contribute largely to this desirable result.

L. T. CARLETON, S. S. Committee
W. H. KEITH, of
C. L. ANDREWS, Winthrop.

Feb. 28th, 1890.
TOWN WARRANT.

Article 1. To choose a moderator.
Art. 2. To choose all necessary town officers.
Art. 3. To raise money for support of schools.
Art. 4. To raise money for support of poor and other town charges.
Art. 5. To raise money for repair of highways.
Art. 6. To raise money to discharge indebtedness of town.
Art. 7. To raise money for a free high school.
Art. 8. To raise a sum of money for Memorial Day.
Art. 9. To raise a sum of money for Payson Tucker Hose Company.
Art. 10. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on Green street.
Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to move the school-house on Sturtevant Hill to a point near Gray’s Corner.
Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to build a school-house near Gray’s Corner.
Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to have the front doors of the school-house in the village hung so that they will swing outward.
Art. 14. To raise a sum of money for the public library.
Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to purchase a piano for use in the Town Hall.
Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to build a barn on the town farm.
Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to locate and move one of the school-houses in the Howard or Kimball neighborhoods to a point near Haskell’s Corner.
Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to build water closets, and to purchase or lease a lot for the same, for the use of the school-house in the village.
Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to enlarge the burying ground at East Winthrop.
Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to defray the expenses of such enlargement.
Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to build a receiving tomb at East Winthrop and raise money to defray the expenses thereof.
Art. 22. To see if the town will raise a sum of money, not exceeding $200, to pay for frescoing the Town Hall.
Art. 23. To hear reports and choose and instruct committees.
Art. 24. To allow accounts against the town.
JOHN A. STANLEY, Editor and Proprietor.

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