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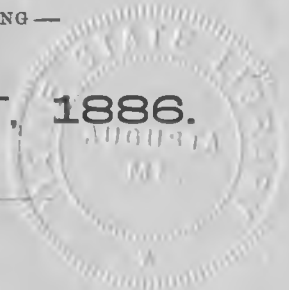
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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

To the Citizens of Fryeburg :

We herewith submit our annual report of the expenditures of your money, for the year closing February 20, 1886. Town reports owing partly to their brevity are blind things; most likely this will be. We have endeavored to have this understood. We try to economize, and make the burden of taxes lighter, but at the ending of the year, bills of various kinds amount to a larger sum than is anticipated. Our first work was in preparing this report, to examine the treasurers books, which we have carefully done, from his first years' service (1869,) up to the present time, and find in the sixteen continuous years that Mr. Locke has held this responsible office, his books show an account with the town, to be just and correct. The natural question of a tax payer to ask, is, how does our town stand financially ; cannot tell you precisely why ? what we think to be true recourses, are not always fully realized ; as in collections, returned highway taxes, &c. Some bills may yet be outstanding. Will give you nearly as possible, all the facts :

To begin. There has been \$12,000 of the old 5 per cent. R. R. Bonds refunded at 4 per cent. bearing interest from Sept. 1, 1885. this interest will amount, March 1, 1886, to \$220. Total, \$12,220. There remains of the 5 per cent bonds, \$8,800 unpaid. The interest to March 1, is, \$293.33, amounting to \$9,193.33, which makes our bonded debt March 1, 1886, \$21,313.33. Were there not so much money uncollected, the Treasurer would have retired more of these bonds. We think it better to pay orders issued for current expenses, than have them put on interest ; you have to do one or the other, and in the latter case, we should be troubled with outstanding orders bearing 6 per cent. interest. All the outstanding ones we have, are those issued within the last six weeks, none bearing interest. We did not know until quite recently, that any note was held against the town. Oct. 14, 1880, there was hired of Mrs Olive Warren \$100, to pay for repairing the Gibson Bridge ; this with interest is \$132.50

We now add all outstanding bills, and in doing so, think we have omitted any, yet there may be some small ones out; they amount to \$1,180.82. There are outstanding coupons \$25.00; outstanding orders, \$321.47. The footings of the foregoing items, amount to, \$22,840.62, as will be shown in the Treasurers report. There is due from F. A. Wiley, in his collections of four years past, \$960.35. From collector of 1885, \$3,736.23. Cash on hand, \$394.63. Due from State School Fund, \$724.58, For State Pensions advanced, \$27. We have in Tax Deeds, \$691.49. There is in hands of D. R. Hastings, \$29.78. The resources foot up \$6,564.06. Now, as nearly as we can get at it. the Town owes, \$16,276.56.

TOWN VALUATION FOR 1886.

Real Estate,	\$539,855
Personal Estate,	150,114
Total	<u>\$689,969</u>

AMOUNTS ASSESSED.

State Tax	\$2,990.60
County Tax	867.99
Town with Overlay	5,252.93
Total	<u>\$9,111.53</u>

Number of taxable polls, 475.

GENERAL ORDERS DRAWN FOR THE PAST YEAR.

1885.

Feb.	21, F. C. Evans, to settle land damages. new town road to Dr Buzzell's place	\$100 00
Mar.	22, Orren Charles, abatement of tax on 4 oxen; same was paid in Albany, N. H.; 1881	1 87
	23, Fred W. Powers, services as Supervisor of Schools, 1884	75 00
	23, F. W. Powers, extra work in getting text books into schools	25 00
April	3, John Locke, services as Treasurer for 1884	35 00
	6, Thomas S. McIntire, services as Town Clerk, recording births, constable's fees, &c., 1884	22 40
	10, Seth W. Fife, term fees in suits, W. B. Hutchins vs. Fryeburg	24 00
	10, James E. Hutchins, abatement of tax on land sold N. W. Bennett	3 00

April	15, Ward B. Hutchins, to settle suit for damages received in crossing Weston bridge; in part.	130 00
	20, J. A. Jones, services as Selectman, 1884.....	75 00
	24, Dexter Wiley, balance of salary as master of poorfarm from Apr. 1, 1884 to Apr. 1, 1885.	100 00
May	16, John Locke, paid for printing Town Reports..	19 26
July	13, David Morton, cutting stone for water drains, 1884.....	5 00
Aug.	4, J. L. Farrington, error in assessments for 1884.	20
	4, D. D. Carlton, services as Selectman.....	70 00
	10, T. L. Eastman, for postage	1 25
Sept.	9, to abatement on cottages on camp ground; over valued :	
	P. Brackett.....	62
	W. B. Nutter.....	62
	Henry Nutter.....	62
	E. T. Nutter.....	62
	Thomas McLary.....	62
	Nathaniel Waterhouse	62
	James Goodwin.....	62
	T. H. Johnson	62
	Geo. W. Kimball.....	93
	John Parsons.....	62
	23, Eva D. Walker, recording valuation and tax..	12 00
Oct.	14, Kendall & Whitney, drain pipe, Nov. 1884, and Aug. 1885.....	111 39
	14, Hoyt, Fogg & Donham, town books.....	9 04
Nov.	3, F. W. Powers, part of salary as Supervisor of Schools for 1885.....	50 00
	20, John Locke, cash paid for advertising non-resident taxes.....	12 00
Dec.	18, Henry Cole, abatement of poll tax, same was paid in Boston.....	1 75
	23, John Locke, cash paid for new town bond blanks	16 50
	1886.	
Jan.	2, F. A. Wiley, poundage on collections of 1883.	100 10
	2, Albert Colby, abatement on returned highway tax.....	3 35
	2, F. A. Wiley, abatement of taxes, collections of 1881, 1882, 1883 and 1884.....	75 03
	9, John C. Gerry, stationery. &c.....	2 58
	27, C. H. Walker, cash paid freight on drain pipe.	7 82
	27, C. H. Walker, services as Selectman for 1885.	85 00
	27, Fryeburg Water Co., water for public fountain, 1885.....	10 00

Feb. 15,	Samuel Dearborn, for cleaning Town House, year of 1883.....	2 00
15,	F. A. Wiley, abatement of taxes, collections of 1883 and 1884.....	16 90
15,	Gilbert Kennison, damage to sleigh in crossing Weston's bridge, year of 1882 ..	3 00
16,	S. A. Page, for rent of office stove for three years past.....	2 00
17,	Wilson Webb, for painting and lettering sign boards	4 50
Total.....		<u>\$1,343 45</u>

POOR FARM.

There are six inmates of the poor house that have been supported each the entire year, making 312 weeks, at a cost of \$2.20 per week.

POOR FARM EXPENSES.

There will be due the Poor Farm Master, April 1, 1886. \$300 00.

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SUPPLIES, &C.

1885.		
May	5, E. P. Weston & Co., supplies.....	\$54 59
	28, Dexter Wiley, for extra woman's help.....	4 00
Aug.	3, Albert Wiley, for labor at haying.....	27 00
	8, E. P. Weston, supplies ..	56 04
Oct.	29, John Ward, cart wheel, repairs, &c ..	29 25
Dec.	18, E. P. Weston & Co., supplies.....	85 03
1886.		
Jan.	15, Wm. C. Towle, medical attendance.....	5 00
	26, C. H. Tebbetts, supplies.....	10 26
Feb.	13, F. Y. Bradley, pasturing stock.....	20 50
	16, S. A. Page, two stoves, repairs, &c.....	47 41
	17, E. P. Weston, supplies.....	38 96
	17, Shirley & Cousius, super-phosphate and sawing wood	11 25
	19, C. H. Walker, grain.....	9 05
Total		<u>\$398 34</u>

We were obliged to buy this year, for the house, a new cooking stove and one box stove. In computing the cost per week of the inmates, we reckon from what is paid out or to be paid.

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

STOCK, PROVISIONS, HAY AND GRAIN.

2 oxen.....	\$125 00
4 cows.....	120 00
7 three year old.....	170 00
1 two year old.....	15 00
2 one year old.....	20 00
2 swine.....	12 00
14 tons hay.....	165 00
20 bushels corn.....	14 00
30 bushels oats.....	12 00
8 bushels beans.....	12 00
50 bushels potatoes.....	25 00
300 pounds pork.....	27 00
100 pounds ham.....	10 00
60 pounds lard.....	6 00
Total.....	<u>\$733 00</u>

HELP TO POOR AWAY FROM FARM.

1885.	
April 3,	John Locke, house rent for Jas. Ela, 1884..... \$36 00
May 5,	E. P. Weston, supplies for Sewell Richardson's family..... 13 86
June 26,	Marshal Walker, boarding and clothing Mrs. Daniel Smith's boy one year..... 52 00
1886.	
Jan. 15,	Wm. C. Towle, medical attendance to poor.... 17 75
Total.....	<u>\$119 61</u>

REPAIRS OF BRIDGES.

1885.		ORDERS DRAWN.	
March 2.	Nutter, Fox & Co., Plank for Harbor Bridge,	\$	5.28
June 5.	David Morton, for re-building Bank Wall and Stone furnished Weston's Bridge.....		118.00
Oct. 7.	E. S. Chase, repairing the boarding to Watson's Bridge in 1883.....		1.75
1886.			
Jan. 15.	David Morton, repairs to Weston's, damage caused by ice.....		1.50
Feb. 8.	Austin Bemis, repairing Mill Bridge and Harbor.....		28.50
10.	Wm. H. Wiswell, drawing Shingles for Hemlock, 1884.....		4.50

Feb. 15.	Wyman Hamden, repairing Elkin's Brook Bridge....	12.00
15.	Frank Locke, for Bridge Plank,.....	41.50
15.	J. B. Fellows, Railing Frye Bridge.....	7.00
19.	Shirley & Cousius, for Bridge Plank, for 1883 and 1885.....	17.24
Total.....		\$237.27

HIGHWAY BILLS.

ORDERS DRAWN TO PAY BILLS, CERTIFIED TO BY THE SEVERAL
DISTRICT SURVEYORS.

1885.

Apr. 8.	John Webster, District No. 8.....	\$ 5.00
9.	Edward McIntire " 11.....	5.25
9.	Baily Knight, " 18.....	6.25
21.	Caleb Pilsbury, " 5.....	1.25
6.	H. J. Pendexter, " 6.....	3 87
Aug. 10.	Wm. A. Douglass, " 6.....	3.75
15.	A. R. Jenness, " 2.....	16.50
31.	C. T. Shortridge, " 16.....	2.58
Sept. 7.	Charles Haley, " 16.....	3.25
9.	Frank Knox, " 12.....	8.12
21.	Samuel Evans, " 3.....	9.20
Oct. 3.	John C. Harriman, " 5.....	8.50
22.	B. C. Chadborne, " 17.....	1.00
22.	Eugene Chadborne, " 17.....	1.43
22.	N. H. Quincy, " 17.....	3.75
22.	C. H. Osgood, " 16.....	12.00
Nov. 7.	Moses Smith, " 15.....	3.00
7.	F. C. Haley, " 16.....	8.50
14.	Lewis Howe, " 14.....	5.00
Dec. 10.	David Meserve, " 13.....	7.25
18.	E. W. Barker, " 12.....	11.25

1886.

Jan. 1.	F. W. Day, " 11.....	1.93
1.	Oreu W. Osgood, " 2, 3 and 11.....	17.25
2.	F. W. Powers, " 3.....	4.87
11.	E. W. Barker, " 12.....	8 50
15.	Appleton Knight, " 12.....	2.00
15.	Jas. D. Meserve, " 5.....	1.70
26.	Thomas Sands, " 16.....	1.25
Feb 15.	Abel Sauborn, " 6.....	5.00
15.	Daniel Willey, " 16, (1884.).....	10.50
15.	A. Sands, " 16.....	1.25

15.	Abiel Smith,	"	5, (1883),	1.00
15.	Dean A. Ballard,	"	8,	2.00
15.	D. B. Hill, Stone for Culvert, District No. 8,			8.00
17.	A. V. Stevens, Labor,	"	11,	3.75
17.	Wm. H. Wiswell, Labor,	"	11,	2 50
Total,				\$198.20

ORDERS DRAWN FOR EXTRA HIGHWAY EXPENSES,
CAUSED BY THE GREAT RAIN OF AUGUST 1885.

1885.

Oct. 29,	Henry Walker, for re-building Culvert and filling, on Bridgton Road,	\$100.00
Nov. 9,	Eben Fessenden, for repairs to Roads, in District No. 5,	32.25
9,	John Locke, for cash paid David Marston, for making Culvert on Lovell Road,	28.25

1886.

Feb. 9,	A. H. Evans, Work, in District No. 2,	14.77
13,	Samuel Evans, same,	28.00
15,	J. A. Jones, Labor, and Cash, paid for repairs on roads, in District No. 8	33.12
15,	D. D. Carlton, for Travel, Labor &c,	11.88
15,	W. H. Walker, Labor,	15.00
17,	A. V. Stevens,	5.00
17,	E. L. Brown, Night Watchman, at washout near F, Skilling's place	1.50

SCHOOL BOOK MATTERS.

In 1884, the Town raised four hundred dollars for the purchase of Text Books, for our Common Schools

There was expended last year,	\$237 38
There has been expended this year, (in orders,)	81.72
Outstanding Bills	30.00

Total	\$349.10
Balance unexpended,	\$50.90

RECAPITULATION.

We find under the several heads for the year ending Feb. 20, 1886, the footings are:

General orders	\$1,343 45
Support of poor at farm	398 34

Support of poor away from farm.....	119
Repairs of bridges.....	237 27
Extra road repairs.....	269 77
Highway bills.....	198 20
School books.....	81 72
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Total.....	\$2,648 36

OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Due master of poor farm.....	\$ 300 00
Ward B. Hutchins.....	50 00
Mrs Olive Warren, note of \$100, date of Oct. 14, 1880, and interest.....	132 50
W. R. Tarbox, office rent and wood.....	10 00
C. H. Walker, selectman.....	85 00
J. A. Jones, selectman.....	75 00
D. D. Carlton, selectman.....	75 00
John Locke, treasurer.....	35 00
T. S. McIntire, clerk.....	15 00
F. W. Powers, supervisor, balance, (the supervisor claims \$15 00 more).....	25 00
F. A. Wiley, collection account.....	96 79
John Locke, house rent for James Ela.....	36 00
School book bill.....	30 00
Randall Hastings' collection fees and abatements will be..	166 03
Estimated abatements.....	30 00
Printing reports, 1885 and 1886.....	19 00
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Total.....	\$1,180 00

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS.

DIST. NO. 1—A. O. PIKE, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 36 81
By amount apportioned 1885.....	300 00
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	\$336 81
1885.	
Dec. 28, To orders for Hattie Abbott.....	\$72 00
1886.	
Jan. 2, To F. A. Wiley for seats.....	9 00
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	\$ 81 00

DIST. NO. 2—A. R. JENNESS, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 19 52
By amount apportioned 1885.....	175 00
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	\$194 52

1885.

Nov. 7, To orders for Mary Abbott.....	\$60 00	
30, To orders for A. R. Jenness, repairs, &c..	21 25	
Dec. 23, To orders for Hattie Pike, vocal music instruction.....	5 25	
		<u>\$ 86 40</u>

DIST. NO. 3—N. J. PENDEXTER, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$2 18
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This district united with No. 6 and supported one school for 1885.

DIST. NO. 4—EBEN FESSENDEN, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 7 00
By amount apportioned 1885.....	85 00
	<u>\$ 92 00</u>

1885.

Aug. 4, To order for Lettie Snow, teacher.....	\$20 00
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1886.

Feb. 4, To order for Eben Fessenden.....	21 00
11, To order for Minnie Gore.....	42 00
	<u>\$ 83 00</u>

DIST. NO. 5—C. H. WALKER, AGENT.

By amount apportioned 1885.....	\$ 55 00
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1885.

Nov. 4, To order for Eva Walker, teacher.....	\$28 00
	<u>\$ 28 00</u>

DIST. NO. 6—B. C. CHADBORNE, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 21 73
By amount apportioned 1885.....	175 00
	<u>\$196 73</u>

1885.

July 31, To order for Carrie Chadborne, teacher...	\$32 00
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31, To order for Eugene Chadborne, board....	8 00
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31, To order for B. C. Chadborne, repairs....	15 00
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Oct. 12, To order for Jas. Chadborne.....	7 20
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Nov. 20, To order for Hulda Hobbs, teacher.....	28 00
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1886.

Feb. 10, To order for Westou Hobbs.....	3 50
	<u>\$ 93 70</u>

DIST. NO. 7—GEO. H. WALKER, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$13 53
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By amount apportioned 1885.....	85 00
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\$ 98 53

1885.

July 6, To order for Helen Walker, teacher.....	\$24 00
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Aug. 10, To order for Geo. Walker, board.....	14 40	
Nov. 7, To order for Helen Walker.....	24 00	
7, To order for Geo. Walker.....	16 40	
		\$ 72 80

DIST. NO. 8—WARD HUTCHINS, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 15 13	
By amount apportioned 1885.....	175 00	
		\$190 13

1885.

Aug. 12, To order for Cassie Hutchins, teacher....	\$72 00	
Dec. 23, To order for C. B. March, teacher.....	66 00	
28, To order for N. R. Hardy, board.....	24 75	

1886.

Feb. 9, To order for Stephen Farrington, wood....	4 00	
		\$166 75

DIST. NO. 9—J. A. JONES, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 72	
By amount apportioned 1885.....	95 00	
		\$ 95 72

1885.

July 18, To order for M. F. Towle, teacher.....	\$40 00	
Nov. 28, To order for Sara Towle.....	52 00	
		\$ 92 00

DIST. NO. 10—J. I. GREENLAW, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 30 74	
By amount apportioned 1885.....	220 00	
		\$250 74

1885.

July 11, To order for Nettie Wiley, teacher.....	\$68 85	
Nov. 7, To order for Lulu Hoyt, teacher.....	42 00	
Dec. 19, To order for W. G. Martin, teacher.....	30 00	

1886.

Jan. 2, to order Ira Seavey, bill for board Feb. 27,		
1885,	36 00	
Feb. 2, To order for W. G. Martin, teacher.....	52 50	
13, To order for J. A. Jones, cash paid P.		
Guptill, oil and wood.....	52	
		\$229 87

DIST. NO. 11—CHARLES CHANDLER, AGENT.

To amount overdrawn, 1884.....	\$ 4 99	
By amount apportioned, 1885.....	175 00	
		\$170 01

1885.

July 4, To order for Isaac Abbott, wood.....	\$ 9 60	
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13, To order for Chas. Chandler, board.....	12 00	
Aug. 8, To order for Mary Buzzell, teacher.....	24 00	
		\$ 50 59

DIST. No. 12—E. W. BARKER, AGENT.

To amount overdrawn, 1884.....		\$ 6 08
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This district united with others in support of schools for 1885.

DIST. No. 13—FRANK BARKER, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 10 12	
By amount apportioned 1885.....	125 00	
		\$135 12

1885.

July 13, To order for B. W. Gordon, wood.....	\$ 8 70
24, To order for Nellie Smart, teacher.....	35 00
Dec. 18, To order of Frank Barker, repairs.....	7 42
18, To order of C. P. Gordon.....	28 00

1886.

Feb. 13, To order for Nellie Smart, teacher.....	55 00	
		\$135 12

DIST. No. 14—C. H. OSGOOD, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 1 50	
By amount apportioned 1885.....	110 00	
		\$111 50

1885.

July 24, To order for Alice Osgood.....	\$18 00
29, To order for A. Sands, board.....	10 50
Dec. 16, To order for Alice Osgood.....	40 00
18, To order for A. Sands, board.....	16 50

\$ 85 00

DIST. No. 15—CHARLES EVANS, AGENT.

By balance unexpended 1884.....	\$ 1 22	
By amount apportioned 1885.....	185 00	
		\$186 22

1885.

July 28, To order for Sara Towle, teacher.....	\$50 00
30, To order for M. Johnson, wood.....	9 45
Sept. 2, To order for Lewis Howe, board.....	9 50

1886.

Jan. 16, To order for Charles Evans, repairs, &c....	7 92
25, To order for N. B. Dresser, teacher.....	52 00
Feb. 11, To order for Anson Bennett, book case....	5 00

\$133 87

DIST. NO. 16—ISAAC DAVIS, AGENT.

By amount apportioned 1885		\$ 80 00
1885.		
May 22, To overdrawn account of 1884....	\$13 50	
July 6, To order for Anthony Davis, board.....	5 00	
Aug. 14, To order for Lilla Hobbs, teacher	21 00	
		<u>\$ 39 50</u>

DIST. NO. 17—ISAAC HATCH, AGENT.

By amount apportioned 1885.....		\$111 29
1885.		
July 17, To overdrawn account of 1884	\$ 4 64	
17, To order for B. G. Seavey, board.....	15 95	
17, To ordre for Clara Harriman, teacher.....	27 50	
1886.		
June 1, To order for Hannah Pike, teacher.....	60 00	
		<u>\$108 09</u>

WITH DIST. NO. 7, DENMARK—ARMOND WARREN, AGENT.

By amount apportioned 1885.....		\$ 40 00
1886.		
Feb. 13, To order for Fannie C. Gordon, teacher..		\$ 40 00

Our object in publishing these school accounts is that each District can readily see how they stand.

Estimates cannot here be given as to what sum of money is necessary to be raised to meet current expenses for the coming year. In our judgment, it will be best to retire the five per cent bonds as fast as possible. The roof of the Island bridge can be repaired for some \$15, and will last several years, before re-shingling. The floor of Oak Pond bridge will need some repairs. The Town House needs re-shingling. There is, as the school book account shows, \$50 which will suffice for the coming year. I do not believe in changing but two school books oftener than once in twenty years; those are Geography and History. There is no need of this useless expense.

Among the important articles inserted in the warrant that you are to consider and vote upon, are, the building of a bridge over Saco River, at Swan's Falls, the purchase of a road machine, the paying of money for repairing roads; to see if the town will sell the pine and other timber on the poor farm; to see if we will aid any large manufacturers locating in town that are so contemplating.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. WALKER, } Selectmen
 J. A. JONES, } of
 D. D. CARLTON. } Fryeburg.

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Balance due from last year.....	\$ 570 46
F. A. Wiley, Collector, 1884.....	857 84
F. A. Wiley, Collector, in orders.....	2,400 79
Randall Hastings, Collector. 1885.....	810 52
Randall Hastings, Collector, in orders.....	818 60
Town of Stowe.....	6 00
State Treasurer, pension.....	36 00
State Treasurer, bounty on wolf.....	5 00
Resident and non-resident taxes.....	255 70
Bonds sold, 4 per cent.....	12,000 00
Total.....	\$17,760 91

PAYMENTS.

Paid coupons.....	\$ 990 00
Paid orders.....	1,505 07
Paid State pension advanced.....	27 00
Paid old coupons.....	12 00
Paid old bonds, Nos. 30 and 40.....	200 00
Paid coupons and costs on old bonds.....	71 98
Paid 5 per cent. bonds.....	11,200 00
Paid accrued interest.....	125 73
Paid discount.....	15 11
Paid orders, R. Hastings, collector.....	118 60
Paid orders, F. A. Wiley, collector.....	2,400 79
Total.....	\$ 17,366 28
Balance.....	394 63

STANDING OF THE TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Due from Collector, for year 1884.....	\$ 960 35
Due from Collector, for year 1885.....	3,736 23
Due from resident tax deeds.....	469 95
Due from non-resident tax deeds.....	221 54
Due from State pension advanced.....	27 00
Due from State, over and above amount due school districts	724 58
Due from D. R. Hastings, balance Brownfield suit.....	29 78
Cash in Treasury.....	394 63
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Total.....	\$6,564 06

LIABILITIES.

Orders drawn and not presented....	.\$ 321 47
Coupons, 1884.....	15 00
Coupons, 1885.....	10 00
Bonded debt and interest, to March 1, 1886.....	21,313 33
Outstanding bills, see Selectmen's schedule.....	1,180 82
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Total.....	.\$ 22,840 62
Balance Town debt.....	\$16,276 56

JOHN LOCKE, TREASURER.

February 20, 1886.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF SCHOOLS.

No. of District.	AGENT.	TEACHER.	TERM.	Weekly Wages.	Length-in Days.	No. Schol's reg.	Av. Attendance.	No. not Absent.
1	Fred Spring.	Hattie Abbott.	Fall.	\$5.00	45	62	50	9
		"	Winter.	5.00	*	54	*	*
2	A. R. Jenness.	Mary Abbott.	Summer.	6.00	39	33	24	5
		"	Fall.	6.00	48	26	17	2
4	Eben Fessenden	Lettie M. Snow.	Summer.	2.50	40	6	4	3
		Minnie Gore.	Fall.	3.00	70	5	4	
5	C. H. Walker.	Eva D. Walker.	Fall.	2.50	40	1	1	1
6	Benj. Chadborne	Carrie Chadborne.	Summer.	3.20	50	18	14	2
		Hulda Hobbs.	Fall.	4.00	40	16	14	3
		Carrie Chadborne.	Winter.	4.00	*	18	*	*
7	Geo. Walker.	Helen Walker.	Summer.	3.00	40	3	3	
		"	Fall.	3.00	40	3	25	1
8	W. B. Hutchins	Cassie M. Hutchins	Summer.	4.50	60	23	14	
		Clayton R. March.	Winter.	6.00	55	27	24	6
9	J. A. Jones.	Mary F. Towle.	Summer.	3.00	50	14	12	5
		Sadie W. Towle.	Fall.	3.00	65	12	10	4
10	J. I. Greenlaw.	Nettie J. Wiley.	Summer.	6.00	45	42	37	13
		Lulu I. Hoyt.	Fall.	6.00	35	39	37	18
		W. G. Martin.	Winter.	7.50	55	39	31	2
11	Chas. Chandler.	Mary F. Buzzell.	Summer.	3.00		15	12	
		Leland Poor.	Winter.	6.25	*	18	*	*
13	Frank Barker.	Nellie G. Smart.	Summer.	3.50	50	13	11	2
		"	Winter.	4.00	65	18	17	3
14	C. H. Osgood.	Alice M. Osgood.	Summer.	3.00	30	15	14	8
		"	Fall.	4.00	50	12	10	1
15	Chas. Evans.	Sadie M. Towle.	Summer.	5.00		23	20	1
		N. B. Dresser.	Winter.	6.50	40	27	22	4
		Sadie W. Towle.	Winter.	*	*	*	*	*
16	Isaac Davis.	Lilla M. Hobb.	Summer.	3.00	35	8	7	3
		Grace M. Davis.	Winter.	2.35	60	5	4	3
17	Isaac Hatch.	Clara. F. Harriman	Summer.	2.50	55	12	11	2
		Hannah Pike.	Winter.	4.50	50	14	13	6

* In session.

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OF THE

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Fall and winter terms taught by Miss Hattie Abbott. It ought not to be expected that one teacher can do justice in a school of this size, yet, under the circumstances, I think the scholars have made very good improvement. There was a little lack of order in the fall school, but a decided improvement in this was noticed in the winter school. Instruction in vocal music has been given once a week by Miss Hattie Pike with excellent results. There was no summer school in this district on account of repairs being made on the school house. I am glad to say that the accommodations now are very good indeed,

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss Mary Abbott. The scholars made good progress in all studies, especially in arithmetic and geography. Miss Abbott has been very successful in this district, and I can safely recommend her as a good teacher. This school also received instruction in vocal music by Miss Pike.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Summer term taught by Miss Lettie M. Snow. The scholars made fair progress. Miss Snow is a good scholar and only needs experience to become a first-class teacher.

Winter term taught by Miss Minnie Gore. Although this was Miss Gore's first attempt at teaching I am glad to say that she proved a success. She will make one of our best teachers.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Fall term taught by Miss Eva D. Walker. A profitable school

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Summer and winter terms taught by Miss Carrie Chadborne. I consider Miss Chadborne one of our best teachers. The summer term was a profitable one, and the winter term—in session—is proving a success.

A fall term was taught by Miss Hulda Hobbs. Miss Hobbs is an experienced teacher and always gives good satisfaction.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss Hellen B. Walker. Miss Walker, although a beginner, did good work in this district. A school of this size—only three scholars—cannot be very interesting to either teacher or scholars. I think Miss Walker would do well in a larger school.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Summer term taught by Miss Cassie M. Hutchins. Excellent progress was made in this school. The reading and history classes were especially good. School very orderly.

Winter term taught by Clayton R. Marsh. The school appeared well on my first visit at the beginning of the term. I was not notified of its close, so cannot report as to the progress. He gave general satisfaction to the district.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Summer term taught by Miss Mary F. Towle. Miss Towle manifested her usual skill in the management of this school. A very profitable term.

Fall term taught by Miss Sadie W. Towle. Miss Towle was very successful in this school, both in her instruction and general management. I considered it a very pleasant and profitable school.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Summer term taught by Miss Nettie J. Wiley. Miss Wiley's health being rather poor, she is unable to teach much of the time. I wish the school might have been a few weeks longer, as the scholars seemed very much interested in their work and showed a proficiency not always manifested in our common schools.

Fall term taught by Miss Lulu I. Hoyt. The school being large and the teacher a stranger, I think the term was rather too short. It takes some little time for a teacher to get acquainted with so many scholars and settled down to real work. I think Miss Hoyt is a good teacher. I recommend that the fall and winter terms be more evenly divided.

Winter term taught by W. G. Martin. I visited this school but once, not being notified of its close. It appeared well on my first visit at the beginning of the term. Mr. Martin sustains a good reputation as a teacher, and I hope this school proved a profitable one.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Summer term taught by Miss Mary F. Buzzell. This seemed to be a pleasant school. I think the teacher was inclined to help her scholars too much. A scholar should be taught to depend, to a considerable extent, upon himself. The general management was good and the progress made very considerable, to both teacher and scholars.

Winter term taught by Mr. Leland Poor. This was Mr. Poor's first experience in teaching. He tried hard for the interest of his scholars, but the school was made unpleasant by the disorderly conduct of two or three of the large scholars, which interfered with the profit that might otherwise have been realized.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Summer and winter terms taught by Miss Nellie G. Smart. Miss Smart is to be heartily commended for untiring application to her duties. She gave general satisfaction, both to the Supervisor and the district.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss Alice M. Osgood. Miss Osgood is deserving of praise for the success which attended her labors in this district, although this was her first school. I visited the fall term but once, not being notified of its close, but have reason to believe that it was as profitable as the summer term.

DISTRICT NO. 15.

Summer term taught by Miss Sadie W. Towle. Miss Towle's schools are always pleasant and profitable. Parents and scholars seemed to be well pleased with this term's work. I was sorry not to be able to visit this school at its close.

Eight weeks of the winter term was taught by Mr. N. B. Dresser. Mr. Dresser was not very successful in this school. I consider him well qualified to teach and his school appeared orderly, but he lacked the go-a-head which is essential in any school, especially one of this size. On account of dissatisfaction he concluded to resign. Miss Sadie W. Towle was engaged to finish the school. In session.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

Summer term taught by Miss Lilla M. Hobbs. This school is rather small but the scholars manifested considerable interest in their work. I consider the school a profitable one.

Winter term taught by Miss Grace M. Davis. Miss Davis, although a beginner, showed considerable skill in the art of teaching. Should she continue to teach I predict for her excellent success.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

Summer term taught by Miss Clara F. Harriman. The school made good improvement and appeared orderly.

Fall term taught by Miss Hannah Pike. I was not notified of the close of the school so cannot report as to the progress.

REMARKS.

In presenting this, the annual report of the schools of this town, it is very gratifying to me to be able to say that they have, as a whole, been very successful. Of course, we would like to see model schools in all our districts, but under the district system it is an impossibility. Some of our schools being so small the scholars take but little interest, even with a good teacher; while others are so large that the teacher is unable to do real satisfactory work. I am glad to believe that the day is not far distant when the present arrangement will be among the things that are past. It remains for us, however, to do the best we can under the circumstances. Agents should exercise a good deal of care in the selection of teachers. Hire, if possible, those teachers that have been tested and not found wanting, and pay them a fair price. Parents should remember that they are, to a considerable extent, responsible for poor schools, and should receive a part of the credit for good schools. "Train up a child in the way he should go" at home, and there is not much trouble with that child at school. Parents, visit your schools, at least once every term, and show to the teachers and scholars that you are interested in their school work. It will stimulate them to greater activity. Teacher, scholars and parents must act in harmony, otherwise your schools will prove a partial failure.

You will notice that several of the schools have received but one visit from your Supervisor. This is not wholly my fault. With two exceptions I have visited each school twice, when notified of its close. Agents are furnished with blanks, to notify the Supervisor of the time of beginning and closing of each term of school, and should remember that it is a part of their duty. With the consent of the Selectmen I discontinued the schools in Districts No. 3 and 12; the scholars in No. 3 being well accommodated in No. 6, and those in No. 12 accommodated in Nos. 10 and 11. By this a saving of about \$150 was made, and the scholars in these two districts given much better advantages.

I would suggest to the text book committee for the coming year, a change in our Temperance text book. I think the one now in use has been in our schools long enough, and much better results can be obtained by the adoption of a new one.

I thank you, fellow citizens, for your support, and hope that my successor may serve you better than I have been able to do.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. POWERS, SUPERVISOR.