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SELECTMEN, TREASURER

—AND—

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 18, 1888.

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

To the Inhabitants of Fryeburg:

It may be expected by you that the Board of Selectmen, in making an annual report to the town of the expenditure of your money, having the management of most of the business transactions in the various departments, could clearly and exactly state the financial standing of the town. Yet with considerable experience we cannot, nor can the Treasurer make up an account that will show it precisely. And for this reason, because the assessments of a year have never been nor can be all collected; and further, because at the time of preparing a report there are some bills that have not been presented, some perhaps forgotten. These, with the abatements yearly made to collectors, will change the Treasurer's account, since every abatement order, whatever sum it represents, is that much less cash in the treasury. But town reports show it very nearly as it is. It is not an easy matter to manage everything as it should be, or prevent perhaps a little extravagance here and there. Every individual having a bill against the town should present it the first week in February of each year, and get an order for settlement. Then in making a report there would not be any outstanding bills. We advise this to be practiced in future years.

TOWN VALUATION.

Real and Personal Estate,	\$668,233 00
Number of taxable polls, 440.	

SUMS ASSESSED

State Tax,	\$2,194 29
County Tax,	950 01
For paying town debt,	3,000 00
For schools,	1,400 00
For support of poor,	600 00
For bridges and current expenses,	900 00
For school-books,	200 00
For repair of roads,	1,200 00
Overlaying,	129 63
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Total assessment,	\$10,573 93
Supplemental taxes,	6 35
Total commitment,	\$10,580 28

POOR FARM.

The same six inmates of the poor-house have been supported this year as last. The accustomed way of computing the weekly cost has been to add the cost of supplies for the house and farm, extra help, medical attendance, and master's salary, and to deduct from this sum what has been received for stock sold, etc. The cost per week this year is very nearly \$2.00. The expense for supplies, extra help, etc., is \$414.25; master's salary, \$300.00; total, \$714.25. Nothing has been bought for the house or farm that was not needed, and at reasonable prices; yet the summing up is more than the appropriation. Neat stock from the farm has been sold to the amount of \$229, and \$145 worth bought, giving \$84 credit to the town.

ORDERS FOR EXPENSES.

Feb. 26, '87, Frank Locke, for boards,	\$8 27
Apr. 5, '87, C. H. Tibbetts, supplies,	18 05
Apr. 26, '87, Dexter Wiley, yearly salary from Apr. 1, 1886, to Apr. 1, 1887,	300 00
May 11, '87, E. P. Weston, supplies,	75 34
May 27, '87, Mary Fife, sewing,	4 00
July 2, '87, Frank Bemis, for ox-yoke,	2 00
July 9, '87, A. O. Pike, cash paid for mowing ma- chine repairs,	4 10
July 16, '87, E. P. Weston, supplies,	41 15
Aug. 11, '87, Charles Wiley, labor at haying,	30 00
Oct. 3, '87, E. P. Weston, supplies,	50 12
Oct. 15, '87, Charles Chandler, pasturing stock,	13 00
Oct. 15, '87, Dexter Wiley, part of yearly salary, E. P. Weston, supplies,	200 00 65 26
Jan. 14, '88, C. H. Tibbetts, supplies,	14 27
Jan. 14, '88, F. L. Mark, clothing,	4 00
Feb. 4, '88, Simeon Charles, carpenter work,	6 00
Feb. 13, '88, S. A. Page, supplies,	24 81
Feb. 13, '88, N. & L. R. Charles,	3 43
Feb. 14, '88, Mary Fife, for sewing,	4 00
Feb. 14, '88, C. H. Walker, for grain,	24 36
Feb. 15, '88, Wm. C. Towle, medical attendance, E. P. Weston, supplies,	9 00 13 09
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	\$914 25

STOCK, HAY, GRAIN AND PROVISIONS ON HAND.

2 oxen,	\$145 00
3 cows,	75 00
2 three-years old,	40 00
2 two-years old,	25 00
2 swine,	12 00
50 bushels potatoes,	25 00
120 pounds ham,	12 00
325 pounds pork,	32 50
70 pounds lard,	7 00
3 bushels beans,	6 00
20 bushels oats,	10 00
15 bushels corn,	12 00
6 tons English hay,	60 00
14 tons meadow hay,	70 00
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	\$531 50

EXPENSE OF POOR AWAY FROM FARM.

Our pauper expenses away from the town farm have been greater than for many years. The widow of the late Andrew Osgood, formerly of Fryeburg, with five children, the oldest nine and the youngest less than one year of age, came from Massachusetts to Brownfield, in rather destitute condition. Not long after Mrs. Osgood was taken sick, and must be cared for and subsistence furnished for the family. Brownfield furnished them, and the bill of items shows no unreasonable charges; the expense (including medical attendance) in Brownfield was \$19.51. Subsequently her friends removed the family to Parsonsfield, on contract of \$5.00 per week; the last bills of E. Billings were \$20.00, and a clothing bill by town of Parsonsfield was \$10.94; total amount, \$220.45. This family have moved out of the State and are now no expense to Fryeburg. One Susan Johnson, daughter of Wm. Johnson, fell into distress in Portland and was sent to the hospital. Portland's bill was \$32.43. These two unexpected cases, with what is shown in orders for aid to poor in Fryeburg, make our pauper expenses heavy. There is, or will be Mar. 15, due Marshall Walker, for boarding and clothing the Smith boy, \$45, which should be reckoned outstanding.

ORDERS DRAWN.

1887.	
May 27, Marshall Walker, for board of Mrs. Daniel Smith's boy one year,	\$52 00
1888.	
Jan 4, Ephraim Billings, keeping Mrs. Andrew Osgood and family (part pay),	20 00
Jan. 14, C. H. Tibbetts, supplies for S. M. Richardson's family,	5 68
Jan. 14, C. H. Tibbetts, clothing for James Lewis,	12 00
Feb. 4. Town of Brownfield, expense of Mrs. Andrew Osgood and family,	189 51
Feb. 13, John Locke, cash paid town of Parsonsfield, balance of expenses of Mrs. A. Osgood and family,	10 94
Feb. 14, John Locke, cash paid city of Portland, expenses of Susan Johnson,	32 43
Feb. 14, N. & L. R. Charles, burial expenses of S. M. Richardson,	25 00
Feb. 15, Wm. C. Towle, medical attendance,	42 25
Total,	<hr/> \$389 81

GENERAL ORDERS.

FOR CURRENT EXPENSES, REPAIR OF BRIDGES, ETC.

1887.	
Mar. 3, Wm. C. Towle, abatement on R. R. stock which is exempt from taxation by law,	\$13 43
Mar. 8, John Locke, paid for printing town reports,	20 00
Mar. 12, B. W. McKeen, services as supervisor, '86,	75 00
Mar. 15, T. S. McIntire, services as constable and town clerk, and recording births and deaths,	22 10
Mar. 15, J. J. Johnson, repairing damage to carriage,	75
Apr. 23, Simeon Charles, guide-boards,	2 50
May 27, Nutter, Fox & Co., bridge plank, '85—6,	24 54
May 27, John Locke, town books,	11 95
May 27, D. D. Carlton, services as selectman, '86,	75 00
May 27, J. A. Jones, services as selectman, '86,	75 00

May 27, J. W. Emery, abatement on land taxed to O. F. Emery,	\$0 77
May 27, Randall Hastings, abatement of J. C. Gold- thwait's tax of 1885, taxed in Lovell,	3 30
July 12, John Locke, services as treasurer, '86,	35 00
July 16, C. H. Walker, sawing 51½ M. shingles,	51 50
July 30, C. H. Walker, services as selectman,	85 00
Aug. 5, Isaac Fellows, repairing bridge,	1 25
Aug. 5, Noyes Abbott, iron grates for culverts,	4 00
Aug. 27, Geo. D. Leavitt, stone guide-post,	20 00
Sept. 13, Elden Smart, abatement of poll tax, '86,	2 00
Sept. 13, F. W. Spring, moving town clerk's safe,	3 00
Sept. 19, Eva D. Walker, recording valuation and tax,	12 00
Oct. 10, Grover Post, G. A. R., balance of appropria- tion, '86,	25 00
Oct. 15, Chas. Chandler, shoveling snow from roof of town house,	1 50
Oct. 29, O. F. Emery, labor on mill bridge,	4 50
Oct. 29, Charles Binford, bridge plank,	4 00
Oct. 29, C. H. Lewis, abatement of taxes on land where timber had been removed,	3 98
Oct. 31, F. W. Spring, constable fees,	4 00
Nov. 1, Fryeburg Water Co., water for public fountains,	10 00
Dec. 5, Samuel C. Gordon, labor on Ballard brook bridge,	1 50
Dec. 27, Elmer Knight, labor on Hastings bridge,	1 35
Dec. 27, Wesley Heald, labor on mill bridge,	1 95
Dec. 27, E. Heald, stringers for mill bridge,	6 00
Dec. 27, J. H. Heald, labor on mill bridge,	1 95
Dec. 27, Lewis Howe, stringers for Hastings bridge,	9 60
Dec. 27, A. W. McKeen, labor on Hastings bridge, 1888.	1 75
Jan. 13, James Ela, guide-board post and setting,	75
Feb. 3, Louisa Gordon, abatement of tax on personal estate, '86,	1 55
Feb. 4, Simeon Charles, labor shingling town house,	10 00
Feb. 4, Walter Pilsbury, " "	7 00
Feb. 4, D. H. Chandler, " "	6 00
Feb. 4, D. H. Chandler, labor on bridges,	3 00
Feb. 4, Woodman Charles, drawing bridge plank,	1 25
Feb. 4, A. E. Bemis, labor on bridges,	3 00
Feb. 4, N. & L. R. Charles, guide-boards and fixtures,	5 00

Feb. 4, John C. Gerry, stationery,	\$1 60
Feb. 14, Anson Bennett, use of brackets for shingling town house,	1 00
Feb. 15, John Batchelder, abatement of taxes, '86, A. E. Bemis, building stone culvert,	58 65 45 00
Feb. 15, John Batchelder, per cent. on his collection of 1886,	160 41
1887.	
May 12, Order to Albert Kimball,	115 00
July 23, " John Weston,	34 00
1888.	
Feb. 16, A. O. Pike, outstanding bill of 1886, in part payment for an unfinished job which he agrees to complete in the spring of '88, for drain pipe,	75 00
Feb. 17, John Shaw, abatement,	4 35
Feb. 20, Frank Locke, bridge plank and sawing stringers,	7 70
Feb. 20, D. R. Hastings & Son, legal services in settling suit Town D. R. Hastings vs. J. W. Stevens,	5 00
Feb. 20, D. R. Hastings,	20 22
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	\$1,180 65

In explanation of this last order, in our last report we stated there was \$21 due D. R. Hastings. In the settlement of suit against Ward Hutchins, 1885, he was awarded \$180. Hutchins received an order for \$130; by agreement of parties \$50 was to be drawn to Hastings. There was due the town from Hastings on collections \$29.78. The above order closes the matter.

OUTSTANDING HIGHWAY BILLS, 1885.

We thought, and said in our last report, that most of the bills for work on highways had been settled, but several such, certified by the surveyors of that year, have been presented. We have drawn orders to pay them.

A. P. Charles,	\$5 00
Edward McIntire,	1 50
D. W. Meserve,	4 00
Charles Chandler,	3 00
John Pike,	15 00
Elden McAllaster,	5 00

\$33 00

SNOW BILLS.

All we have to say is that the cost of breaking out roads for the winter of 1886—7 was heavy, and exceeded the balance left from the appropriation of 1886 by \$654.85. For our winter work no men can tell what sum of money to raise to meet the expense, as there will be much more needed some years than others.

THE FOLLOWING ORDERS WERE DRAWN.

Hazen Walker,	\$32 20
Frank Barker,	20 75
Frank Haley,	33 60
C. H. Osgood,	34 00
Elwood Bemis,	4 50
J. D. Meserve,	11 00
Frank Day,	27 00
N. W. Bennett,	15 00
G. P. Haley,	24 00
J. H. Gordon,	21 00
A. E. Bemis,	18 00
A. A. McIntire,	10 00
Stephen Farrington,	18 00
A. R. Jenness,	22 00
Henry Walker,	14 00
O. L. Harnden,	1 75
Abel Sanborn,	20 00
M. M. Smart,	14 00
James Walker,	12 00
S. G. Hardy,	17 00
I. Q. Hatch,	1 50
Bailey Knight,	23 00
Charles Evans,	6 00
John Weston, snowing bridge,	15 00
John Weston,	26 00
Eugene Chadbourne,	13 85
F. Keniston, snowing bridge, etc.,	6 50
E. W. Burbank,	45 00
Charles Chandler,	11 50
J. C. Chadbourne,	4 00
J. C. Page,	28 00
David Chandler,	2 25
H. K. Hobbs,	7 50
Fred Holt,	7 00

B. G. Seavey,	\$5 25
B. B. Woodward,	11 00
Adelbert Wiley,	42 75
Wesley Heald,	7 95
J. H. Kimball,	13 00
J. B. Fellows,	19 00
N. J. Pendexter,	6 00
John Stanley,	12 00
H. H. Wiley,	10 00
C. E. Emery,	25 00
Caleb Pilsbury,	12 00
O. F. Emery, snowing Charles river bridge,	4 00
Samuel Evans,	12 50
F. W. Day,	7 50
D. D. Carlton,	2 25
John Stearns,	10 00
A. H. Evans,	12 00
W. A. Douglass,	18 00
D. W. Meserve,	22 50
Wm. E. Brown,	13 75
Wm. G. Walker,	32 75
B. C. Chalbourne,	1 20
John W. Walker,	7 50
F. W. Day,	9 00
James Osgood,	20 25
David Benson,	1 50
S. A. Page,	13 00
Fremont Whitcomb,	50
Wm. F. Bennett,	1 50
Edward McIntire,	1 50
John Weston,	28 50
Total,	<hr/> \$950 55

REPAIR OF HIGHWAYS.

There were \$1,200.00 raised for this purpose, which means summer and winter work for the year 1887. We were aware after the winter of 1886 was over that the balance of the appropriation of that year for winter work must be insufficient to meet the expense of winter bills. We therefore concluded to put the roads in a comfortable condition at the least possible cost, to help out in the extraordinary expense of last winter. We do not pretend to

say that perhaps more work on our roads in some places was not needed, but we do say that the roads were better last year, throughout, than the average of the last twenty years.

In the buying and selling of our road team there was a little loss. Cost of the four oxen, \$308.00; sold for \$290.00; received of the West Oxford Agricultural Society for premium and work, \$11.75; leaving \$6.25 less than cost. Orders drawn amount to \$584.30, which includes \$13.00 outstanding bills of 1886. Adding loss on team to amount of orders, and deducting outstanding bills, the cost of road repairs for summer and fall of 1887 is \$577.55. The outstanding bills of 1887, if any, will not exceed \$10.00.

In the purchase of the road team there was an order to Albert Kimball for \$155.00, and to John Weston for \$34.00, with some farm stock, which made up \$153.00, the price of a second pair of oxen. These orders affect nothing, as they are cancelled in selling the team.

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SUMMER WORK.

John Gilman, outstanding bill,	\$1 50
John Stanley, outstanding bill,	1 50
Ernest Brown,	13 44
Frank Bemis,	48 30
Fred Heath,	22 10
H. W. Cousins & Co., grain,	5 00
Charles Harriman, labor,	4 25
C. W. Pike, outstanding bill,	10 00
David Morton, repairing culvert,	1 50
J. H. Johnson, labor,	1 10
Fred Heath, labor,	4 00
James Ela, labor,	8 00
James Hardy, labor,	1 00
Samuel Richardson, labor,	7 50
D. W. Ela, labor,	6 00
S. C. Gordon,	3 00
Charles Chandler, board,	7 00
O. F. Emery, labor,	2 50
John Hobbs, labor,	50
Frank Barker, labor, April work,	10 00
D. H. Chandler, board of men and team,	9 80
John Locke, cash paid for drain pipe for culvert,	14 84
D. H. Chandler, cash paid for labor,	9 00
H. K. Hobbs, labor,	3 75

C. F. Smith, labor,	\$20 50
D. A. Ballard, labor,	22 25
Franklin Hobbs, board,	84
Franklin Shirley, board,	1 80
D. D. Carlton, labor,	4 00
Lewis Howe, board of men and team,	2 90
John Stanley, labor,	15 00
Eugene Chadbourne, repair of culvert,	1 50
E. W. Barker, labor,	4 50
Dexter Walker, labor,	5 00
David Benson, labor,	3 50
James Heald, labor,	60
Stephen Hardy, labor,	2 00
James Ela, labor,	1 50
C. H. Tibbetts, grain,	9 58
Thomas Sands, labor,	2 00
Edwin Walker, labor,	4 50
Amos Maxwell, labor,	2 25
C. W. Gordon, labor,	2 25
H. W. Stevens, board of men and team,	8 07
D. H. Chandler, labor,	14 00
L. H. Andrews, setting shoes on oxen,	75
C. E. Emery, labor,	3 00
A. E. Bemis,	8 75
J. C. Smith,	2 50
Wm. H. Wiswall, board and labor,	8 65
David Hill, labor,	3 00
F. C. Haley, labor and board,	2 60
Almon Haley,	2 00
J. J. Pike, board of men and team,	13 57
B. C. Chadbourne, labor,	1 50
D. W. Meserve, board,	1 10
J. B. Fellows, labor,	6 50
Henry Walker, labor,	4 50
James Osgood, board,	90
R. C. Brickett, board,	1 00
A. P. Gordon, board,	3 84
Lewis Howe, labor,	2 50
Hannah Osgood, board,	5 25
John Weston, hay for team,	11 67
John Weston, labor,	32 50
James Walker, labor,	13 50

James Walker, board,	1 80
C. H. Walker, freight on drain pipe, outstanding bill of 1885—6,	7 27
Wm. G. Walker, board of men and team,	3 93
Eckley Ballard, labor,	3 00
J. E. Hutchins, board,	1 60
H. F. Hurd, board and labor,	5 42
Wm. H. Abbott, shoeing oxen, repair of tools, etc.,	11 55
Chandler Heath, board and labor,	8 84
A. A. McIntire,	3 50
Eben Fessenden, board of men and team,	8 80
C. H. Walker, grain,	27 64
C. H. Walker, 27 days labor,	47 25
Total,	\$584 30

TEXT-BOOKS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

There was raised at the annual meeting of 1887 the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of more school-books, and the payment of a deficiency bill of 1886, which was \$67.86, leaving a balance of \$132.14.

ORDERS DRAWN FOR TEXT-BOOKS.

July 9, '87, John C. Gerry,	\$58 59
Jan. 9, '88, John C. Gerry,	29 59
Feb. 15, '88, John C. Gerry,	12 00
	\$100 18

If there are no outstanding bills, there remains the sum of \$31.96 unexpended.

OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Due Marshall Walker,	\$45 00
Master of Poor-Farm,	100 00
Selectmen,	235 00
Nutter, Fox & Co., for plank,	5 00
A. E. Stevens, work on road,	5 00
Town Clerk,	20 00
Treasurer,	35 00
Supervisor,	75 00
Printer of Reports,	24 00
Collector for 1887, at .017 per cent.,	179 86

T. C. Shirley, for lumber to repair Ballard brook bridge, estimated,	\$15 00
Chandler Heath, for labor, estimated,	6 00
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Total,	\$744 86

In summing up the business of the year, and giving to the taxpayers a statement of how the expenses stand with the assessment and how the result affects the indebtedness of the town, we here give this account:

By Assessment of 1887,	\$7,435 98
To General Orders,	\$1,180 65
Snow Bills,	950 55
Repair of Roads, summer of '87,	584 30
Outstanding Highway, '85,	33 00
Poor-Farm expenses,	914 25
Expense of Poor away from farm,	389 81
School-Books,	100 18
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Town Orders amount to	\$4,152 74
Now add for Schools,	1,400 00
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	\$5,652 74

In conclusion, we have shown everything possible; we do not believe there are \$10.00 outstanding claims against the town. We have used our best economy in directing every business transaction, yet when you strike the balance the appropriations are insufficient.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. WALKER.	}	<i>Selectmen of Fryeburg.</i>
D. D. CARLTON.		
D. H. CHANDLER.		

Fryeburg, Feb. 20, 1888.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	\$1,239 37
Randall Hastings, Collector, 1885,	62 87
John Bachelder, Collector, 1886,	3,712 70
John Bachelder, Collector, 1886, in orders,	1,452 18
Thomas S. McIntire, Collector, 1887,	1,629 39
Thomas S. McIntire, Collector, 1887, in orders,	323 92
State Treasurer, school money, 1886,	762 74
Resident and non-resident taxes,	186 21
John Bachelder, Lyman S. Lewis, tax, 1871,	9 13
Selectmen, shingles sold,	17 00
Selectmen, town of Hiram,	37 00
State Treasurer, railroad and telegraph tax,	35 91
State Treasurer, school money, 1887,	784 07
Selectmen, premium and labor of town team,	11 75
Selectmen, stock sold,	255 00
Total,	<hr/> \$10,519 24

PAYMENTS.

Paid Orders,	\$4,662 13
Coupons, five per cent., 1886,	20 00
Coupons, four per cent., 1886,	32 00
Coupons, five per cent., 1887,	375 00
Coupons, four per cent., 1887,	480 00
State pension advanced,	18 00
Advertising non-resident tax,	4 00
Bonds, five per cents,	2,000 00
Accrued interest,	59 37
John Bachelder, for orders,	1,452 18
Thomas S. McIntire, orders,	323 92
Total,	<hr/> \$9,426 60
Balance,	\$1,092.63.

RESOURCES.

Due from Collector for year 1886,	\$339 02
Collector for year 1887,	5,486 29
Resident tax deeds,	204 33
Non-resident tax deeds,	152 14
State pension advanced,	18 00
Cash in treasury,	1,092 63
Total,	<u>\$7,292 41</u>

LIABILITIES.

Orders drawn and not presented,	\$271 63
Coupons, five per cent.,	5 00
Bonded debt, five per cent.,	5,600 00
Interest to Mar. 1, 1888,	186 67
Bonded debt, four per cent.,	12,000 00
Interest to March 1, 1888,	240 00
Due school districts,	640 18
Outstanding bills,	744 86
Total,	<u>\$19,688 34</u>
Balance town debt,	\$12,395.93.

JOHN LOCKE, *Treasurer.*

Fryeburg, Feb. 21, 1888.

SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTS.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

No. Scholars, 97. Norman Charles, <i>Agent.</i>	
1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$18 09
Apportioned, 1887,	296 33
	\$314 42
July 1, C. H. Bangs, school charts,	\$15 75
July 22, E. N. Shirley, teacher,	85 00
Oct. 7, C. H. Bangs, charts,	8 00
Nov. 11, Mary F. Towle, teacher, 1888.	90 00
Feb. 13, S. A. Page, repairs,	1 50
Feb. 16, Edward E. Russell, teacher,	96 25
Feb. 16, E. G. Charles, board,	33 75
	\$330 25

DISTRICT NO. 2.

No. Scholars, 42. Geo. T. Hammons, <i>Agent.</i>	
1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$49 77
Apportioned, 1887,	155 00
	\$204 77
July 21, Eva D. Walker, teacher,	\$60 00
July 23, Fryeburg Water Co., fixtures,	17 69
Dec. 3, Eva D. Walker, 1888.	54 00
Feb. 1, Jas. I. Lovis, sawing wood,	50
Feb. 13, Eva D. Walker,	58 50
Feb. 14, James Keefe, making fire,	1 00
" Willie Ela, making fire,	1 00
" Wm. H. Whitcomb, for wood,	2 00
" Geo. T. Hammons, wood and furnishings,	9 05
	\$203 74

DISTRICT NO. 4.

No. Scholars, 8. Eben Fessenden, <i>Agent</i> .		
1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$13 52	
Apportioned, 1887,	85 00	
	<hr/>	\$98 52
June 29, Lulu Whitehouse, teacher,	\$23 00	
July 21, Eben Fessenden, boarding teacher,	12 00	
Nov. 22, Lulu Whitehouse, teacher,	37 80	
Nov. 22, Eben Fessenden, boarding teacher and expenses of house,	21 85	
	<hr/>	\$94 65

DISTRICT NO. 5.

No. Scholars, 4. C. H. Walker, <i>Agent</i> .		
1887. Apportioned, 1887,	\$50 00	
Feb. 14, '88, School in session.		

DISTRICT NO. 6.

No. Scholars, 22. Wm. A. Douglass, <i>Agent</i> .		
1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	34 69	
Apportioned, 1887,	167 74	
	<hr/>	\$202 43
July 7, Lettie Snow, teacher,	\$24 00	
Oct. 29, John Pike, board,	8 00	
“ “ “ for 1886,	15 48	
Nov. 6, Wm. A. Douglass, wood,	9 00	
Dec. 17, Carrie Warren, teacher,	35 00	
“ Wm. A. Douglass, board, 1888.	10 00	
Feb., Josie Keith, teacher,	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$137 48

DISTRICT NO. 7.

No. Scholars, 7. Oren Osgood, <i>Agent</i> .		
1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$7 43	
Apportioned, 1887,	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$87 43
July 22, Sadie Osgood, teacher,	24 00	
“ O. W. Osgood, board,	10 40	
Oct. 15, Mrs. O. Osgood,	15 00	
Nov. 30, O. W. Osgood, wood,	2 00	
“ “ board,	14 30	
Dec. 3, Katharine Abbott, teacher,	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$83 70

DISTRICT NO. 8.

No. Scholars, 38 James Hardy, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$17 19	
Apportioned, 1887,	170 00	
	<hr/>	\$187 19
July 18, S. M. Towle, teacher,	\$50 00	
Sept. 28, J. Hardy, repairs,	1 50	
Dec. 16, Nellie Frost, teacher,	60 00	
Dec. 31, Fred Hardy,	2 00	
1888.		
Jan. 23, J. Hardy, wood and furnishings,	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$125 00

DISTRICT NO. 9.

No. Scholars, 16. J. A. Jones, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$3 52	
Apportioned, 1887,	95 00	
	<hr/>	\$98 52
July 16, Mary Abbott, teacher,	\$35 00	
Aug. 24, J. A. Jones, board,	10 85	
Nov. 19, Mary Abbott,	35 00	
1888.		
Feb. 7, Rhoda Jones, board,	10 50	
	<hr/>	\$91 35

DISTRICT NO. 10.

No. Scholars, 52. W. Charles, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$6 18	
Apportioned, 1887,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$206 18
July 25, M. F. Towle, teacher,	\$55 00	
Aug. 20, C. Pitman, wood,	7 50	
Oct. 7, C. H. Bangs, maps,	4 00	
Nov. 11, S. M. Towle, teacher,	56 25	
	<hr/>	\$122 75

DISTRICT NO. 11.

No. Scholars, 26. E. G. Adams, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$19 81	
Apportioned, 1887,	175 00	
	<hr/>	\$194 81
July 23, Nellie Smart, teacher,	\$16 00	
July 26, Chas. Abbott, wood,	14 00	
Aug. 23, E. G. Adams,	6 85	
Oct. 28, Nellie Smart,	40 00	
1888.		
Jan. 14, F. F. McKeen, part pay,	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$106 85

DISTRICT NO. 12.

No. Scholars, 6. C. H. Day, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$0 02	
Apportioned, 1887,	85 00	
	<hr/>	\$85 02
July 20, Alice Holt, teacher,	\$22 00	
Nov. 28, " "	23 36	
Dec. 31, S. B. Knox, board,	17 60	
	<hr/>	\$62 96

DISTRICT NO. 13.

No. Scholars, 22. J. C. Smith, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$4 85	
Apportioned, 1887,	115 00	
	<hr/>	\$119 85
June 16, D. W. Meserve, repairs, etc.,	\$2 87	
Aug. 30, Hannah Howe,	36 00	
1888.		
Jan. 23, Henry Gordon, wood,	2 60	
	<hr/>	\$41 47

DISTRICT NO. 14.

No. Scholars, 27. F. C. Haley, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$2 05	
Apportioned, 1887,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$102 05
July 23, Annie Marston, teacher,	\$49 50	
Dec. 17, Annie Sanborn, teacher,	49 50	
1888.		
Jan. 7, A. Sands, wood,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$101 50

DISTRICT NO. 15.

No. Scholars, 35. A. E. Bemis, *Agent*.

1887. Apportioned, 1887,	\$185 00	
	<hr/>	\$185 00
Overdrawn account of 1886,	\$7 80	
July 30, Alice Bemis, teacher,	40 00	
Sept. 3, A. E. Bemis, board,	9 50	
Sept. 19, J. H. Johnson, repairs,	2 00	
Nov. 22, A. E. Bemis, furnishings,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$60 30

DISTRICT NO. 16.

No. Scholars, 10. M. Smart, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$5 20	
Apportioned, 1887,	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$85 20
June 25, Jennie Farrington, teacher,	\$20 00	
Sept. 20, Fred Davis, wood,	4 65	
1888.		
Feb. 17, Isaac Davis,	11 22	
	<hr/>	\$35 87

DISTRICT NO. 17.

No. Scholars, 19. F. Keniston, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	3 05	
Apportioned, 1886,	105 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 05
Sept. 3, Annie Gordon, teacher,	\$30 00	
" F. Keniston, board and wood,	15 90	
1888.		
Jan. 5, Annie Gordon,	44 00	
" F. Keniston, board,	16 85	
	<hr/>	\$106 75

WITH DIST. NO. 7, DENMARK.

No. Scholars, 4. O. Harnden, *Agent*.

1887. Unexpended, 1886 account,	\$13 31	
Apportioned, 1887,	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$53 31
1888.		
Jan. 12, Ada Harnden, teacher,	\$52 78	
	<hr/>	\$52 78

ANNUAL REPORT
—OF THE—
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT NO. 1. Norman Charles, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Edward N. Shirley. Length of term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 46; average attendance, 41; wages of teacher, \$22 per month. School closed without notice.

Fall term taught by Miss Mary F. Towle. Length of term, 10 weeks; whole number of pupils in attendance, 45; average attendance, 41; wages of teacher, \$6.00 per week. Miss Towle has taught many terms of school in town, and always with credit to herself and satisfaction to all those interested. This term was no exception, as the amount of work, and the thoroughness, well testified. She is entitled to much praise for her labors in this school, and the results show that she takes position in the very front rank as a teacher.

Winter term taught by Edwin E. Russell. Length of term, 11 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 44; average attendance, 38; wages of teacher, \$35 per month. Closed without notice. Appeared well on my first visit, and from my knowledge of Mr. Russell's qualifications as a teacher, I can safely say that I have no doubt it was a very profitable term.

DISTRICT NO. 2. Geo. F. Hammons, *Agent*.

Summer, fall and winter terms taught by Miss Eva D. Walker. Length of summer term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 22; average number, 17. Length of fall term, 8 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 19; average number, 15; wages of teacher, \$6.50. Winter term the same. Miss Walker has proved herself one of our best teachers. Good progress is made in all studies, and interest maintained by the introduction of original methods that are valuable of themselves.

DISTRICT NO. 4. Eben Fessenden, *Agent*.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss Lulu C. Whitehouse. Length of summer term, 11 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 8; average attendance, 8; wages of teacher, \$3.00 per week. Length of fall term, 12 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 6; average attendance, 5; wages of teacher, \$3.00. The progress made during these terms of school, shows Miss Whitehouse to be well fitted for her work. Noted good progress in reading, fine in writing, order very good.

DISTRICT NO. 5. C. H. Walker, *Agent*.

Spring term taught by Miss Cynthia I. Warren. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 1; wages of teacher, \$2.50. Miss Warren has taught before in this district, and always with good results.

DISTRICT NO. 6. Wm. A. Douglass, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Miss Lettie M. Snow. Length of term, 8 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 9; average number, 7; wages of teacher, \$3.00. Order fair; good progress in all branches, especially arithmetic.

Fall term taught by Mrs. Carrie M. Warren. Length of term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 11; average number, 9; wages of teacher, \$3.50. Mrs. Warren is an experienced teacher, a fine scholar, and never fails to do good work in the school-room. Noted good progress in all branches. Order good.

Winter term taught by Miss Josie Keith. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 13; average attendance, 10; wages of teacher, \$4.00. Order good. Lack of analysis. But little written work performed on the board, and but little explanation by the teacher. Progress fair.

DISTRICT NO. 7. Oren W. Osgood, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Mrs. Sadie C. Osgood. Length of term, 13 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 3; wages of teacher, \$3.00. Considering the size of the school, the scholars made good progress. Order good.

Fall term begun by Mrs. Osgood, finished by Katie E. Abbott. Length of term, 11 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 3; average number, 2; wages of teacher, \$3.00. The interest of the scholars in the school was fully maintained, and Miss Abbott seems well prepared to manage and instruct a school.

DISTRICT NO. 8. James H. Hardy, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Miss Sadie M. Towle. Length of

term, 11 weeks; number in attendance, 29; average number, 26; wages of teacher, \$4.50. There was a term of private school in this district in the spring, taught by Miss Mary F. Towle. Then the summer term coming with only a short vacation, found the scholars in good condition for beginning a term's work. Miss Towle put her whole energies into this term, and it was made very profitable. The work was done thoroughly and well. I believe this was one of Miss Towle's most successful terms of school.

Fall term taught by Miss Nellie E. Frost. Length of term, 12 weeks; number in attendance, 36; average number, 30; wages of teacher, \$5.00 per week. This was also a very successful term. Fine order was maintained, the thoroughness of the preceding terms continued, and marked improvement made in all branches, particularly reading and grammar. Winter term in session. Same teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 9. J. Alvin Jones, *Agent*.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss May Abbott. Length of summer term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 13; average attendance, 12; wages of teacher, \$3.50 per week. Length of fall term, 10 weeks; whole number in attendance, 15; average number, 13; wages of teacher, \$3.50 per week. These terms of school were very successful. Miss Abbott has a very good faculty to interest and instruct small scholars. They were all highly interested and made good progress in all their studies, some of the smaller reading classes in particular.

DISTRICT NO. 10. Woodman Charles, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Miss Mary F. Towle. Length of term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 37; average number, 31; wages of teacher, \$5.50. This was Miss Towle's second term in this district, and was a perfect success in every particular. The improvement was good in all branches, and in general appearance the school ranks first among all others during the school year.

Fall term taught by Miss Sadie M. Towle. Length of term, 12 weeks; number in attendance, 38; average number, 33; wages of teacher, \$5.00. Miss Towle's former reputation was fully sustained in this school.

Winter term taught by Mr. Albert Spencer. Was called into this school to investigate certain troubles that had arisen. After thoroughly investigating the case, and giving all parties a hearing, I fully sustained the teacher, and expelled one pupil. Since then the school is prospering finely. In session.

DISTRICT NO. 11. E. G. Adams, *Agent*.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss Nellie G. Smart. Length of summer term, 4 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 15; average number, 13; wages of teacher, \$4.00. Length of fall term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 14; average number, 11; wages of teacher, \$4.00. Summer school was stopped on account of sickness in the district. Miss Smart has had much experience as a teacher, and always does good work. These schools were no exception. Order good. The interest was kept up, and good progress made in all branches.

Winter term, Fred McKeen, teacher. Appeared well at first visit. Now in session.

DISTRICT NO. 12. Clarence H. Day, *Agent*.

Summer and fall terms taught by Miss Alice E. Holt. Length of summer term, 8 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 3; average number, 3; wages of teacher, \$2.75. Length of fall term, —; number of pupils in attendance, 3; average number, 3; wages of teacher, \$2.75. Miss Holt did very good work in this school. Although it was her first attempt at teaching, she showed that only experience is necessary to make her a fine teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 13. J. C. Smith, *Agent*.

Summer and winter terms taught by Mrs. H. H. Howe. Length of summer term, 9 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 11; average number, 10; wages of teacher, \$4.00. Register of winter term not yet received. Fair progress was made in all studies. Noted improvement in arithmetic and reading.

DISTRICT NO. 14. Frank Haley, *Agent*.

Summer and fall terms taught by Mrs. Annie Marston Sanborn. Length of summer term, 9 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 17; average number, 16; wages of teacher, \$4.00. Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 19; average attendance, 18; wages of teacher, \$4.00. This is Mrs. Sanborn's second year in this district, and the results are fully as good as last year. Scholars were kept interested during both terms, and made good progress in all branches.

DISTRICT NO. 15. Austin Bemis, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Miss Alice Bemis. Length of term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 22; average number, 18; wages of teacher, \$4.00. This was Miss Bemis' first work in the school-room, and it being in her own district, and she the agent's daughter, she labored under some difficulties that were hard to

overcome. Although she tried hard for the school, it was not so profitable as it would have been under different circumstances. Miss Bemis is a good scholar, and with experience will make a good teacher.

Winter term taught by Miss Nellie G. Smart. In session.

DISTRICT NO. 16. Moses Smart, *Agent*.

Summer term taught by Miss Jennie Farrington. Length of term 8 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 8; average number, 7; wages of teacher, \$2.50. Miss Farrington did good work in this school. Scholars interested. Good progress in all studies.

Fall term taught by Miss Fannie L. Hubbard. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 8; average number, 7; wages of teacher, \$3.00. This also was a profitable term. Noted good progress in all branches, particularly arithmetic and reading.

DISTRICT NO. 17. Fred M. Keniston, *Agent*.

Summer and winter terms taught by Miss Annie E. Gordon. Length of summer term, 10 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 9; average number, 8; wages of teacher, \$3.00. Length of winter term, 11 weeks; number of pupils in attendance, 13; average attendance, 9; wages of teacher, \$4.00. Miss Gordon is a fine scholar, and did good work in this district. The summer term was broken by sickness, but still fair progress was made. The winter term, not being broken, was more profitable. Good progress in all branches.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of pupils not absent one day during any term.

Dist. No. 1. Summer—Philip E. Abbott. Fall—Lizzie Johnson, Jamie Eastman, Philip E. Abbott, Clayton Powers, Charlie Lord, Lucy Charles. Winter—Charles W. Perkins, Anthony Johnson, Fred Sawtelle, Carlton Richardson, Ralph Cousins, Mary Cousins.

Dist. No. 4. Summer—Jennie Fessenden, Maud Parker, Maud Fessenden. Fall—Jennie Fessenden, Maud Fessenden.

Dist. No. 5. Spring—Sadie T. Walker.

Dist. No. 6. Summer—Ethel Douglass, Amelia Cole. Fall—Nellie M. Chadbourne, Abbie Pendexter.

Dist. No. 7. Fall—Ralph Willey.

- Dist. No. 8. Summer—Willis Farrington, Fred Hutchins, Walter Hardy, Bessie Page, Maud Irish, Mabel Perkins, Nellie Hardy, Emma Ballard, Rilla Hill. Fall—Bessie Page, Nellie Hardy, Eddie Hall, Willie Hall, Walter Hardy.
- Dist. No. 9. Summer—Martha Charles, Walter Sands, Hattie B. Towle. Fall—Jennie Charles, Martha Charles, Marion Jones, Charlie Stevens, Lloyd Stevens, Abbie Towle, Emma Towle, Hattie Towle, Elmer Walker.
- Dist. No. 10. Summer—Edith Andrews, Nellie Charles, Carrie Wiley, Addie Wiley, Maud Johnson, Hattie Mansfield, Josie Mansfield, Hattie Webb, Sadie Seavey, Carrie Isham, Cora Wiswell, Dora Mitchell, Ernest Johnson, Eben Pitman, Joe Pitman, Frank Wiley, Adelbert Wiley, Ralph Seavey, Charlie Smith. Fall—Adelbert Wiley, Frank Wiley, Susie Charles, Dora Mitchell, Rachel Charles, Carrie Isham, Maud Johnson, Edith Andrews, Josie Mansfield, Nora Charles, Sadie Seavey, Hattie Webb.
- Dist. No. 11. Summer—Louie Hutchins, Gertie Chandler, Abbie Hutchins, Hattie Walker, Ashley Eastman. Fall—Ashley Eastman, Elmer Hutchins.
- Dist. No. 12. Summer—Olive Knox, Minnie Day. Fall—Olive Knox, Minnie Day.
- Dist. No. 13. Summer—Esther Buzzell, Phebe Meserve, Hattie Barker, Eunice Barker, Harold Meserve, Willie Barker.
- Dist. No. 14. Summer—David Haley, Lowe Haley, Leroy L. Sands, Grace Haley, Lulu M. Sands, Gertrude Haley, Susie E. Sands, Carrie R. Osgood, Harry R. Osgood. Fall—David Haley, Lowe Haley, Jesse Osgood, Elroy L. Sands, Lulu M. Sands, Harry R. Osgood, Gertrude Haley, Carrie R. Osgood, Susie E. Sands, Frank Haley, Irving L. Sands, Lizzie B. Wiley.
- Dist. No. 15. Summer—Bertha Emerson, Edie Emery, Lida Johnson, Georgia Emery, Grace Holmes.
- Dist. No. 16. Summer—Eddie N. Davis, Emma W. Wiley, Jennie G. Smart. Winter—Ethel M. Smart.
- Dist. No. 17. Five each term, names not given.

Average weekly wages of teachers: Females, \$3.65; males, \$5.50; average length of terms in days, 45; average length of school year in weeks, 23.5.

REMARKS.

While some of our schools have not been just what we could wish, in the main they have been profitable. In nearly all our

larger schools we have had teachers of reputation and experience; while nearly all our young teachers have entered into their work with enthusiasm, and consequently have done good work. However, I think it a mistake to employ any but teachers of experience in our larger and most advanced schools. The young teachers may be equally well fitted, may pass just as good an examination, but still they lack in some things that experience alone will give. In some districts and among small scholars, they are often very profitable teachers, because they, having a small amount of money, wish to expend it judiciously and cannot afford to pay the prices that experienced teachers will command; so while the young teacher will answer every purpose, they prolong their schools, getting better results on the whole than they would to put their money into fewer weeks school. Thus the benefits are mutual. The three term system has been maintained in most districts, and is a decided improvement and one to be encouraged. The District System as now in use in this town is something of a relic, and I wish we might do away with it, and put in its place some system more modern, and that would lead to better results. By the State Superintendent's Report, I see that there are 100 towns that have voted to do away with the district system, an increase of 15 over last year, and that some towns contemplate a change at their coming March meeting.

Warren Colburn's Arithmetics have been put into our schools for their mental work. They give good satisfaction. I am sure there has been a marked improvement in analysis during the year, much of it due to the "Colburns." I have also changed the Arithmetics for the "Fish" Arithmetics, in two numbers, by the same publishers. This exchange was even, old books for new, the publishers to pay express on all introductory orders and on all old books returned; also, agreeing to furnish desk copies free, and, after introduction is complete, to furnish the large book for 50 cents and the small one for 25 cents, net. These Arithmetics are giving good satisfaction. I have also adopted Monroe's New Series of Readers in place of the old. I found that we were short of Readers, and there being a few of the new series in use and the old difficult to obtain, I deemed it best to adopt the new, which I did on the following terms: Primer, 9 cents; First Reader, 12 cents; Second Reader, 18 cents; Third Reader, 35 cents; Fourth Reader, 55 cents, and Fifth Reader, 70 cents. Old books in exchange. Express paid by publishers on all old books returned and on all introductory orders of new books. After introduction

is complete they will be furnished at the following net contract prices: Primer, 12 cents; First Reader, 17 cents; Second Reader, 25 cents; Third Reader, 35 cents; Fourth Reader, 55 cents; Fifth Reader, 70 cents. There is one less book in the series, which is an advantage; they are well bound, finally illustrated from new cuts, and second to none in the quality of the reading matter they contain. Thus the town is again supplied with new Arithmetics and Readers at very small cost. I think some other Grammar would give better results. I very much prefer a one book series, but thought best not to change them this year.

There has been no change made in our school-houses the past year. No. 1 has added Reading Charts, and No. 10 a collection of Outline Maps. There has been no very serious disturbance in any school. Many of the terms have been quite badly broken up by mumps and whooping cough, which of course prevented the best work from being done in them. On the whole, the work for the school year just past will compare favorably with the one before it. In many cases the improvement has been most marked. I would recommend that agents procure more and better furniture for the school-houses. Some have no pail or broom; many no erasers or chalk, unless furnished by the teachers; and none a thermometer. I wish to again urge upon all the necessity of this inexpensive article. The proper temperature of the school-room has much to do with the health and comfort of the inmates, and their improvement as well.

Respectfully submitted,

B. WALKER McKEEN, *Supervisor.*

Town Meeting, March 5, 1888, at 9 o'clock A. M.

IMPORTANT ARTICLES INSERTED IN THE WARRANT.

- To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
- To see what sums of money the town will raise for schools, support of the poor, repair of roads and bridges, current expenses of the town, for payment on the bonded debt, deficiencies of 1887, as seen in the report, and for Grover Post for decorative purposes.
- To see if the town will vote to repair its roads by cash system.
- To see if the town will vote to build a bridge across Saco River at Swan's Falls, and raise money to pay for same.
- To see if the town will vote to sell the town-house to Fryeburg Lodge, No. 54, I. O. O. F., or lease the upper part and allow the lodge to finish it into a hall for the use of the lodge.
- To see if the town will vote to exempt the Oxford House lot and the house if rebuilt.
- To see if the town will abate taxes on the West Oxford Agricultural Society Fair Grounds.
- To see if the town will grant an appropriation for the opening of Barrows Street to those building houses on said street.
- To see if the town will buy rollers or other implements to be used in breaking out roads.
- To see if the town will vote to change the present manner of calling town meetings.

C. H. WALKER. } *Selectmen*
D. D. CARLTON. } *of*
D. H. CHANDLER. } *Fryeburg.*