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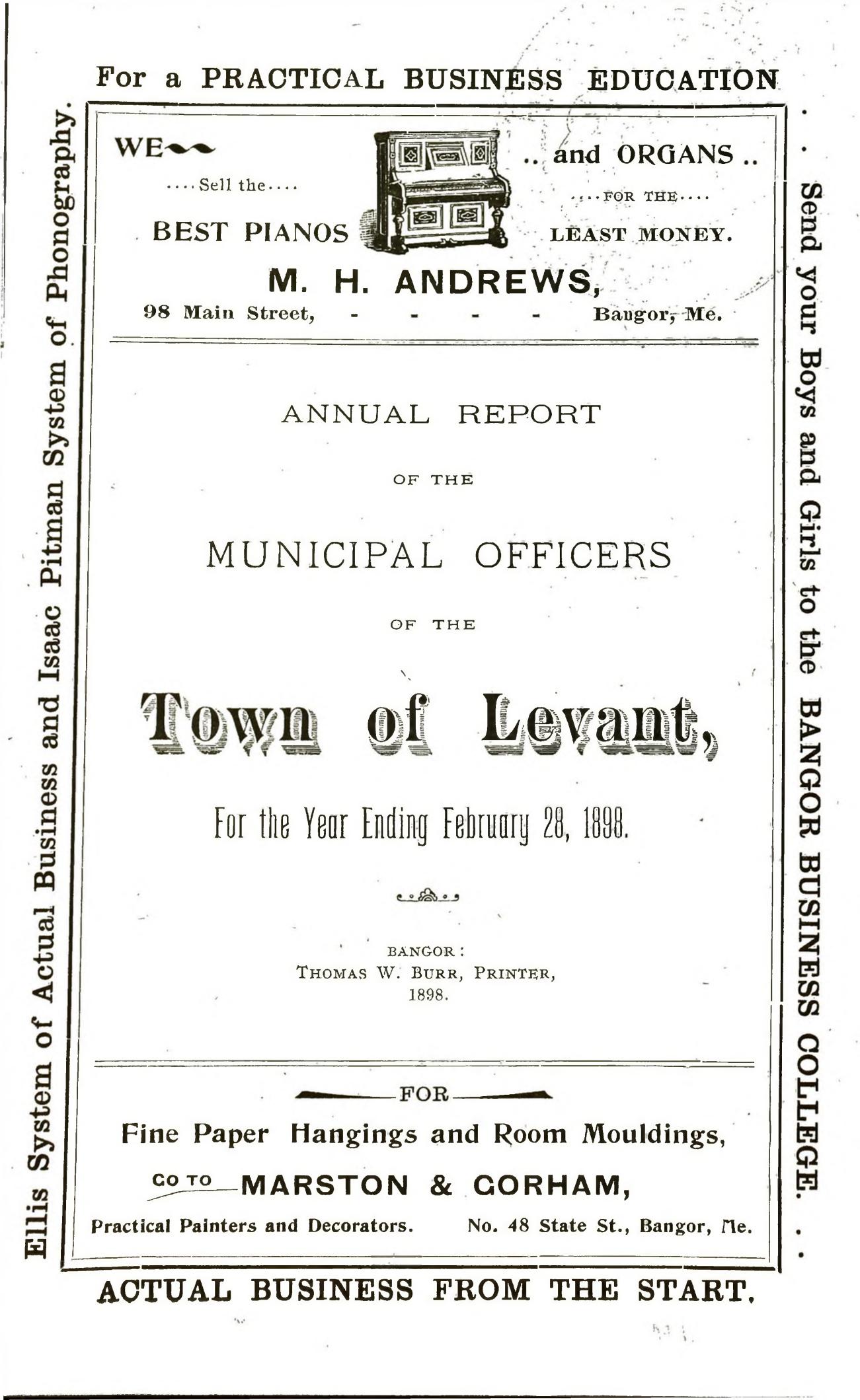
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## Report of the Selectmen.

GENTLEMEN:

Your selectmen, assessors and overseers of poor in accordance with the statute, section 1, chapter 359, public laws of 1885, make the following printed report.

The following is the valuation of the taxable property as found by us on the first day of April, 1897.

Valuation	of	resident real estate	\$170,390
	"	non-resident real estate	13,350
6 6		personal estate	48,721

Total valuation..... \$232,461

Following is the items on which we made our assessment: Town raised March 8, 1897, as follows:—

" "	for schools \$	800 00
66 66	" support of poor	300 00
"	" contingent expenses	700 <b>0</b> 0
"	" memorial purposes	15 00
"	" school books and repairs	350 00
"	to buy road machine	250 00
"	to work the road machine	300 00

Total	\$2715	00
Add State tax	728	74
county tax	335	43
overlayings	191	20
highway deficiencies	62	24

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Percentage sixteen mills.

Polls 251, one dollar each.

June 1, 1897, all of which has been paid and is now in the treasury.

Orders	drawn and paid.		
No. 1.	To T. W. Burr, for printing report of 1896	<b>§</b> 10	0
2,	Charles Hight, materials for office	12	5(
3,	A. P. Chick, for casket for burial of Mrs. Lorena Langley	12	0
4,	Helen Pomroy, for teaching in Dist. No. 5	50	0
5,	Helen Pomroy, for teaching in Dist. No. 5	40	00
6,	C. V. Call, for wood for Dist. No. 5	12	0
7,	Mrs. G. W. Worthing, for teaching in Dist. No. 6	40	0
8,	C. V. Call, for wood for Dist. No. 6	9	0
9,	Grace Morrison, for teaching summer and fall terms in Dist. No. 7	90	0(
10,	Frank White, for school wood in Dist. No. 7	12	0
11,	Mildred Dodge, for teaching summer and fall terms in Dist. No. 8	126	D
19	Mrs. G. W. Worthing, for teaching in Dist. No. 6	50	
12, 12	C. H. Eldridge, for school wood for Dist. No. 8	16	
13, 14,	Delma B. Felker, for teaching summer and fall terms in	10	2.
1.1.3	Dist. No. 9	90	0
15,	Lizzie A. Milliken, for teaching in Dist. No. 10	40	
16,	Nellie M. Wing, for teaching in Dist. No. 10		
17,	C. V. Call, for school wood in Dist. No. 10		0
18,	Mrs. M. C. Abbee, for teaching summer and fall terms in		
10,	Dist. No. 11	126	0
19,	Charlie Bragg, for building fires in Dist. No. 11		5
20,	D. E. Clement, for board of teacher in Dist. No. 11.	16	
$\frac{20}{21}$	L. N. Bemis, for school wood for Dist. No. 11	13	
21, 22,	Ginn & Co., for school books	228	
23,	American Book Co., for school books	19	
24,	Werner Book Co., for school books	70	
25,	R. B. Hodgdon, for repairs on school-house		6
26,	Wood Bishop & Co., for stove fixtures for schools		-40
27,	L. Barton, for school books	6	()
28,	Newell White, for book labels.	1	
29,	A. O. Wing, for services as sexton at burial of Mrs. Lang-		
,	ley and Stilman Orff.	6	0
30,	C. S. F. Whitcomb, M. D., for treatment of Mrs. Langley	2	0
31,	A. B. Colby, for digging Mrs. Langley's grave	:5	0
32,	I. W. Tibbetts M. D., for treatment of James Simpson	1 + 2 2 + 3	0
33,	G. E. Sanburn, for bringing Amanda Patterson from Ban-		
,	gor city alms house		-
34,	A. P. Chick, for casket and robe for Stilman Orff	12	()
35,	Thompson & Cosmey, for stove and castings for town farm		
,	and funnel for town house	5	7
36,	C. W. Fernald, for plank for highways	23	5
37,	Morse & Co., for timber and plank for bridges	38	3
38,	E. F. Waugh, for culvert plank	1	3
39,	L. L. Barnes, for work on Lake bridge		2
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	40,	Tyler & Conant, for boot between road machines	175	00	
	41,	John White, for cash expended on easterly end of Avenue road, bills on file			
	42,	E. I. Batchelder, cash paid out and services as road com-			
		missioner with machine in full	75	40	
	43,	C. G. Niles, for memorial purposes		00	
	44,	Geo. W. Read, for cash paid out as Clerk	8	73	
	45,	Town of Corinth, tuition	19	20	
	46,	D. E. Clement, for board of teacher in Dist. No. 11	<b>20</b>	00	
	47,	American Book Co., for school books	8	00	
	48,	A. O. Staples, for repairs on school-house in Dist. No. 11	4	00	
	49,	Joseph Stackpole, for stone work on Lake bridge	7	50	
	50,	Liberty Wetherbee, for preaching sermon at funeral of			
		Stilman Orff	3	00	
	51,	C. W. Fernald, for culvert and bridge plank	16	20	
	52.	Charlie Bragg, for building fires in Dist. No. 11	1	50	
	53,	R. W. McLaughlin, for digging S. Orff's grave	2	50	
8	54,	Frank White, treasurer of school fund for interest	84	73	
	55,	L. N. Bemis, for articles for town, see bill	<b>23</b>	11	
	56,	I. D. Manning, for laying floor at town farm		00	
	57,	C. W. Luce, for labor on Lake bridge		10	
	58,	Cyrus Houston, for school wood in Dist. No. 6	3	50	
	59,	L. N. Bemis, for articles for school purposes	1	09	
	60,	A. T. Leighton, for part pay for Supt. of poor	162	00	
	61,	C. S. F. Whitcomb, M. D., for treatment of Stilman Orff			
		and making medical records		50	
	62,	Geo. M. Hodgdon, for teaching in Dist. No. 6			
	63,	C. F. Wilson, for teaching in Dist. No. 9		00	
	64,	C. L. Abbee, for teaching in Dist. No. 11			
	65,	A. H. Wyman, for teaching in Dist. No. 7		50	
	66,	F. B. Sylvester, for conveyance of scholars in Dist. No. 11		00	
	67,	F. K. Burnett, for conveyance of scholars in Dist. No. 11		00	
	68,	Willie Steen, for building school fires in Dist. No. 9		50	
	69,	'Town of Corinth for tuition		60	
	70,	A. D. Emerson, for school wood for Dist. No. 9		00	
	71,	W. H. Houston, for conveyance of scholars in Dist. No. 5		50	
	72,	W. E. Hughey, for banking school-house and repairs on		0.0	
		same in Dist. No. 8		00	
	73,	C. F. Wilson, for sundries for schools, see bill		01	
	74,	Frank Tibbets, for board of help at work on Lake bridge		40	
	75,	G. and O. M. Harvey for bridge plank		59	
	76,	A. D. Emerson, for plank and spikes for bridge	4	90	
	77,	City of Brewer for support and medical treatment of fam- ily of Ruel P. Curtis	78	86	. 1
	78,	Frank White, for services as superintendent of schools		00	
	79,	Frank White, for cash paid for school purposes	5	<b>25</b>	
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	80,	Frank White, for abatement of two poll taxes for 1896 and		
		1897, taxed by mistake	2	00
	81,	Frank White, for collecting non-resident highway tax com-		
		mitted to him as general highway surveyor	5	62
	82,	Frank White, for posting warrants for March meeting	2	00
	83,	Frank White, for collecting and treasuring for 1897	<b>2</b> 01	63
	84,	John White, for services as selectman, etc	<b>72</b>	00
	85,	John White, for cash paid for expenses while doing town		
	·	business for the year 1897	14	59
	86,	J. P. Milliken, for conveyance of scholars in district No. 5	22	50
	87,	W. M. Oakman, for teaching in district No. 8	120	00
	88,	F. L. Ferren, for teaching in district No. 5		
	89,	F. L. Ferren, for school fixtures.		50
	90,	L. S. & C. L. Ferren, for school flxtures.	1	02
	91,	L. S. & C. L. Ferren, for difference paid in cows on town		
		farm	5	00
	92,	T. N. Morrison, for conveyance of scholars to school in		
		district No. 5	22	50
	93,	John White, for cash paid for town for expenses of burial		
		of Mrs. G. W. Tibbetts	35	00
	94,	F. W. Turner, for services as selectman, etc	28	00
	95,	C. L. Ferren, for services as selectman, etc	23	00
	96,	Ned W. Wing, for work with team on the highway	12	00
	97,	Geo. W. Read \$13 for services as clerk and \$7.72 to record		
		and pay postage on vital statistics.	20	72
Wo	havo	received of the town and turned over to the Treasurer		
		m total of	529	52
		which you will find rightly itemized further on in the		
		rer's report and verified by the report of your Auditor.		
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## STANDING OF TOWN AS FAR AS KNOWN FEB. 28, 1898.

#### ASSETS.

Old tax deeds unestimated.		
Dog license in hands of State treasurer\$	40	00
Due from J. G. Brickett on order No. 113 of 1892,		
which will outlaw this year	7	30
Also due of J. G. Brickett by way of money paid by		
town of Stetson for support of G. W. Horne,		
year of 1892	2	00
There is due from William and Myron E. Manley for		
treatment and support of said Myron E. at the		
Insane Hospital	182	82
There is due the town from George W. Tibbetts	35	00
" " cash in the treasury	2082	96
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Total amount of assets\$2	,350	08

#### LIABILITIES.

Due school fund\$	242 50
" town of Unity	37 50
" " Hampden	10 40
May be due A. T. Leighton	38 00

T. W. Burr for this year's report	IO	00
There is a claim for support of Diadema S. Clark by		
town of Etna, amounting to about	372	00
Due T. W. Vose and P. H. Gillin, perhaps	20	00
Estimated abatements	25	00
	14	
	\$ 755	40
Deduct Etna suit which certainly does not belong to	\$ 755	40
Deduct Etna suit which certainly does not belong to us to pay leaves liabilities	\$ 755 383	
	383	40

We took our town spring of 1893, in debt \$1456.60, we have had less money raised us as your books will show, than those

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who preceded us. We now leave you with net assets of \$1866.68, a difference in five years of \$3823.28.

Town raised to be expended in labor on the highways in the usual way, which meant in many cases play it out, \$2500.00, which we assessed and committed to the surveyors and general highway surveyor April 23, 1897. Frank White, our general highway surveyor, made a clean collection of his bills at fifty cents on the dollar as by vote of the town.

#### REPORT OF TOWN FARM.

The farm is being carried on by A. T. Leighton. His term expires on the 23rd inst. We had to give him more than \$200 more than we have ever paid, in order to have poor Stillman Orff well cared for, who was getting to be a great care. Mr. Orff died Dec. 9 last. There are two cows, one shote, on farm; same farming tools as a year ago and same furniture and cooking utensils. Same bedding with some additions. His obligation is on file. Everything to be left as good as found.

Your selectmen suggest that we now have more money in the

treasury than is necessary, although care should be taken to reserve enough to pay all bills at sight till early fall. You probably think we have got this surplus on hand on account of the tariff.

Very respectfully,

JOHN WHITE, C. L. FERREN, F. W. TURNER. Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor of Levant.

Levant, Feb. 28, 1898.

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

As auditor of the town of Levant for the municipal year 1897, I submit the following report.

I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the selectmen with the following result:

I find the available cash assets from all sources has been \$5529.52. I also find that orders have been drawn to the amount of \$3446.56, leaving an unexpended balance of \$2082.96. I also find that each order has been drawn on a proper voucher for a legal purpose, and that all orders paid by the treasurer have been returned to the selectmen, and by them duly cancelled. The items of assets and expenditures for the past year appear in the selectmen's report and I need not repeat them here.

I further report that I have examined the accounts of the town treasurer for the year ending February 28, 1898, and find them properly vouched for and hereby approve the same.

S. G. JERRARD, Auditor.

## Treasurer's Report.

FRANK WHITE, Treasurer, in account with the TOWN OF LEVANT.

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			ent for 1897						
			n local school fund						84 7
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	66	66	" " Mill tax						765 8
	66	66	" " Dog lie	ense					46 5
	4.6	66	town clerk						3 0
	66	6.6	W. W. Goss, for l	iens	from farm	n			82
	6 6	66	W. W. Goss, for	potat	oes from	farı	n		1.5
	66	6.6	Corinth for tuition	n for	1896				128
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### Report of Superintendent of Schools FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1898.

#### To the Citizens of the town of Levant:

I submit the following report :

#### **RESOURCES.**

Amount raised by town	800	00	
Balance due from last year	157	17	
From Corinth for tuition for 1896	12	80	
Interest on local school fund	84	73	
State mill tax	765	85	
Total amount			\$1820 55

#### LIABILITIES.

Orders dra	wn on	district	No. 5	
	" "	66	6	
"	" "	"	7 193 50	
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To Corinth	for tu	ition for	1896 19 20	
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Tota	l amou	nt of lia	oilities,	\$1578 05

Due the school fund, \$242 50

Your S. S. Committee voted to suspend the winter term of school in Dist. No. 10, and the scholars to have proper conveyance to the school in Dist. No. 5.

Your Superintendent was instructed to have the scholars conveyed in the several districts the same as last year, also to make all necessary repairs and buy all necessary articles for school purposes.

Voted to have three terms of school. Spring term of eight weeks, fall and winter terms of ten weeks, making twenty-eight weeks of school for the past year.

Your town voted last spring to make parents pay for all damage done to school books by their scholars; your S. S. Committee also instructed me to do so. I have a list of all books damaged. I have received pay for part and have the money in my possession.

Whole number of scholars in town 316, making about \$5.75 per capita.

'The following orders were drawn for school books including writing books, labels and Record Books:

··· ·· 23. ·· ·· 24. ·· ·· 27.	To Ginn & Co., " American Book Co., " Werner & Co., " L. Barton, " Newell White,		\$228 12 19 22 70 50 6 00 1 75	
·· ·· 47·	" American Book Co.,		8 00	
Total amo For repai	ount for books, rs,			\$333 59
·· ·· 26.	To B. R. Hodgdon, "Wood, Bishop & Co., "A. O Staples,		\$8 65 1 40 4 00	
Total amo	ount,			14 05
	ount for school books and repairs, aised for said purpose,			\$347 64 350 00
Due Fund	1,			\$2 36
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Our book bill ought to be light for a number of years, if the books are properly cared for.

The following orders were drawn for conveyance of scholars:

			To F. B. Sylvester,	\$25 00
			" Frank Burnett,	9 00
		-	"W. H. Houston,	7 50
6.6			" J. P. Milliken,	22 50
6.6	" "	92.	" T. N. Morrison,	22 50

Total amount,

The following orders were drawn for articles for school purposes :

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Order	No.	59.	To L. N. Bemis,	\$1.09
6.6			"W. E. Hewey,	3 00
6.6	6.6	73.	" C. F. Wilson,	I O I
6.6	6.6	89.	"F. L. Ferren,	50
6.6	6.6	90.	" L. S. and C. L. Ferren,	1 02

" " 79. " Frank White,

Total amount,

#### SCHOOLS.

#### District No. 5.

Summer and fall terms taught by Helen Pomroy of South Levant. Whole number attending school in summer, 14; average, 11. Whole number attending in fall, 16; average, 14. Miss Pomroy gave perfect satisfaction. The best of order.

Winter term taught by L. F. Ferren. Whole number attending school, 26; average, 21. This was a satisfactory term.

#### District No. 6.

Summer and fall terms taught by Mrs. George Worthing of West Levant. Both terms satisfactory.

Winter term taught by George M. Hodgdon of West Levant. Whole number attending school, 12; average, 11. This was a profitable term of school.

#### District No. 7.

Summer and fall terms taught by Grace D. Morrison of West Levant. Miss Morrison gave perfect satisfaction.

Winter term taught by Albert Wyman of Levant. Mr. Wyman is a good teacher.

#### District No. 8.

Summer term taught by Mildred B. Dodge of Carmel. Whole number attending school, 31; average, 25. This was a satisfactory term of school. Fall term also taught by Miss Dodge.

Winter term taught by Walter Oakman of Corinth. Whole number attending school, 38; average, 32. Mr. Oakman taught a first class term of school.

#### District No. 9.

Summer term taught by Miss Delma B. Felker. This was Miss Felker's first school. She will make a fine teacher. Whole number attending school, 12; average, 9. Fall term also taught by Miss Felker, with the same number of scholars.

Winter term taught by C. F. Wilson. This school was not near as large as I expected it would be, but Mr. Wilson gave perfect satisfaction.

#### District No. 10.

Summer term taught by Lizzie A. Milliken of West Levant. Whole number attending school, 12; average, 11. This was Miss Milliken's first school and the scholars all learned well under her discipline.

Fall term taught by Nellie M. Mills of Bangor. Whole number attending school, 14; average, 10. Miss Mills is as good a teacher for small scholars as I ever saw in a school room.

#### District No. 11

Summer and fall terms taught by Mrs. C. L. Abbee of East Exeter. Whole number attending school in summer, 50; average, 41. Whole number attending in fall, f51; average, 45. Mrs. Abbee has taught forty one terms of school. I need not say that these were profitable terms, because her schools always speak for themselves.

Winter term taught by C. L. Abbee of East Exeter. Whole number attend-

ing school, 49; average, 43. Mr. Abbee tries to teach as good a school as Mrs. Abbee. I will leave it for the scholars to decide.

GENTLEMEN: Your S. S. Committee instructed C. F. Wilson and myself to make the change in school books that you voted last spring to have made. We got the bottom dollar on prices from several publishing houses and then adopted those books we thought best for our schools. I am very much pleased with the change. I think it is satisfactory with our committee and also with our scholars. Your S. S. Committee put the books into my care and I have a record of every book I have let go out of my hands, something that has never been done in this town. I can tell you where every book is and the condition it is in, with the exception of those I claim were stolen from the school house in Dist. No. 8. When there has been any damage done to our school property I have tried to find the person who did it. Your school house in Dist. No. 8 was continuously being broken into and other damage done, but I could not find out who did it until the past winter. I claim I have found out who broke into the house and that they also stole books. I had the parties arrested and the court sustained me in my charges.

I respectfully submit this report with thanks to you all.

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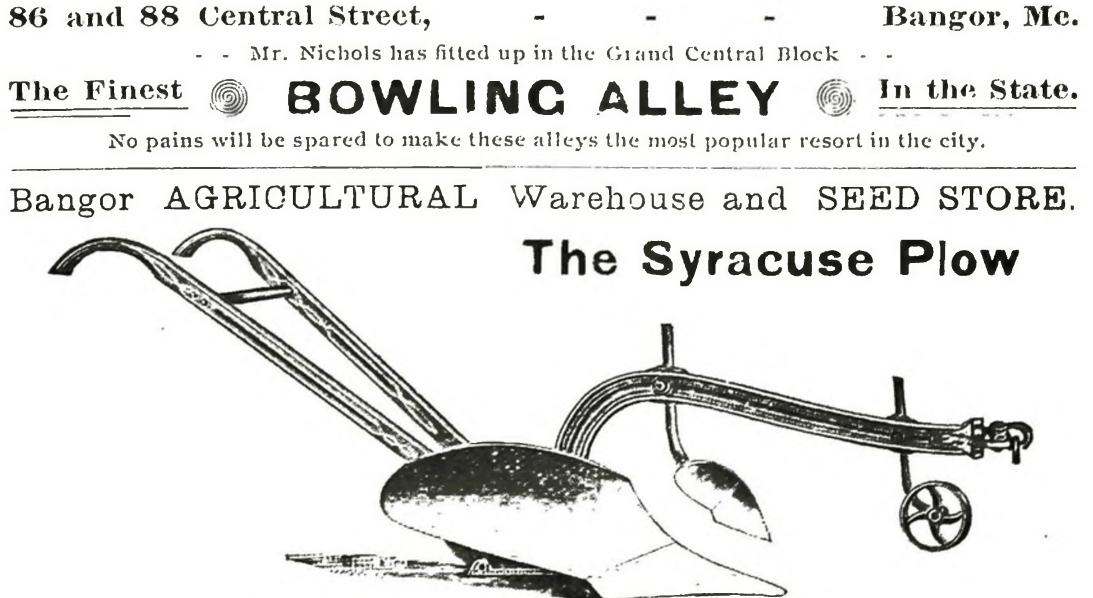
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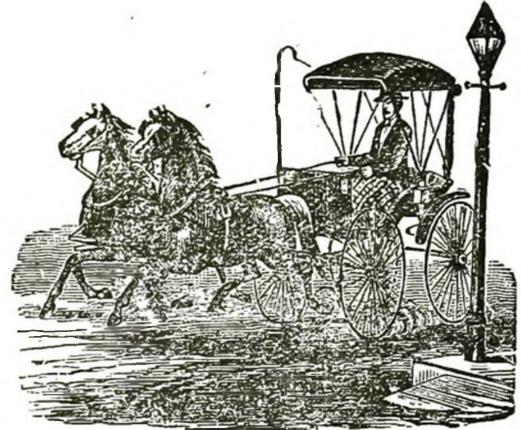
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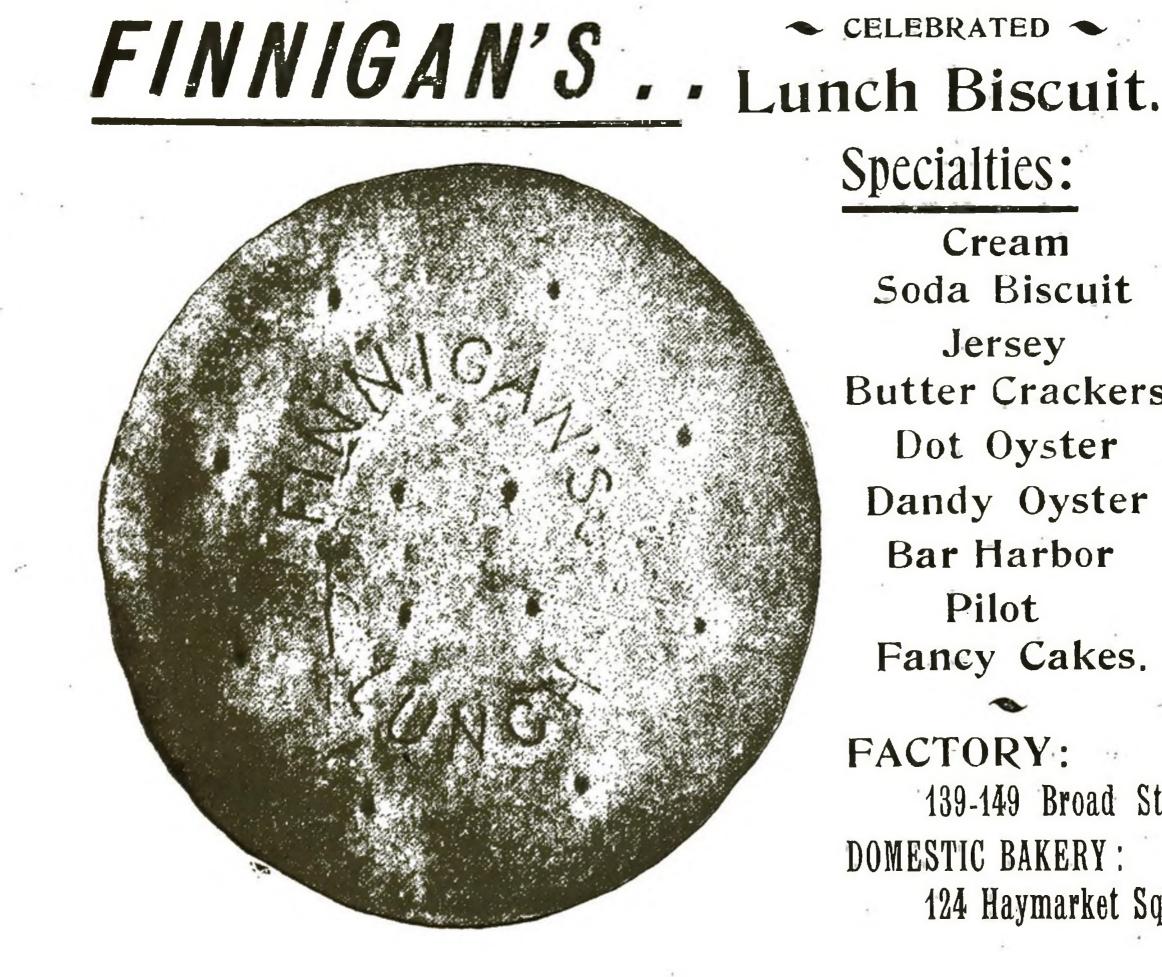


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