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—OF THE—  
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS  
—AND—  
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS

—OF THE—  
TOWN OF PALMYRA,

1883-84.



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## Department of Overseers of the Poor.

### TOWN FARM

Invoice of property on farm Feb. 18th. 1884.

2 pairs of oxen,.....	\$250 00
4 cows, \$140 00; 1 yearling, \$10 00,.....	150 00
37 sheep,.....	150 00
3 swine, \$15 00; 39 hens, \$19 50,.....	34 50
	———— \$584 50

### PRODUCTS OF FARM AND PROVISIONS

23 tons of hay, 184 00—1-2 ton of straw, 2 00, \$186 00	
12 bush. corn. 9 00—189 lbs. shorts, 2 30.....	11 30
3 3-4 bush. peas, 3 75—6 bush beans, 15 00,....	18 75
18 bush. barley, 15 30—5 1-4 bu. buck wheat, 4 12 19 42	
53 lbs. dried apple, 5 30—4 galls. pickles, 1 25,...	6 55
1 1-2 bbls. clear pork, 33 00—125 lbs. ham, 13 75 46 75	
54 bush. potatoes, .....	13 50
35 bush. turnips and beets, .....	8 75
1 bush. onions, 75c.—3 bbls. soap, 12 00.....	12 75
285 galls. vinegar, 34 20—48 galls. cider, 5 76...	39 96

180 lbs. beef, 12 60—29 lbs. spare-rib, 2 90, . . . . .	\$15 50
2 galls. boiled cider, . . . . .	1 00
4 galls. cider apple sauce, . . . . .	1 80
6 galls. mince meat, 5 00,—12 lbs. butter, 2 64, . . . . .	7 64
53 lbs. lard, 6 62,—3 lbs. tallow, .24, . . . . .	6 86
8 lbs. cheese, 1 20,—1 gal. ketchup, .75, . . . . .	1 95
1-2 bbl. flour. 3 50,—groceries, spices &c., 3 50, . . . . .	7 00
18 vinegar, meat and soap bbls., . . . . .	18 00
500 ft. bass boards,—5 1-4 M. cedar shingles, . . . . .	16 81
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	\$440 29
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	\$1024 79
Farming tools and household furniture, . . . . .	417 45
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Whole amount of property on farm Feb. 18 '84, . . . . .	\$1442 24
Whole amount of property on farm Feb. 17 '83, . . . . .	1474 14
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Decrease of property, . . . . .	\$31 90

### STOCK AND PRODUCE SOLD.

1 pair oxen, . . . . .	\$135 00
2 calves, 15 00—3 pigs, 5 00. . . . .	20 00
33 lambs, 82 50—208 lbs. wool, 47 84, . . . . .	130 34
1 cowhide, 3 81—119 lbs. beef, 9 52, . . . . .	13 33
276 lbs. round hog, 19 32—20 1-2 lbs. pork, 2 56, . . . . .	21 88
41 1-2 lbs. poultry, 4 98—Feeting &c., 1 90 . . . . .	6 88
19 9-62 bush. beans, . . . . .	53 80
15 3-4 bush. potatoes, . . . . .	10 52
144 lbs. ham, 14 45—9 bush. barley, 8 10. . . . .	22 55
3 1-2 bush. buck wheat, . . . . .	3 50
12 galls. vinegar, . . . . .	2 35
335 lbs. butter, 65 53—125 doz. eggs, 22 77, . . . . .	88 30
Lumber sold, . . . . .	28 26
Labor, . . . . .	1 63

Rec'd for board of Benj. Stewart. ....	34 00
Rec'd for interest on money for oxen, .....	2 80
Due from Benj. Stewart, for board,.....	15 00
	————— \$590 14

#### AMOUNT OF ALL BILLS OF PURCHASE.

1 pair of steers,.....	\$105 00
1 cow, 30 00—1 buck, 6 00,.....	36 00
All other bills of purchase for farm and house,...	295 79
Salary of overseer,.....	290 00
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Whole expense of farm,.....	\$726 79
Deduct stock and produce sold,.....	590 14
	————— \$136 65
Add decrease of property,.....	31 90
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Balance against farm, .....	\$168 55

Number of paupers on the farm, 6.  
Average age, 79 1-2 years.

Owing to sickness and deaths on the farm, the position of Mr. McCrillis and wife (as overseers) has been a trying one, and we feel it due to them to say that we think they have performed their part well and faithfully.

The balance against the farm is not large when we consider the number in the family supported, and the fall in price of hay, sheep and potatoes,

#### PAUPER BILLS OUTSIDE OF FARM.

Paid on acc't of L. F. Nason,.....	\$67 17
“          Lizzie Sherwood,.....	25 00
“          David Grant, sickness and burial,...	30 52
“          Isaac Sally, sickness and burial, ...	24 25
Dr. Howe, and town of Pittsfield, on account of B. Stewart, .....	64 42

Paid for removing Benjamin Stewart to farm,.....	\$2 00
Benjamin Parkman for taking care of Mrs. Berry,....	82 00
S. A. Parkman for helping take care of Mrs. Berry,...	8 00
Town of Orland on acc't of Lizzie Hart,.....	47 49
"                    Charles Hart,.....	5 87
Town of Blue Hill on acc't of Chas. Hart,.....	52 46
On acc't of Henry Morton,.....	34 00
"                    William B. Morrison,.....	6 25
Town of Bridgewater on acc't of Phebe Coole, .....	29 20
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	\$478 63
Due town of Thorndike on acc't of Charles Maxim.....	\$10 50
"          Plymouth on acc't of David Grant,.....	35 00
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	\$524 13
Reported due last year to Blue Hill,.....	35 00
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Whole expense of paupers outside of farm,.....	\$489 13
Due Dr. Manson on acc't of Tuttle family,.....	\$26 00
Town, from town of Brighton,.....	\$26 00

## Selectmen and Assessors Department.

### ASSESSMENTS.

Valuation of property 1883.

Amount of real estate,.....	\$263 620 00
Amount of personal estate,.....	66 198 00
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	\$334 818 00

### AMOUNT OF MONEY ASSESSED.

Amount raised for schools,.....	\$1016 80
Amount raised for town charges,.....	900 00
Amount raised to expend on roads and bridges,.....	300 00
Amount of state tax,.....	1433 31
Amount of county tax,.....	412 61

Amount overlays,.....	199 66
Whole amount assessed,.....	\$4262 38
Amount assessed on polls,.....	\$580 00
Rate per cent. 11 mills.	
Delinquent highway tax,.....	7 47
Supplemental tax,.....	2 00

#### ABATEMENTS.

J. P. Longley tax 1879,.....	\$2 58
Peter H. Lang tax 1881-2,.....	52 31
W. D. Mitchell tax 1883,.....	24 27
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	\$79 16

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Samuel Farnham, on Spaulding road,.....	\$4 00
H. G. Johonnett, Madawaska hill,.....	52 10
Chas. A. Dyer, for stone culvert,.....	9 50
Howard Estes, labor on Ell hill,.....	38 25
D. H. Pooler, " " .....	17 00
C. A. Dyer, " " .....	12 00
M. Dyer, " " and cash paid out, ..	132 74
S. P. Dexter, for gravel for Ell hill,.....	3 00
Jeremiah McCarty, order for plank, .....	4 32
Dexter & McMaster, stringer, Welch brook, .....	2 42
Mahoney & Dyer, stone culvert etc.....	15 75
Dyer & Estes, stone culvert,.....	10 00
John Spaulding, taking down fence,.....	1 20
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	\$302 28

#### TOWN OFFICER'S BILLS.

Paid H. C. Webber, selectman etc.....	\$77 25
M. Dyer, " " .....	31 00

Paid H. G. Johonett, selectman etc.....	43 75
J. Q. Adams, treasurer,.....	25 00
J. F. Harvey, clerk,.....	10 00
Due B. P. Hanson,.....	61 00
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	\$248 00

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid outstanding order given for hired money to take up H. B. Allen mortgage,.....	\$208 00
Belle Maddocks, services as supervisor 1882,.....	30 00
C. B. Hilton, last qr. on farm, 1882,.....	72 50
C. R. McCrillis, 3 qrs. services on farm for 1883,....	217 50
Judkins & Murch, insurance on town farm buildings,	13 50
H. C. Webber, postage, blank books, stationery etc.	11 76
For paints and labor painting town house and iron bridge,.....	66 67
For repairs, wood and taking care of hall, .....	16 53
Outstanding order reported due last year,.....	4 38
E. Q. Frost, building village cemetery fence, .....	59 00
O. L. Soule, for school books furnished Bowman Eldridge and Henry Morton per order of supervisor,	5 22
For school books,.....	16 96
H. C. Webber, moderator, March 1883,.....	1 50
Peter H. Lang, collector of 1882,.....	26 40
Judkins & Morrill, for printing town report,.....	21 00
On acct. of W. E. Lord and back by Lebanon, .....	74 03
Geo. N. Colby, for County Atlas,.....	8 50
Tax cost and interest on Shaw & Dow land sold for taxes,.....	17 05
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	\$870 50
Paid the several school districts,.....	\$1877 49



## RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid pauper bills outside of farm, .....	\$478 63
On roads and bridges, .....	302 28
Town officers, .....	187 00
Miscellaneous bills, .....	870 50
Abatements, .....	79 16
The several school districts, .....	1877 49
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	\$3795 06
Amount of orders turned over from treasurer and canceled, .....	\$3795 06

## Treasurer's Report.

March 6th. 1883.	Dr.	
To cash in treasury, .....		\$75 75
Collected of town of Lebanon, . . . . .		74 03
From sale of products of town farm, .....		145 00
"    school books, .....		32 09
Of J. B. Chase for rent of town hall 1882, .....		2 00
For rent of town hall 1883, .....		33 00
Non-resident taxes collected of 1883, .....		317 25
From State Railroad tax of 1883, .....		60
School fund collected of 1882-3, .....		1138 03
Of Peter H. Lang, on collections of 1881-2, .....		736 17
Of W. D. Mitchell,                      "                    1883, .....		2019 04
From sale of village cemetery fence, .....		50
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		\$4573 46

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By selectmen's receipt for orders turned over and canceled, .....		\$3795 06
Cash in treasury, .....		778 40
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		\$4573 46

J. Q. Adams,  
Treasurer.

## Funds of the Town.

Due from Peter H. Lang, collector 1882,.....	\$55 37
W. D. Mitchell, collector 1883,.....	300 00
Non-resident taxes returned,.....	106 89
On tax deed on Shaw & Dow land sold to town,....	18 11
School books on hand,.....	80 85
Cash in hands of overseer of town farm,.....	68 30
Cash in treasury,.....	778 40
	\$1407 92

## LIABILITIES OF TOWN.

Due school fund order in hands of treasurer,.....	\$1163 33
C. R. McCrillis, last qr. on farm,.....	72 50
W. D. Mitchell, collector of 1883,.....	34 17
Byron P. Hanson, supervisor 1883,.....	61 00
On pauper bills, .....	45 50
The several districts,.....	121 46
	\$1497 96
Deduct funds,.....	1407 92
	\$90 04

The selectmen submit the foregoing as the financial standing of the town and the expenditures for the year commencing Mar. 3d, 1883, and ending Mar. 3d, 1884. We have left out of the funds of the town the H. B. Allen mortgage which was reported as a fund last year, which accounts for the larger part of the difference in the standing of the town from last year.

H. C. WEBBER,	}	<i>Selectmen</i>
M. DYER,		<i>of</i>
H. G. JOHONNETT,		<i>Palmyra.</i>

Palmyra, Me. Feb. 22nd. 1884.

# ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

## *SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,*

Of The Town of Palmyra,

**FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1884.**

Amount of money raised by town,.....	\$1016 80
State school fund and mill tax, .....	559 81
Interest on town school fund,.....	69 80
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Total, .....	\$1646 41

Whole number of scholars in town, 352. Number of male teachers employed the past year, 2. Number of female teachers employed the past year, 21. Number of terms taught in town the past year, 32. Cost of supervision, \$61 00

### Report by Districts.

#### DISTRICT No. 1.

B. A. Damon, agent. Miss Ada P. Merrifield, of Plymouth taught the summer and fall term and gave excellent satisfaction in her work. Length of term, 21 weeks, whole number of scholars 13, number registered 8, average 6, wages \$2 50, board \$1 25, amount apportioned district \$91 00.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

Herman Welch, agent. Miss Achsa Martin, of Detroit taught the summer term and gave general satisfaction. Length of term 8 weeks, whole number of scholars 16, number registered 13, average 10, wages \$2 50, board \$2 00. Winter term taught by the same teacher with equally good success. Length of term 13 weeks, whole number of scholars registered 13, average 12, wages \$3 00, board \$2 00, amount apportioned \$90 00.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

G. W. Hanson, agent. Miss Katie M. Davis of this town taught the summer term. This was Miss Davis' first attempt at teaching and she acquitted herself well. The closing examination showed good progress and thorough work. Length of term 7 weeks, whole number of scholars 10, number registered 7, average 5, wages \$2 00, board \$1 50. Winter term was also taught by Miss Davis with like success. Length of term 14 weeks, number registered 7, average 5, wages \$3 00, board \$1 50, amount apportioned \$92 00.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

J. B. Chase, agent. Miss Lizzie N. Freeman of Detroit taught the summer term. Miss Freeman labored hard for the interest of this school and made it a success. Length of term 10 weeks, whole number of scholars 38, number registered 21, average 18, wages \$3 50, board \$1 80. Winter term taught by Mrs. Belle M. Maddocks of this town with the best of success. Length of term 11 weeks, number of scholars registered 24, average 20, wages \$6 00, board \$2 00, amount apportioned \$158 00.

## DISTRICT No. 5.

J. C. Millett, agent. Miss Nettie M. Patten of this town taught the summer term. This was Miss Patten's first school and she labored hard, giving general satisfaction. Length of term 6 weeks, whole number of scholars 9, number registered 5, average 4,

wages \$2 50, board \$1 35. Winter term taught by Miss Etta M. Parkman of this town, with her usual good success. Length of term 15 weeks, whole number of scholars registered 7, average 5, wages \$2 50, board \$1 35, amount apportioned \$36 00.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Nathan Cole, agent. Miss Carrie M. Vining of St. Albans taught the summer term, giving excellent satisfaction. Length of term 8 weeks, whole number of scholars 34, number registered 18, average 15, wages \$5 00, board 98c. Winter term was also taught by Miss Vining. This was a profitable term. The closing examination showed good progress and thorough work. Length of term 11 weeks, number of scholars registered 25, average 21, Wages \$6 25, board \$1 00, amount apportioned \$140 00.

DISTRICT No. 7.

C. B. McCrillis, agent. Mrs. Belle M. Maddocks of this town taught the summer term with her usual good success. Length of term 10 weeks, whole number of scholars 60, number registered 27, average 22, wages \$5 10, board \$1 25. Fall term was also taught by Mrs. Maddocks with good success. Length of term 8 weeks, number of scholars registered 30, average 24, wages \$4 87 1-2, board \$1 25. Winter term taught by Mr. B. P. Hanson of this town with his usual success. Length of term 12 weeks, number of scholars registered 32, average — wages \$28 00, board \$1 85, amount apportioned \$240 00.

DISTRICT No 8.

J. G. Phelps, agent. Miss Flora B. McLuer of this town taught the summer term. When I visited this school it was prospering finely; I was not notified of the close of the term and did not visit it. Length of term 8 weeks, whole number of scholars 26, number registered 17, average 10, wages \$3 00, board \$1 50. Winter term taught by Miss Alice Tibbetts of this town with the best of success. Length of term 13 weeks, number of scholars registered 24, average 19, wages \$3 75, board \$2 00, amount apportioned \$124 00.

## DISTRICT No. 9.

Simeon Dyer, agent. Miss Etta E. Parks of Pittsfield taught the summer term. When I visited this school I found the order good, lessons well learned and a fair prospect of a successful term; not being notified I did not visit it at the close. Length of term 8 weeks, whole number of scholars 28, number registered 13, average 9, wages \$3 00, board 97c. Winter term was also taught by Miss Parks. This was a profitable term; the closing examination showed that the drill was thorough and the progress an average with the winter terms. Length of term 11 weeks, number of scholars registered 19, average 17, wages \$5 50, board \$1 20, amount apportioned \$127 00.

## DISTRICT No. 10.

N. B. Robinson agent. Miss Lillian W. Smith of St. Albans taught the summer term. The drill in this school was thorough and the progress good, but a little sterner discipline would have improved the school. Length of term 10 weeks, whole number of scholars 28, number registered 15, average 11, wages \$3 50, board \$1 50. Winter term taught by Miss Stella E. Smith of this town. This was an orderly school and the improvement an average with the winter terms. Length of term 11 weeks, number of scholars registered 14, average 12, wages \$5 00, board \$1 00, amount apportioned \$127 00.

## DISTRICT No. 11.

A. G. Pollard, agent. Miss Emma Johonnett of this town taught the summer term. This was Miss Johonnett's first attempt at teaching and she labored hard for the interest of the school giving general satisfaction. Length of term 6 weeks, whole number of scholars 15, number registered 8, average 6 1-2, wages \$2 25, board \$1 50. Winter term taught by Miss Flora B. McLuer of this town, with good success. Length of term 10 weeks, number of scholars registered 10, average 10, wages \$4 00, board \$1 60, amount apportioned \$91 41.

## DISTRICT No. 12.

J. S. Spaulding, agent. Miss Annie Millett of this town taught the summer term. This was Miss Millett's first school and she acquitted herself well. This was a good school. Length of term 10 weeks, whole number of scholars 16, number registered 10, average 8, wages \$1 75, board \$1 39. Winter term taught by the same teacher. This school has not closed, but is prospering finely. The order is good and the progress an average with the winter terms.

## DISTRICT No. 13.

Moses Maxfield, agent. The summer term was taught three weeks by Miss Ada E. Sinclair of this town, and five weeks by Miss Winnie Haskell of Pittsfield. On account of sickness I was unable to visit this school until the eighth week, when I found that several of the larger pupils were not present. The examination of those present was below the average of the summer terms. Length of term 8 weeks, whole number of scholars 36, number registered 21, average 15, wages \$3 00, board \$1 00. Fall term taught by Miss M. A. Thomas of this town. This was a profitable term in all that pertains to a good school. Length of term 8 weeks, number of scholars registered 24, average 22, wages \$4 00, board \$1 00. Winter term was also taught by Miss Thomas with equally good success. Length of term 9 weeks, whole number of scholars registered 22, average 20, wages \$5 50, board \$1 00, amount apportioned \$91 11.

## DISTRICT No. 14.

E. H. Thompson, agent. Miss Nellie A. Morse of this town taught the summer term with the best of success. Length of term 10 weeks, whole number of scholars 28, number registered 23, average 21, wages \$3 00, board \$1 35. Winter term taught by Mr. Arthur A. Shaw of Etna. This was Mr. Shaw's first school, yet he kept an orderly school, and the progress was an average

with the winter terms. Length of term 10 weeks, number of scholars registered 25, average 23, wages \$20 00, board \$2 00, amount apportioned \$92 00.

#### DISTRICT No. 15.

G. W. Leavitt, agent. Miss Etta M. Parkman of this town taught the summer term. On account of sickness I was unable to visit this school until the last week. The order was good and the examination showed fair progress and thorough drill. Length of term 6 weeks, whole number of scholars 12, number registered 7, average 6 3-10, wages \$1 75, board \$1 25. Winter term taught by Miss Maggie Batchelder of this town, with good success. Length of term 13 weeks, number registered 10, average 8, wages \$3 50, board \$1 25, amount apportioned \$92 00.

#### Conclusion.

I am happy to say that our schools for the past year have been a success. The agents have been very fortunate in their choice of teachers. and I would suggest that our future agents use much discretion in the selection of teachers for their respective schools and by so doing, save not only much trouble, but also time and money.

Thanking my fellow towns-men for their courtesy and kindness during the past year, and soliciting a continuance of the same, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

B. P. Hanson, Supervisor.