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PITTSFIELD

C. B. HASKELL, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER

1895

# Overseers of the Poor.

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Amount of sales from town farm held in trust by town  
agent.....\$442 76

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## Paupers Belonging to Palmyra.

Paid on account of M. J. Bowman.....\$58 14  
J. Willey..... 27 37  
E. H. Clark..... 64 00  
Mrs. W. Scott Blaisdell... 14 00  
—————\$163 51

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## Paupers Belonging to Other Towns.

Paid on account of W. E. Hussey.....\$10 32  
I. Tuttle..... 7 17  
M. D. Brown..... 15 00  
————— \$32 49

We leased the town farm the past year to F. W. Thompson in consideration of the support of two persons any or all the time during the term of said lease, which expires May 8, 1875, to which we refer your incoming officers for further specifications.

J. P. LONGLEY, } Overseers  
F. L. BROWN, } of Poor,  
T. F. FRENCH, } Palmyra.

# Selectmen and Assessors.

## ASSESSMENTS.

### Valuation of Property 1894.

Amount of real estate.....	\$265,505 00	
Amount of personal estate.....	55,097 00	
		—————\$320,602 00

### Amount of Money Assessed.

Amount raised for schools.....	\$ 805 00	
town charges.....	600 00	
roads and bridges.....	400 00	
public library.....	200 00	
Cowan Hill.....	200 00	
Robber Bog.....	100 00	
school books.....	50 00	
Memorial services.....	15 00	
school houses.....	2,117 00	
State tax.....	848 01	
County tax.....	290 71	
overlayings.....	133 46	
		—————\$5,759 18
Amount rebated.....	\$2,117 00	
Amount committed.....	3,642 18	

Number of polls, 250 ; amount on polls, \$500 ; on estates, \$3,142.18 ; rate per cent, 16.4 mills.

## Paid on Roads and Bridges.

Paid L. Foley, by order of commissioner.....	\$355 53
for repairs, by order of same.....	11 94
M. Dyer, services as commissioner.....	45 00
L. E. Robinson.....	5 00
G. W. Morse.....	3 75
T. F. French, culvert.....	5 00
John Pooler.....	5 54
L. B. Hanson.....	4 00
J. A. Wood.....	6 00
C. F. Gerald.....	3 50
J. Patten.....	8 05
C. M. Jewett.....	8 90
F. W. Thompson.....	5 55
F. M. Marsh.....	10 50
W. A. Blaisdell.....	3 00
J. P. Longley.....	4 50
C. A. Farnham.....	27 12
F. Fernald.....	27 12
J. R. Bennett.....	22 12
Clarence Cook.....	20 25
L. Johonnett.....	13 50
Bert Crosby.....	10 12
F. P. Foster.....	10 12
George Crosby.....	5 62
E. S. Cowan.....	9 00
Hiram Cowan.....	6 75
Heman Cowan.....	7 87
J. Q. Frost.....	17 00
H. G. Johonnett.....	2 25
Fred Davis.....	20 90
E. Q. Frost.....	50
A. Howes.....	95
McMaster Lumber Co.....	6 14
G. A. Appleby.....	7 05
J. R. Leathers.....	2 55

Paid L. W. Frost.....	\$ 7 05
G. W. Hanson.....	14 10
J. B. Chase.....	6 80
F. L. Brown.....	14 50
Perley Hanson.....	4 80
C. Libby.....	3 30
H. Estes, culvert.....	6 50
Warren Hubbard.....	7 05
R. A. Stacy.....	1 00
D. S. Robinson.....	10 00
L. E. Robinson.....	4 00
F. L. Brown.....	1 75
H. McFarland.....	1 50
E. J. Adams.....	1 65
H. B. Allen.....	4 00
J. J. Emery.....	5 50
J. R. Emery.....	5 68
H. Cowan.....	3 35
H. M. Johonnett.....	1 86
T. F. French.....	9 30
J. R. Leathers.....	1 10
P. Furbush.....	6 45
	-----\$823 93

#### Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid C. B. Haskell, printing town reports.....	\$15 00
F. L. Brown, moderator 1894.....	1 50
E. Q. Frost, Memorial services.....	15 00
H. F. Libby, blank books, stationery and stamps.....	10 70
C. H. Folsom, watering tub.....	3 00
E. Q. Frost, election clerk.....	1 50
Chas. Hanson, " ".....	1 50
Howard Estes, " ".....	1 50
N. T. Sinclair, " ".....	1 50
T. N. Drake, damage on highway.....	37 50

Paid H. G. Johonnett, warning meetings.....	\$ 2 00
C. F. Gerald, watering tub.....	3 00
J. P. Longley, time, team and expense to Waterville, pauper case.....	3 50
E. E. McFarland, services with hearse...	7 50
G. W. Hanson, housing road machine....	1 00
Dr King, vaccinating.....	1 00
C. W. Homestead, hearse.....	18 00
R. A. Stacy, postage and blanks.....	7 21
T. F. French, disinfectants.....	1 75
	————\$133 66

Paid on account of public library.....\$168 10

Received from Alfred B. Morrill, a former Palmyra boy, a donation of 22 books, for which we return him our heartfelt thanks. Mr. Morrill is known to us all as a man of high moral and christian character, who without inherited means, without influential friends, worked his way through Bates College, and has long been Principal of Easthampton, Mass., High School.

#### Town Officers' Bills.

Paid J. P. Longley, selectman, etc.....	\$65 00
F. L. Brown, " ".....	35 00
T. F. French, " " \$15; for 1893, \$25.....	40 00
R. A. Stacy, treasurer.....	25 00
R. A. Stacy, clerk.....	10 00
B. P. Hanson, supervisor.....	76 50
H. G. Johonnett, collector.....	54 63
J. P. Longley, town agent.....	5 00
G. W. Hanson, board of health.....	11 50
J. B. Chase, " " ".....	6 94
G. W. Appleby, " " ".....	3 00
	————\$332 57



### Expenditures for School Books and Schools.

Paid on account schools.....	\$1,865 71
“ for school books.....	44 66
	—————\$1,910 37

### Abatements.

Paid P. H. Lang, by vote of town.....	\$24 84
L. Foley, “ “ .....	17 98
G. W. Elliott.....	1 22
R. A. Stacy.....	3 54
Collectors of 1893-94.....	34 93
	—————\$82 51

### Summary of Expenditures.

Paid miscellaneous bills.....	\$ 133 66
town officers bills.....	332 57
paupers belonging to Palmyra.....	163 51
paupers belonging to other towns....	32 49
abatements.....	82 51
for school books.....	44 66
for roads and bridges.....	823 93
for schools.....	1,865 71
on account of library.....	168 10
	—————\$3,647 14
Amount of orders received of Treasurer...	\$3,647 14

### Resources of Town.

Due from H. G. Johonnett.....	\$1,315 43
from W. A. Blaisdell.....	37 67
on non-resident taxes returned.....	280 01
from State, licenses on dogs.....	36 00
from Milford.....	15 00
from Brighton.....	7 17
on tax deed, Shaw & Dow, land.....	5 75
Cash in treasury.....	907 08
	—————\$2,604 11

**Liabilities of Town.**

Due on school fund order.....	\$1,163 33
the schools.....	122 87
Pittsfield on account B. L. McFarland.....	86 53
	\$1,374 73
Balance in favor of town.....	\$1,229 38

We submit the foregoing as a correct statement of the expenditures of the past year, and present financial standing of the town.

J. P. LONGLEY,	}	Selectmen of Palmyra.
F. L. BROWN,		
T. F. FRENCH,		

February 23, 1895.

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Dinner by ladies in upper hall. All are invited.

# Treasurer's Report.

## Receipts.

Cash in treasury Feb. 21, 1894.....\$	652 54
Received from P. H. Lang, collector of 1882.....	24 84
Received from W. A. Blaisdell, collector of 1892.....	9 47
Received from W. A. Blaisdell, collector of 1893. ....	1,445 48
Received from town of Fairfield, on account of Wilmot Hussey....	10 32
Received from town of Brighton, on account of Israel Tuttle.....	27 35
Received from money returned from Me- morial unexpended....	14 00
Received from town of Pittsfield for sup- port of Union school.....	81 50
Received from State for free public library.	15 00
Received from State for rebate on dog tax of 1893.....	50 93
Received from sale of school books.....	11 67
Received from State school fund and mill tax.....	725 98
Received from H. G. Johonnett, collector of 1894.....	2,325 00

Received for licensing dogs in 1894.....	\$ 40 00
Received from non-resident tax of 1893, collected.....	286 86
Received from Road Commissioner, over- drawn.....	10 00
Received from highway money.....	2 00
	—————\$5732 94

**Expenditures.**

Paid State tax in full for 1894 .....	\$ 848 01
County tax in full for 1894.....	290 71
Amount returned to State for dogs licensed in 1894.....	40 00
Paid town orders returned to Selectmen and cancelled.....	3,647 14
Cash in treasury Feb. 23, 1895.....	907 08
	—————\$5732 94

R. A. STACY, Treasurer.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD,

For School Year Ending April 1, 1895.

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Amount of money raised by town.....	\$ 805 00
State school fund and mill tax.....	725 98
Interest on town school fund.....	69 80
Amount unexpended from last year.....	142 37
Amount received from town of Pittsfield for South Union school.....	81 50
Total.....	<u>\$1,824 65</u>
Amount expended.....	<u>\$1,643 66</u>
Amount unexpended.....	\$ 180 99

Whole number of scholars in town, 291; number of male teachers employed the past year, 3; number of female teachers employed the past year, 13; number of terms taught in town during the past year, 27.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

Summer term taught by Miss Myra E. Pray, of this town. This was Miss Pray's first attempt at teaching. The pupils made fair progress in the branches taught. Sterner discipline would have improved the school. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils registered, 7; average, 5 3-4; wages, \$4.00 per week.

Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 8; average, 7 2-15; wages, \$4.00. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 10; average, 7 41-45; wages, \$4.00. Both terms taught by Miss Frances H. Robinson, of this town. This was Miss Robinson's first school, yet she maintained ex-

cellent order. The examination showed good progress and thorough work. Amount paid for wages during year, \$108; for wood, \$8.80; for building fires, \$2.55.

#### DISTRICT No. 3.

Summer term taught by Miss Alice E. Homstead, of Palmyra. The closing examination showed good progress and thorough work. Length of term, 9 weeks; number registered, 15; average, 13; wages, \$5.00.

Fall term taught by Mr. B. P. Hanson, of this town. This school was considerably broken up on account of sickness, yet the pupils made fair progress. Length of term, 11 weeks; number registered, 14; average, 9; wages, \$6.00. Amount paid for wages, \$111; for building fires, \$1.65.

Winter term was changed to No. 1, and placed under the instruction of Mr. Eber L. Cook, of Troy. Mr. Cook is a teacher of experience, interested in his work. This was a profitable term. Length of term, 9 weeks; number registered, 7; average, 6.5; wages, \$6.00 per week. Amount paid for wages, \$54; for wood, \$10; building fires, \$2.25.

#### DISTRICT No. 4.

Summer term taught by Miss Agnes M. Maddocks, of Palmyra. This was a quiet, orderly school, and the examination proved that it had been a successful one. Length of term, 9 weeks; number registered, 23; average, 20 2-3; wages, \$5.50.

Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 25; average, 22 34-45; wages, \$8.50. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 38; average, 32.9; wages, \$8.50. Both terms taught by Mr. George H. Young, of St. Albans. These were successful terms. Amount paid for wages, \$202.50; for wood, \$9.00; for building fires, \$3.00; for conveyance, \$11. Summer term taught by Miss Lula G. Millett, of Palmyra. This was a good school. Length of term, 9 weeks; number registered, 12; average, 9; wages, \$5.00.

Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 12; average, 8.6; wages, \$6.50. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 19; average, 14; wages, \$6.50. Both terms taught by Miss Grace E. Libby, of Detroit. These were profitable terms. Amount paid for wages, \$162; for wood, \$11; for building fires, \$2.70; for conveyance, \$18.

## DISTRICT No. 7.

Summer term taught by Miss Augusta M. Lord, of Detroit, with her usual good success. Length of term, 9 weeks; number registered, 42; average, 35; wages, \$6.50.

Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 32; average, 21 4-9; wages, \$8. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 28; average, 23 29-45; wages, \$8. Both terms taught by Miss Alice E. Libby, of Detroit. The fall term was closed two weeks on account of sickness, but Miss Libby labored hard for the interest of the school, and made it a success. During the third week of the winter term the School Board were notified to investigate a case of insubordination in the school. We met with quite a number of the parents, who assisted in a thorough investigation, which resulted in the removal of one of the boys from the school. We heard of no more trouble. The closing examination showed good progress and thorough work. Amount paid for wages, \$202.50; paid for wood, \$10.75; for building fires, \$2.25.

## DISTRICT No. 9.

Length of summer term, 9 weeks; number registered, 34; average, 29.3; wages, \$6.00. Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 28; average, 24; wages, \$6.50. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 34; average, 29; wages, \$6.50. The three terms taught by Miss Bertha B. Feller, of this town, with her usual good results. Amount paid for wages, \$171; wood, \$7.50; building fires, \$2.16; conveyance, \$22.

## DISTRICT No. 11.

Summer term taught by Miss Clara B. Adams, of Palmyra. Miss Adams worked faithfully for the success of the school, and gave general satisfaction. Length of term, 9 weeks; number registered, 7; average, 6.5; wages, \$4.25. Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 6; average, 4 3-4; wages, \$4. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 6; average, 4 3-4; wages, \$4. Both terms taught by Miss Bertha A. Gashien, of this town. This was Miss Gashien's first attempt at teaching. The examination of those present, at the close, showed that these had been profitable terms. Amount paid for wages, \$110.25; for wood, \$11.25; for building fires, \$2.55; for conveyance, \$4.

## DISTRICT No. 13.

Length of summer term, 9 weeks; number registered, 17; average, 15.4; wages, \$5. Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 19; average, 16.3; wages, \$5. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, —; average, —; wages, \$5. The three terms taught by Miss Alice B. Collamore, of Palmyra, giving general satisfaction. Amount paid for wages, \$13.5; for wood, \$7.50; for building fires, \$2.25.

## DISTRICT No. 15.

Length of summer term, 9 weeks; number registered, 19; average, 18; wages, \$5.25. Length of fall term, 9 weeks; number registered, 18; average, 16 7-18; wages, \$6. Length of winter term, 9 weeks; number registered, 18; average, 16 2-3; wages, \$6. These three terms taught by Miss Cora M. Pennell, of Palmyra. Miss Pennell labored earnestly for the good of the school. These were profitable terms. Amount paid for wages, \$155.25; for wood, \$11; for building fires, \$3; for conveyance, \$41.

Amount paid the town of Detroit for tuition of pupils attending school in that town, \$21.

Amount paid C. C. Stuart for tuition of his scholar, attending school in Newport part of year, \$4.

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**School Book Account for the Year.**

Paid American Book Co . . . . .	\$ 9 12
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn . . . . .	12 48
D. C. Heath & Co. . . . .	11 30
Llewellyn Barton . . . . .	5 40
Express and postage on books . . . . .	1 36
	-----\$39 66
Received for books sold . . . . .	\$11 67
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Total cost of books for year . . . . .	\$27 99

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In closing the report we are happy to say that our schools during the past year have enjoyed a good degree of prosperity. Some of them have been much improved by bringing a larger



number of scholars together, which has served to awaken an interest in the pupils; therefore they have done more and better work.

To bring the question of uniting some of our schools before the town, where it should lawfully come, we make the following recommendations: First, That what was No.'s 9, 14, and that part of No. 8, west of Judkins' Corner, so-called, be united and suitable school buildings erected somewhere near the Ell Corner.

Second, That the part of No. 8 south of the above named corner be annexed to No. 11, and the part north of the same corner be annexed to No. 4.

Third, That what was Nos. 5 and 15 be united, and a lot purchased in or near the centre; also suitable school buildings placed thereon.

Fourth, That what was No. 10 be suspended, and the pupils provided for in other schools for the present.

Fifth, That what was No. 12 be united with other schools as follows: The part west of the corner near which the school-house now stands, with No. 11, and the part south with No. 2; also the part north with No. 4.

Sixth, That what was Nos. 1 and 3 be united, and one of the houses moved to or near the centre.

We respectfully submit the foregoing report and recommendations.

B. P. HANSON,	}	School Board of Palmyra.
W. D. MITCHELL,		
A. H. FELKER,		
B. W. LENFEST,		
R. A. STACY,		