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~ OF THE ~

~ MUNICIPAL OFFICERS ~

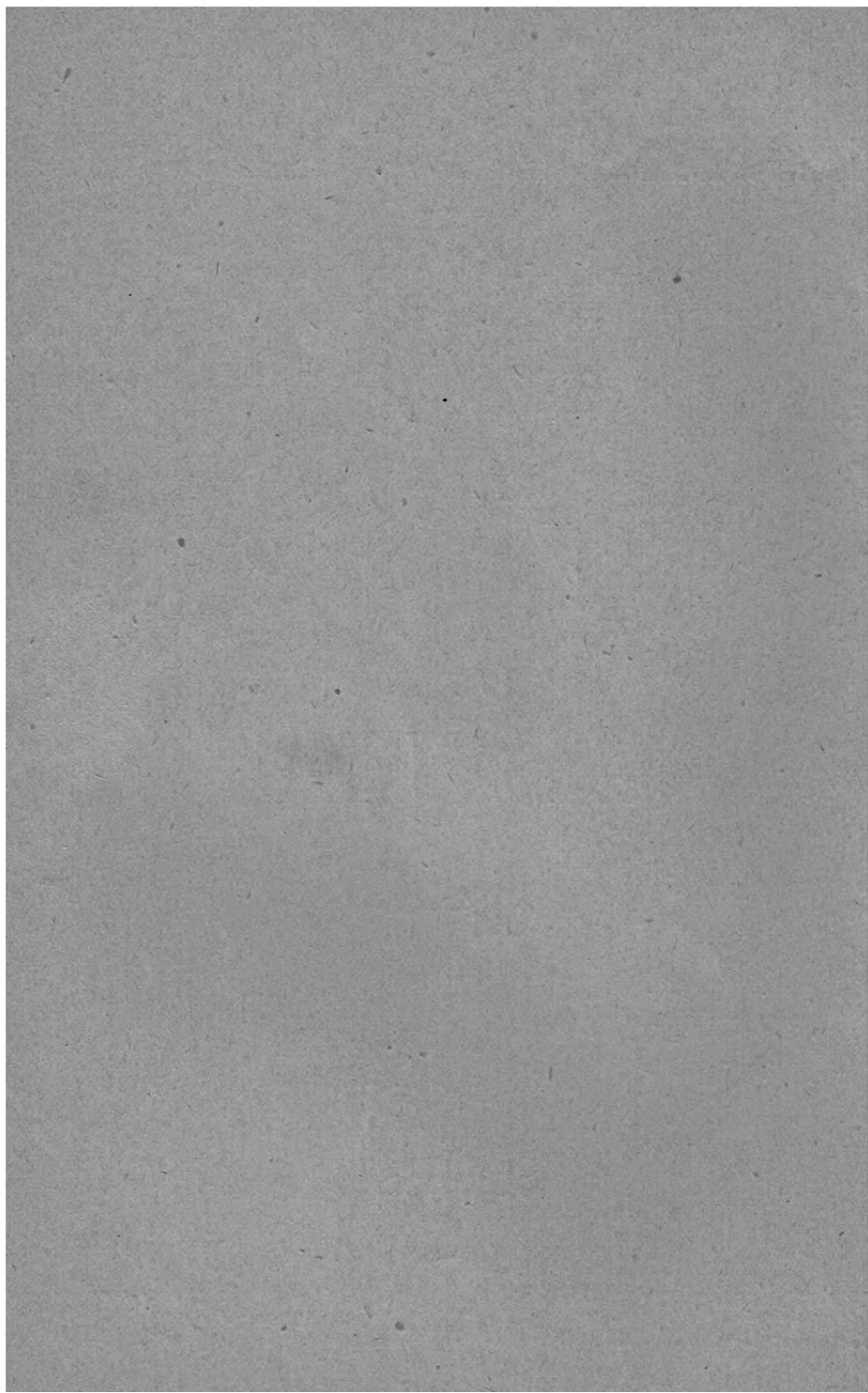
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TOWN of PALMYRA,

1895-96.

PITTSFIELD

C. B. HASKELL, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER

1896

Town Warrant.

To H. G. Johonnett, a constable in the town of Palmyra, in the County of Somerset, Greeting :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Palmyra, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Town House in said town, on the 2nd day of March at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose Town Clerk and all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ART. 3. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of schools for the year ensuing.

ART. 4. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to defray town charges for the year ensuing.

ART. 5. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of roads and bridges, and determine what manner it may be expended for the year ensuing.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for fuel and repairs for the several school houses in town for the year ensuing.

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to continue the road across Hanson flat and how expended for the year ensuing.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to continue the road across Parkman flat, and how expended for the year ensuing.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to repair town farm buildings for the year ensuing.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to erect guide boards in town, and determine what kind.

ART. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for Memorial services for the year ensuing.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to repair Towle Hill, so called, for the year ensuing.

ART. 13. To see what action the town will take in regard to the damages claimed by Dr. Foss of Dexter, by his horse stepping into a hole in a culvert and throwing said horse or horses.

ART. 14. To see what action the town will take in regard to the unoccupied school houses in town.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to accept the two new school-houses built by the building committee.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the town library for the year ensuing.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended on the Shy road for the year ensuing.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to sell J. A. Goodrich and R. H. Goodrich each a double lot in the burying ground at Mount Pleasant. And also Lincoln Merritt a lot in said burying ground.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended on the Pratt Hill, so called.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to repair the fence around Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to buy text books for the year ensuing.

ART. 22. To see if the town will unite what was Dist. Nos. 5 and 15, that part of what was Dist. No. 16, extending from the southeast boundary of what was Dist. No. 5 to Newport line.

ART. 23. To see if the town will unite to what was Dist. No. 3, that part of what was Dist. No. 16, extending from W. H. Miles to what was Dist. No. 3.

J. E. COOK,	} School Board	
W. D. MITCHELL,		
B. P. HANSON,		of
EBER COOK,		
B. W. LENFEST,	} Palmyra.	

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town House in said town at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

(Given under our hands this 20th day of Feb., A. D. 1896.

F. L. BROWN,	} Selectmen	
T. F. FRENCH,		of
C. R. MCCRILLIS,		Palmyra.

Overseers of the Poor.

Paupers Belonging to Palmyra.

Paid on account of J. Willey,	\$42 70
B. L. McFarland, 1894-95.	86 53
“ “ “ 1895-96.	50 00
Mrs. Lizzie Debay.	1 00
	————— \$180 23

Paupers Belonging to Other Towns.

Paid on account of Ruel York.	\$97 39
L. D. Green.	15 90
I. Tuttle.	58 93
J. M. Philbrick.	2 90
	————— \$175 12

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, 1896, to which we refer your incoming officers for further specifications.

F. L. BROWN, } Overseers
T. F. FRENCH, } of Poor
C. R. McCRILLIS, } Palmyra,

Selectmen and Assessors.

ASSESSMENTS.

Valuation of Property 1895.

Amount of real estate.....	\$267,805 00
Amount of personal estate.....	52,467 00
	-----\$320,272 00

Amount of Money Assessed.

Amount raised for town charges.....	\$800 00
school house.....	600 00
roads and bridges.....	600 00
Robber's Bog.....	100 00
Parkman Flat.....	100 00
Spring Hill Cemetery.....	100 00
repairing cemeteries.....	50 00
ledge back of T. F. French's	25 00
Memorial services... ..	25 00
State tax.....	868 16
County tax.....	306 14
Overlayings.....	130 42
Supplemental.....	4 00

Amount committed.....	\$3,708 72

Number of polls, 251 ; amount on polls, \$502 ; on estates, \$3,202.72 ; rate per cent, 10 mills on a dollar.

Amount of Money Appropriated.

Amount appropriated for schools.	\$805 00
Amount appropriated to build a new school house at or near the centre of districts No. 5 and 15	442 76
	— — \$1,247 76

Paid Cash on Roads and Bridges.

Paid L. Foley, by order of road commissioner. . .	\$231 00
R. W. Parkman	15 00
Fred Flanders	5 00
Aaron Berry	5 00
I. L. Nason	5 00
S. D. Parkman	10 00
Warren Hubbard	9 50
Henry Hubbard	4 00
J. W. Hubbard	4 00
Freeman Fernald	18 00
Perley Hanson	4 00
E. C. Leavitt	4 60
L. G. Hanson	5 85
C. A. Farnham	9 00
G. W. Hanson	14 50
G. W. Thomas	3 75
C. A. Leavitt	14 15
E. E. Parkman	15 00
A. C. Parkman	12 00
S. A. Parkman	12 00
McMaster & Co. for lumber	33 28
C. A. Cook	47 75
F. W. Dyer, for culvert, order of R. C.	30 00
T. F. French, ledge job	39 25
Geo. F. Tyler & Co. for R. M. blade	8 00
E. D. McFarland, culvert, order of R. C.	5 00

Paid W. A. Blaisdell	\$ 2 10
J. R. Bennett, Madawaska bridge job.....	50 20
J. P. Longley.....	1 25
P. Furbush.....	8 25
E. E. McFarland.....	13 00
L. B. Hanson, culvert.....	10 75
C. L. Hubbard, culvert.....	4 00
Joseph Patten.....	1 87
F. L. Brown, road jobs.....	22 75
Nathan Cole.....	1 25
Henry McFarland.....	10 32
C. R. McCrillis.....	7 00
M. Dyer, Road Commissioner.....	47 00
M. Dyer, repairs on R. M.....	4 00
J. A. Goodrich.....	3 75
S. S. Goodrich.....	2 00
Howard Estes.....	1 00
	————\$725 12

Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid C. B. Haskell, printing town reports.....	\$16 00
F. L. Brown, Moderator, 1895	1 50
E. Q. Frost, Memorial services.....	25 00
C. H. Folsom, watering tub.....	3 00
C. H. Folsom, Moderator special meeting.	1 50
F. L. Brown, time, team and expenses to Skowhegan, before State Assessors.....	3 50
H. C. Webber for his services as appraiser at town farm, 1891.....	2 00
S. M. Davis, by vote of town for arresting tramp, 1891.....	12 32
W. A. Blaisdell, warning town meeting for 1893.....	1 00
D. M. Parks for insuring town farm build- ings.....	20 00

Paid O. L. Soule for wood	\$ 4 00
W. D. Mitchell for services as appraiser of town farm property, 1891.....	1 50
C. A. Cook for shingling Madawaska school house	13 10
S. B. Millett for building fence around Spring Hill Cemetery.....	75 00
Henry Shaw for work in Spring Hill Cem- etry	6 50
Wm. E. Lord for work in Warren Hill Cemetery.....	4 62
W. D. Mitchell, building committee.....	11 25
Benton W. Lenfest "	12 00
B. P. Hanson, building "	4 50
J. E. Cook, building "	4 50
R. A. Stacy, building "	4 50
J. F. Harvey, work in Vil. Cemetery.....	7 63
C. F. Gerald, watering tub.....	3 00
F. J. Taylor, M. D., certificates of births and deaths.....	1 75
S. P. Dexter for school house lot.....	10 00
C. D. Bowman for building two new school houses.....	1,025 00
for blank books, stationery and stamps..	9 55
E. A. Bean, M. D., certificates of births and deaths, 1894.....	1 25
H. A. King, M. D., certificate of deaths, 1894-95	1 50
for legal advice.....	3 00
C. W. Homstead, services with hearse...	21 00
H. G. Jonhnett, warning meetings.....	2 00
G. W. Varney, outstanding bill, 1893....	4 15
L. W. Frost, care of Town House.....	4 00
R. A. Stacy, postage.....	2 76
R. A. Stacy, deaths and births.....	3 38
F. J. Taylor, M. D., certificates of births of 1894.....	1 00
	-----\$1,328 26

Library Report.

Amount of money raised by vote of town to be expended for Public library for the year 1894.....	\$200 00
Amount expended for 1894.....	168 10
Amount expended for 1895.....	43 86
	\$211 96

Received from the State librarian 98 volumes, it being 50 per cent. of amount of money expended for same.

The trustees and librarian of Palmyra town library submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 20, 1896: The whole number of books in the library is 412, classified as follows: agricultural and horticultural, 13; biographical, 8; fiction, 158; historical, 11; juvenile, 13; theological, 20; travel and adventure, 12; miscellaneous, 15; temperance, 4; public documents, 121; Maine reports, 37. Present number of patrons, 55. Number of books taken during the year, 500. Largest number by any one person, 50. There have been added to the library — volumes: number from State, 98; number presented by friends of library, 8.

The interest in the library has been well kept up and the books have been well cared for during the year.

J. P. LONGLEY, MRS. S. MILLETT, C. A. LEAVITT,	}	Trustees.
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Miss L. G. Frost, Librarian.

Town Officers' Bills.

Paid F. L. Brown, selectman, etc.....	\$60 00
T. F. French, “ “	38 50
C. R. McCrillis, “ “	33 75
R. A. Stacy, treasurer.....	25 00
R. A. Stacy, clerk.....	10 00

Paid J. E. Cook, supervisor	\$77 50
H. G. Johonnett, collector	55 74
F. L. Brown, town agent	5 00
G. W. Hanson, board of health	3 00
J. B. Chase, " " "	3 00
G. W. Appleby, " " "	3 00
	—————\$314 49

Expenditures for School Books and Schools.

Paid on account schools	\$1,807 25
Paid for school books	24 08

Abatements.

Paid collectors of 1893-94	\$38 06
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Summary of Expenditures.

Paid miscellaneous bills	\$1,328 26
town officers' bills	314 49
paupers belonging to Palmyra	180 23
paupers belonging to other towns	175 12
abatements	38 06
for schools	1,807 25
for school books	24 08
on roads and bridges	725 12
on account of library	43 86
	—————\$4,636 47
Amount of orders received of Treasurer	\$4,636 47

Resources of Town.

Due from H. G. Johonnett, collector 1895...	\$1,180 00
from H. G. Johonnett, collector 1894...	21 15
on non-resident taxes returned.....	218 05
from Pittsfield, South Union school.....	77 54
from State on account of I. Tuttle.....	58 93
from State, licenses on dogs '94-95.....	70 00
from Newburgh on acct. of J. M. Phil- brick	2 90
on tax deed, Shaw & Dow land.....	7 41
from schools.....	66 58
Cash in treasury.....	98 15
	<hr/> \$1,800 71

Liabilities of Town.

Due on school fund order.....	\$1,163 33
Alice Collamore.....	60 00
	<hr/> \$1,223 33
Balance in favor of town.....	\$577 38

Unsettled bill of the County Commissioners caused by Cyrena Marsh and others, of a location of a school house on her land, by the building committee:

Commissioners' bill.....	\$77 90
Commissioners' award L. Belle Maines, damages for a re-location.....	50 00
	<hr/> \$127 90

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

F. L. BROWN,	} Selectmen of Palmyra.
T. F. FRENCH,	
C. R. McCRILLIS.	

PALMYRA, Feb. 20, 1896.

Dinner by ladies in upper hall. All are invited.

Treasurer's Report.

Receipts.

Feb. 23, 1895, Cash in treasury.....	\$ 907 08
Received from Milford on account of M. D. Brown.....	15 00
Received from Brighton on account of I. Tuttle.....	7 17
Received from Monson on account of L. Green.....	15 90
Received from Fairfield on account of R. York.....	97 39
Received from J. P. Longley by money held in trust.....	442 76
Received from sale from town farm.....	1 00
Received from S. B. Millett, cemetery fence..	5 00
Received from dogs licensed.....	37 00
Received from highway money returned.....	88
Received from W. A. Blaisdell, collector of 1893.....	25 57
Received from H. G. Johonnett, collector of 1894.....	1,296 00
Received from H. G. Johonnett, collector of 1895.....	2,310 67
Received from state school fund and mill tax	743 00
Received from rent of town hall.....	8 00
Received from lumber sold from town farm..	2 00
Received from sale Ell school house	25 00
Received from state for public library.....	6 50
	\$5,945 92

Expenditures.

Paid State tax of 1895 in full.....	\$ 868 16	
Paid County tax of 1895 in full.....	306 14	
Returned to State for dogs licensed	37 00	
Paid on town orders returned to selectmen and cancelled.....	4,636 47	
Cash in treasury.....	98 15	
		—————\$5,945 92

R. A. STACY, Treasurer.

Report of Supervisor of Schools,

For Year Ending March 1st, 1896.

Teacher.	No. of Dist.	No. of scholars attending school.	Average No. of scholars.	Wages of teachers per week, including board.	No. of schools taught before.	Length of school in wks.	Cost of wood for the year.
SPRING TERM.							
Mellie Robertson,	1	7	6	\$5 00	2	9	\$ 8 00
Francis Robinson,	2	9	8.45	4 00	2	9	11 00
Etta Bagley,	3	7	6	4 00	None	9	7 62
Agnes Maddocks,	4	20	15.3	6 00	3	9	10 50
Belle Maines,	5	x	x	5 50	x	9	8 50
Bertha Felker,	6	9	7.6	5 50	11	9	10 00
Benton Lenfest,	7	40	29	6 50	1	9	9 00
Alice Miller,	9	28	25	6 00	15	9	10 00
Lottie Steadman,	10	9	8	4 50	10	9	5 25
Susie Nichols,	11	6	5	4 50	1	9	8 00
Alice Collamore,	13	15	11.3	4 50	6	9	8 00

FALL TERM.

Grace Cook,	1	8	7	\$5 50	2	8
Alice Miller,	2	6	5	6 00	16	8
Sarah Brackett,	3	9	7	5 00	35	8
Agnes Maddocks,	4	29	22.5	6 50	4	8
Belle Maines,	5	x	x	6 00	x	8
Lula Millett,	6	8	7.5	5 00	4	8
E. L. Cook,	7	40	30	8 00	31	8
Benton Lenfest,	9	33	21.5	7 25	2	8
Alice Homstead,	10	10	8.35	5 00	3	8
Francis Robinson,	11	7	6.7	4 50	3	8
Alice Collamore,	13	15	12.25	5 00	7	8

WINTER TERM.

Grace Cook,	1	9	8.6	\$6 00	3	10
Francis Robinson,	2	14	13.3	5 00	4	10
Isabel Farnham,	3	9	7	5 00	4	10
Agnes Maddocks,	4	24	20	6 60	5	10
Belle Maines,	5	x	x	6 00	x	10
Helen Maines.	6	9	8.2	6 50	5	10
E. L. Cook,	7	36	28	9 00	32	10
Ivan Felker,	9	27	24	7 00	None	10
Lula Millett,	10	9	8.4	6 00	5	10
Bertha Gatien,	11	6	5	4 50	2	10
Alice Collamore,	13	17	15.5	5 50	8	10

Amount of money raised by town.....	\$805 00
State school fund and mill tax.....	743 00
Interest on town school fund.....	69 80
Amount unexpended from B. P. Hanson's acct. last year.....	180 99
Amount due from Pittsfield for South Union school.....	77 54
	-----\$1,876 33

Amount paid teachers	\$1,685 00
Amount paid for wood	95 87
Amount paid for building fires, chalk, etc.	44 61
Amount paid for convèying scholars to Hart- land last year	6 00
Amount paid for wood on hand now	12 00
	<hr/> \$1,843 48
Amount unexpended	<hr/> \$32 85

Book Account.

Bought of Werner Book Co., books	\$ 1 20
Bought of American Book Co., books	12 48
Bought of Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, books	9 90
Bought of Ginn & Co., writing books	10 40
Express on books	1 95
	<hr/> \$35 93
Amount unexpended last year	22 01
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Amount overdrawn	\$13 92

The above is a correct synopsis of the schools the past year ; also an accurate account of appropriations and expenditures of money for school purposes.

In conclusion I will say that the schools with a very few exceptions have been profitable and the money well expended.

J. E. COOK, Supervisor of Schools.

Recommendations by School Board.

First. The School Board recommend that the town raise a sum of money to buy text books for the ensuing year.

Second. That the town raise a sum of money for repairs on school property.

Third. That the town unite to what was Dist. Nos. 5 and 15, that part of what was Dist. No. 16, extending from the south east boundary of what was Dist. No. 5 to the Newport line.

Fourth. That the town unite to Dist. No. 3, that part of what was Dist. No. 16, extending from Wilbur Miles' to said Dist. No. 3.

W. D. MITCHELL, } School
B. P. HANSON, | Board
E. L. COOK,
B. W. LENFEST,
J. E. COOK.

