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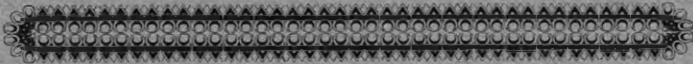
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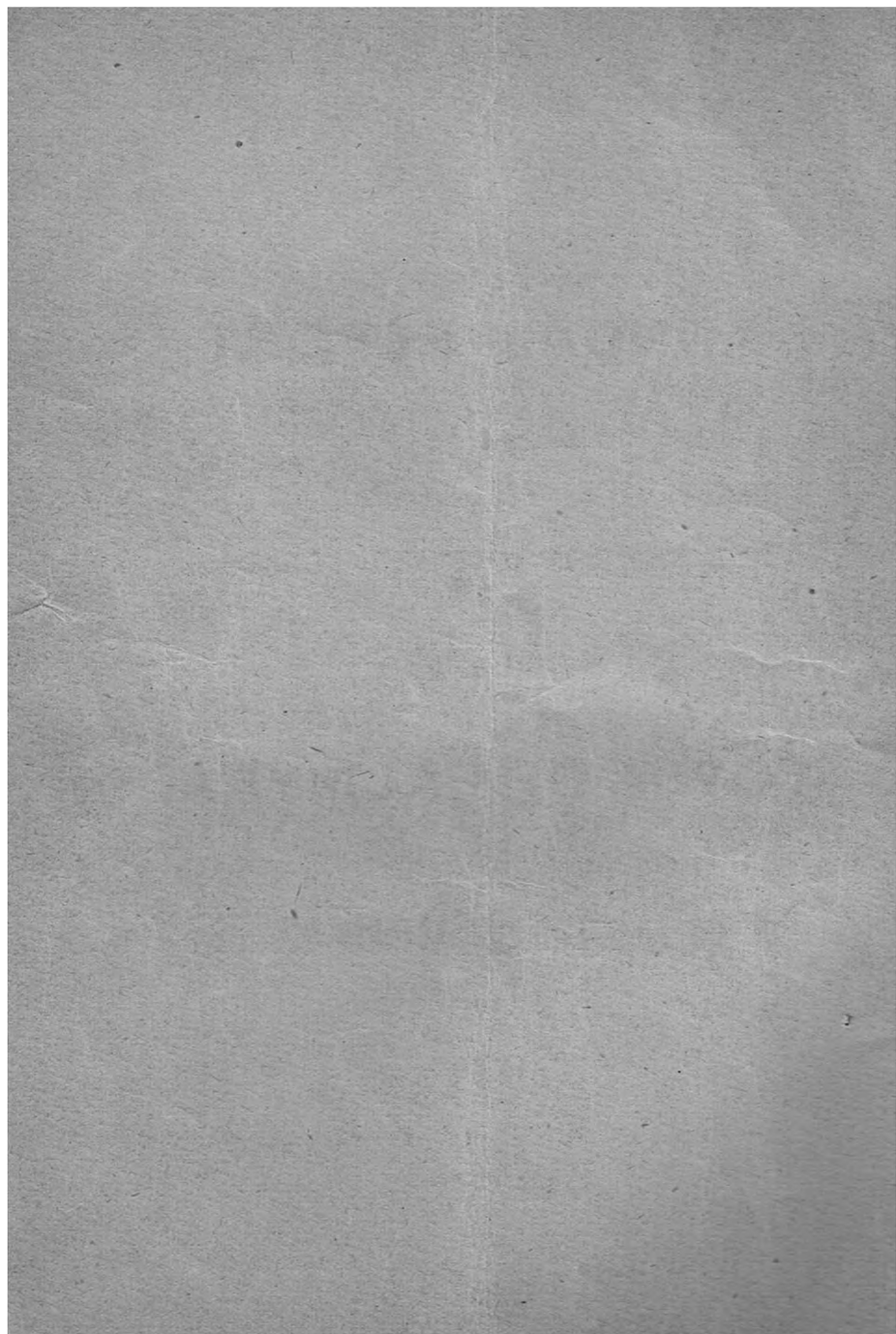
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**TOWN OF PALMYRA,**  
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Dinner will be served by the ladies, in upper hall.



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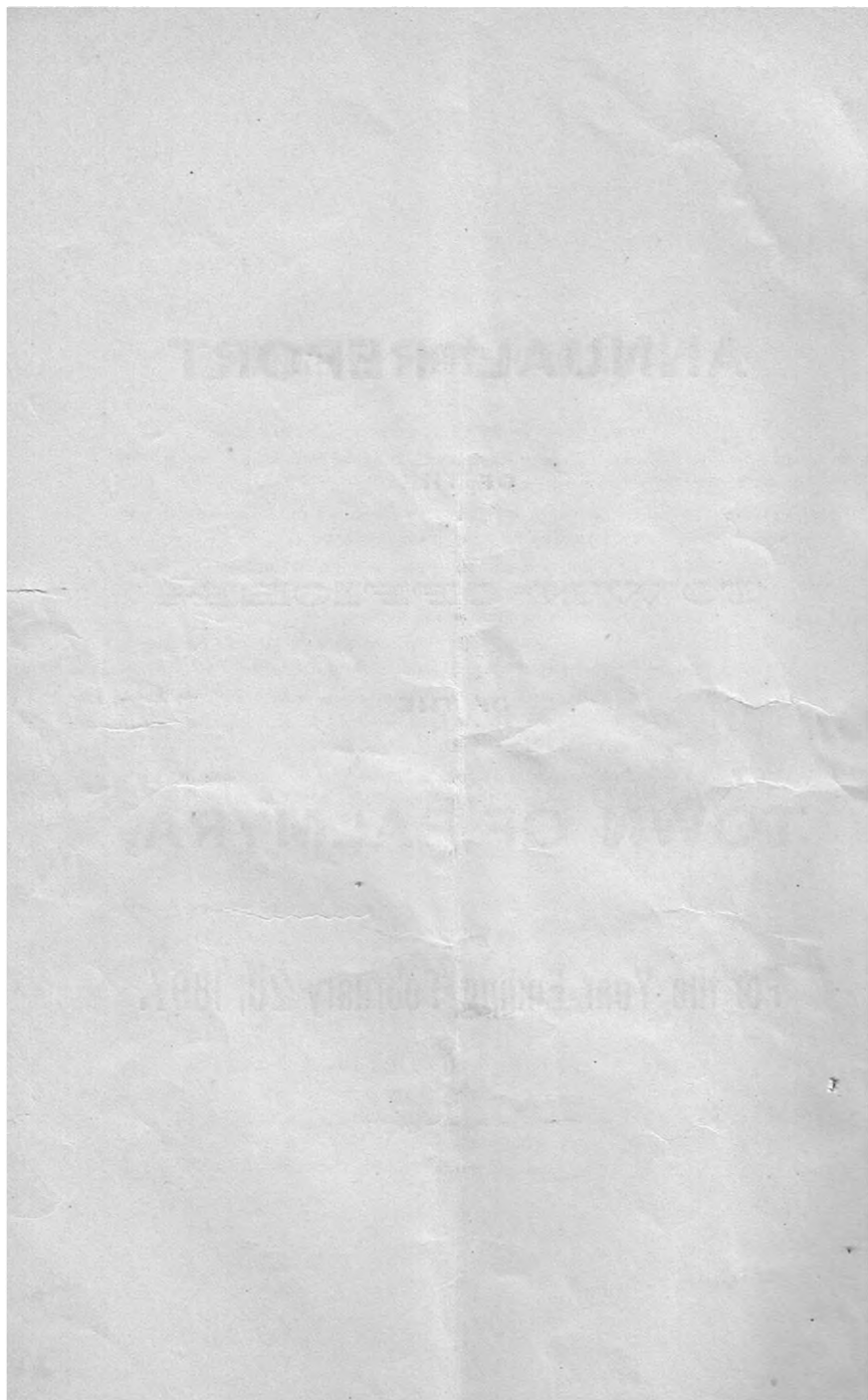
**TOWN OFFICERS**

OF THE

**TOWN OF PALMYRA,**

**For the Year Ending February 20, 1897.**





## Articles in Town Warrant.

- ART. 1—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- ART. 2—To choose a Town Clerk and all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
- ART. 3—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to defray town charges for the year ensuing.
- ART. 4—To see if the town will raise a sum of money to repair roads and bridges for the ensuing year, and determine the manner in which it shall be expended.
- ART. 5—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to continue the road across Hanson flat, so called.
- ART. 6—To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$200.00 to be expended on the Towle Hill, so called, and appoint some person to expend the same.
- ART. 7—To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$50.00 to be expended on the road leading to C. L. Hubbards.
- ART. 8—To see if the town will vote to pay David L. Raymond for stone culvert constructed by him, and not accepted by the Selectmen.
- ART. 9—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the support of schools for the ensuing year.
- ART. 10—To see what sum of money the town will raise for repairs on school houses.
- ART. 11—To see if the town will raise a sum of money for cleaning school houses.
- ART. 12—To see if the town will raise a sum of money for Free High Schools. By request.
- ART. 13—To see if the town will authorize the school board to convey the scholars from what was the North Union District, to the Ell school house, and raise a sum of money for the same. By request of E. L. Cook.

- ART. 14—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair the Town Farm buildings.
- ART. 15—To see if the town will vote to sell at auction on the day of said meeting, any of the unoccupied school houses in town.
- ART. 16.—To see if the town will vote to pay Harry I. Allen any sum of money for damages to his horse caused by breaking through a culvert.
- ART. 17—To see if the town will vote to raise \$50.00 for books for Free Public Library.
- ART. 18—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for Memorial Services.
- ART. 19—To see if the town will vote to abate the tax now due from Walter C. Pratt, and exempt him from further taxation.
- ART. 20—To see if the town will take any action to settle the bill of \$77.90 caused by the County Commissioners on Cyrena Marsh school house petition in 1895.
- ART. 21—To see if the town will vote to pay Chas. Hanson a sum of money for rails used by Asa Stuart.
- ART. 22—To see if the town will vote to reduce the valuation of J. C. Millett's real estate \$75.00 and abate the tax of 1896 on the same amount.
- ART. 23—To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the town officers.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town House in said town at 9 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 19th day of February, A. D., 1897.

R. A. STACY.	} Selectmen of Palmyra.
C. W. HOMSTEAD.	
L. JOHONNETT.	

# Selectmen's Report.

## Valuation of Town for the Year of 1896.

Real Estate,	\$267,320.00
Personal Estate,	51,730.00
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	\$319,050 00
Rate \$11.70 per \$1000,	3732.88
254 polls at \$2.00 each,	508.00
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	4240 88

## Assessments for 1896.

For town charges,	\$800.00
roads and bridges,	800.00
schools,	805.00
school books,	300.00
repairs on school houses,	150.00
public library,	50.00
cemetery fence,	50.00
memorial services,	35.00
State tax,	781.60
County tax,	306.14
overlaying,	163.14
supplemental tax,	2.00
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amount committed to H. G. Johonnett,	\$4242.88
* Amount of money appropriated,	\$100.00



## Support of Poor of Palmyra.

Paid on account of Asa Stuart	\$14 86	
Wm. B. Morrison	38 09	
B. L. McFarland	30 50	
Mrs. Debay	4 25	
Park Rowe	25 00	
		————— \$112 70

The Town Farm was leased to F. W. Thompson until May 8, 1897, in consideration of the support of two persons.

## Support of the Poor of other Towns.

Paid on account of Israel Tuttle	\$31 57	
E. H. Clark	40 42	
		————— \$71 99

## Care of Insane.

Paid on account of Wm. E. Lord	\$17 20
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## Repairs on School Houses.

Amount raised by town,		\$150 00
Expended,	\$152 99	
Outstanding for repairs of 1895	8 00	
Overdrawn,		10 99
	\$160 99	\$160 99

## Paid on Roads and Bridges

Amount raised by town		\$800 00
Paid Howard Estes, labor with road Machine	\$362 50	
repairs on road machine	5 01	
R. W. Parkman, 17 rods stone road	77 00	
Perry Furbush, lumber for upper Seabastcook bridge	65 85	
John Wood, 3 stone culverts	24 00	
N. A. Davis, stone culvert	15 00	
Smith & Dexter, plank	13 88	
B. H. Elkins, culvert	10 00	
Judkins & Murch, drain pipe	6 24	
Joseph Patten	7 50	

Paid A. M. Bartlett	5 40	
W. E. Lord	2 70	
Lamont Robinson, bill of 1895	5 00	
Geo. Brooks " "	4 00	
Howard Estes. " "	1 00	
H. B. Allen,	4 10	
Joseph Emery,	4 48	
L. Johonnett,	3 00	
Israel Tuttle,	1 50	
J. R. Bennett,	1 50	
T. Nichols,	4 75	
Seavey Nichols,	2 50	
E. Lattey,	3 58	
L. Johonnett, culverts	18 65	
Howard Estes, labor with team	9 75	
E. E. Parkman,	1 00	
J. L. Morton,	50	
M. Dyer, road machine blade	8 00	
C. R. McCrillis,	2 00	
Freight on road machine blade	69	
Expended	671 08	
Unexpended	128 92	
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	\$800 00	\$800 00

### Schools.

Amount raised by town,	\$805 00	
" unexpended in 1895	32 85	
Interest on town school fund	69 80	
State school fund and mill tax	688 86	
amount received from Pittsfield for support of Union school	68 63	
Total amount of school money	<hr/>	\$1665 14
Expended	\$1625 02	
Unexpended	40 12	
	<hr/>	\$1665 14
		\$1665 14

## School Books.

Amount raised by town		\$300 00
Expended	\$146 95	
due Ginn & Co.,	211 03	
Overdrawn		\$57 98
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	\$357 98	\$357 98

## Public Library.

Amount raised		\$50 00
Expended	\$6 59	
Unexpended	43 41	
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	\$50 00	\$50 00

## Memorial Services.

Amount raised by town		\$35 00
Expended		\$35 00

## Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid Alice Collamore, outstanding bill 1895	55 00
F. L. Brown, services as moderator 1895	1 50
Merrill & Gower, council on school house bill of 1895	5 00
Amount paid out in law suit with Susan H. Nichols,	145 36
C. H. Folsom, watering tub	3 00
Henry Shaw, for labor on Spring Hill cemetery	4 00
L. W. Frost, wood for town house	3 25
C. B. Haskell, printing town reports of 1895	18 00
C. W. Homstead, services with hearse	30 00
F. W. Thompson, care of tramps	3 25
R. A. Stacy, amount voted back by town on account of error	27 57
Election clerks	12 00
Cyrena Marsh, school house lot	50 00
L. Johonnett, fence for Ell school house	9 50
Frank Gerald, watering tub	3 00
G. W. Hanson, wood for school, bill of 1895	6 00

Outstanding book bill of 1895	10 40
Blank books and stationery	9 26
R. A. Stacy, recording births and deaths	3 20
H. G. Johonnett, warning 3 town meetings	3 00
C. A. Cook, repairs on Marsh school house	1 00
L. H. Blanchard, reporting births and deaths	1 00
	<hr/> 404 29

### Abatements.

H. G. Johonnett, collector	42 51
Wm. Morrison, vote of town	7 75
D. S. Robinson, poll tax	2 00
Treasurer, non-resident tax	2 80
	<hr/> \$55 06

### Guide Boards.

Amount appropriated		100 00
Expended	31 55	
Unexpended	68 45	
	<hr/> \$100 00	\$100 00

### Town Officers' Bills.

Paid R. A. Stacy, Selectman		\$65 00
C. W. Homstead "		40 25
L. Johonnett "		33 00
J. F. Harvey, Treasurer		25 00
R. A. Stacy, Clerk		10 00
E. L. Cook, Supervisor		75 50
H. G. Johonnett, Collector		84 86
R. A. Stacy, Town Agent		5 00
G. W. Hanson } Board		3 00
G. W. Appleby } of		3 00
J. B. Chase } Health		3 00
		<hr/> \$347 61

## Summary of Expenditures.

Town officers' bills	\$347 61	
Abatements	55 06	
Schools	1,625 02	
School books	146 95	
Public Library	6 59	
Memorial services	35 00	
Guide boards,	31 55	
Poor of Palmyra	112 70	
"    " other towns	71 99	
Roads and bridges	671 08	
Repairs on school houses	160 99	
Wm. E. Lord	17 20	
Miscellaneous bills	404 29	3686 03
Orders received of Treasurer		3686 03

## Resources of Town.

Due from H. G. Johonnett, Collector of 1894	\$2 42	
"    "    "    "    1895	35 00	
"    "    "    "    1896	1,637 00	
State on account of I. Tuttle for 1895	58 93	
"    "    "    "    1896	31 57	
Non resident tax returned	240 37	
State licenses on dogs	28 00	
On tax deed, Shaw and Dow land	7 41	
Susan H. Nichols, supplies to E. H. Clark, and witness fee, about	158 28	
Cash in treasury	5 32	
		\$2204 30

## Liabilities of Town.

Due on School fund order	1163 33	
Ginn & Co. for school books	211 03	
Schools	40 12	
Maine Insane hospital	10 50	
P. H. Lang, acct. John Salley	4 50	
Manson & Morse, services in Nichols case	100 00	
Probable due T. F. French, cemetery fence	54 00	\$1583 48
Balance in favor of town		\$620 82

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. STACY.	} Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, of Palmyra.
C. W. HOMSTEAD.	
L. JOHONNETT.	

February 20, 1897.

## Treasurer's Report.

### Receipts.

Mar. 12, '96. Cash from R. A. Stacy, Treasurer of 1895,	\$98 15
From Pittsfield, support of Union school	77 54
Newburgh, on acct. J. M. Philbrick	2 90
State. dog license refunded	67 98
Hearse hire, [Dobson funeral]	1 00
Town Clerk, for dog license	30 00
State school fund, and mill tax	688 86
Non resident tax of 1895, collected	218 05
H. G. Johonnett, collector 1895	1145 00
"      "      "      "      "      1896	2365 51
Highway money returned	1 65
Service of hearse for J. B. Sanborn	1 50
Certificate of death of "      "	25
Recording death of J. B. Sanborn	10
Balance from State tax	23 24
Pittsfield, support Union school	68 63
Collector, on tax of 1894	18 73
	\$4,809 09

### Expenditures.

By dog license sent to State Treasurer	\$30 00
State tax in full for 1896	781 60
County tax "      "      "	306 14
Town orders cancelled	3686 03
Cash in Treasury	5 32
	\$4,809 09

J. F. HARVEY, Treasurer.

## Library Report.

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The majority of the board of Trustees after talking with the patrons of the library, decided to move the library to the store, where access could be had at all times and we think the result has justified us in so doing, as it has given general satisfaction. The books have been well cared for, and patrons have been very careful of them. The number and classification remain the same as last year, but if the interest is kept up it will be necessary to make an addition the coming year.

Removed to Hilton store. Sept. 10. 1896; number of books taken since then, 602. Largest number by one person, 33. Number of patrons, 75. Number of books presented, 2.

MRS. S. MILLETT,  
J. L. MORTON,        }  
E. C. STACY.         } Trustees.

LURA G. FROST, Librarian.

## Report of Supervisor of Schools.

To the citizens of Palmyra I herewith submit my report of the schools for the year. In looking over the schools for the year I see but little chance for criticism, and think on the whole, the work done has been profitable to all concerned. I think a course of study for our schools, as suggested by the State Superintendent, would be a benefit to them. Many of the less industrious scholars will work harder to keep with their classes if they have a definite object in view.

By request of some of the citizens I put an article in the warrant asking for money for Free High Schools. Other towns have profitable High Schools. We are paying our part of the State tax and do not get the benefit. We have a long vacation from our winter to summer terms and one or two High Schools would accommodate nearly all the scholars. In the fall, High Schools could take the place of District Schools, thereby leaving more money for district schools.

In few instances it has been necessary to call upon the truant officer for the enforcement of the truant law. Parents should think carefully of the future welfare of their children and keep them more closely in our schools, thereby making it unnecessary for teachers and committee to use these officers. Young men going out into the world without an education are on a level with the low foreign laborer whose occupation is to use the pick and shovel. An education places the young man above these, fitting him for a purer manhood, a nobler life. Many of our school houses need repairs and for the health and welfare of our children the town should appropriate liberally for repairs. We should repair and paint our school houses to make them an ornament to the town. Our schools were not so long this year as in previous years. You will see by the statistics a decrease of sixteen scholars which decreases the State school fund and you will see our school fund is considerable less than last year.

### DISTRICT NO. 1.

The summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Alice Collamore. Miss Collamore is an energetic teacher and always interests her pupils. She did good work in the school. The winter term was taught by Byron P. Hanson, your former supervisor. Mr. Hanson worked hard in this school and the final examination showed thorough work and good advancement. This school shows good work done during the year.



## DISTRICT No. 2.

The Summer and winter terms were taught by Miss Frank Robinson, and the fall term by Miss Emma Johonnett. We find here a very pleasant little school, quiet and orderly. In glancing around the room we see many evidences of the skill of teacher and pupils in decorating the house to make it cozy and homelike. But look beyond these; they have tried to cover the dilapidated condition of the house. Nearly half the plastering is off the walls and ceiling, and one sitting on the back seat can feel a strong draft of wind through the house. This house needs a foundation and other repairs to put it in the proper condition for the health of the scholars.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

Mrs. Sarah Brackett, a teacher of much experience, taught the three terms. This school is always diligent and orderly. Mrs. Brackett commences each term with a definite object in view and drills her classes to accomplish that object, and by this means she shows beautiful work at the final examination. There are some smart scholars in this school.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

Visited and reported by B. P. Hanson.

The three terms taught by Mrs. Eber L. Cook, of Palmyra. Mrs. Cook is a successful teacher, and the examination of the several classes at the close of each term showed that the teacher and scholars had been united in their efforts in making them a success.

## DISTRICT No. 5.

The summer term was taught by Miss Ellen Johonnett and the fall and winter terms by Miss Lula Millett. Both teachers work hard and we find the school work for the year very good. We found Miss Millett had made marked progress with her reading classes. Miss Millett is quiet but firm in the schoolroom and we found the order very good.

## DISTRICT No. 6.

Miss Emma Johonnett taught the summer term with good success. Miss Johonnett is a very thorough scholar and a teacher of much experience. She gave her scholars a drill in Physical Culture which was very pretty and pleasing to them. This school was very small and we considered it more profitable to transfer the scholars to the Warren Hill District for the fall term. Winter term was taught by Miss Myrtie Coffin of Pittsfield. There were several large scholars who came in for this term and made it a very pleasant and interesting school. This house needs some repairs.

## DISTRICT No. 7.

In the summer term we find forty-four scholars registered with an average attendance of thirty-eight. To govern a school as large as this during the warm weather and in a house that will seat forty-eight is a task for any teacher, we find Miss Belle Maines equal to the task. We found this school very quiet and orderly and the examinations show good work in all their studies. Good work can be done only when we have good order and this should be the aim of all our teachers.

Visited and reported by B. P. Hanson.

Fall and winter terms taught by Mr. Eber L. Cook, of Palmyra. Mr. Cook is a teacher of much experience, thorough and faithful in his work. The examination at the close of each term showed good progress and thorough drill.

## DISTRICT No. 9.

Mr. Ivan Felker taught the summer term and Miss Alice Homstead the fall and winter terms. The scholars of this school did very good work for the year and the final examination showed good progress.

## DISTRICT No. 10.

Summer term was taught by Miss Thena Lowe. Miss Lowe is an excellent teacher and worked hard for the advancement of the school. This was Miss Lowe's first term and some of the unruly scholars took advantage of her inexperience and tried to make trouble and disturb the school.

Mrs. Belle Foley was secured for the fall term with the instruction to keep order first. This she did and we find the school very quiet and doing good work. The condition of this house is such that we did not consider it prudent to have a winter term in it, as it needs considerable repairing.

## DISTRICT No. 11.

Summer term taught by Miss Nellie Hanson. Fall term taught by Miss Alice Pray, and Winter term by Miss Ellen Johonnett. Miss Hanson and Miss Pray had never taught before, but both did good work in the school room. At the final examination of the winter term the school showed good advancement for the year.

The scholars of this school have unconsciously fallen into the habit of giving the rising inflection to their reading and to all questions; this gives a doubtful sound to answers. Teachers should be very careful to overcome such habits before they have gone too long. This house needs some repairs.

## DISTRICT No. 13

Miss Grace I. Farnham, of Pittsfield, commenced the summer term and taught five weeks when she was obliged to close on account of sickness at home. Miss Addie Davis taught the remaining four weeks with good success. Miss Farnham taught the fall term and the scholars made good advancement under her instruction. Miss Alice Collamore taught the winter term with her usual good success.

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No. of scholars in town, Apr. 1, 1895, .....	299
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1, 1896, .....	283
Decrease, .....	16

School fund raised by vote of town, .....	\$805.00
State school fund and mill tax, .....	688.86
Interest on school fund, .....	69.80
Received from Pittsfield for South Union District, .....	68.63
Balance unexpended from 1895, .....	32.85
	<u>\$1,665.14</u>

Paid for teaching, .....	\$1,473.00
“ “ wood, .....	100.87
Cleaning school houses, .....	16 25
Building fires and appliances, .....	34.90
Total expense of schools, .....	<u>\$1,625.02</u>
Balance unexpended, .....	40.12

Amount of school fund last year, .....	\$1,876.33
“ “ “ “ this year, .....	<u>1,665.14</u>
Less than last year, .....	211.19

Appended are the tabular statistics as taken from the registers.

Respectfully submitted.

EBER L. COOK, Supervisor of Schools.

Teacher	District	No. of scholars attending	Average attend.	Length of school	Wages per week	No. of scholars not absent 1-2 day	No. of visits of Superintendent	No. of daily Recitations	No. of schools taught before
Summer Term.									
Alice Collamore	1	9	8	9	\$5.00	1	2	22	11
Frank Robinson	2	11	9.7	9	4.50	3	2	22	5
Sarah Brackett	3	8	7	9	5.00	3	2	17	36
Edith V. Cook	4	30	24	9	6.50	6	2	21	6
Ellen Johonnett	5	10	9	9	5.00	3	2	25	5
Emma Johonnett	6	6	4.5	9	5.00	1	2	27	7
L. Belle Maines	7	44	38	9	6.50		3	—	28
Ivan Felker	9	23	18	9	6.50	4	2	29	1
Thena N. Lowe	10	9	8	9	4.50	3	3	17	0
Nellie Hanson	11	6	5	9	4.50	—	2	23	0
Grace I. Farnham	13	13	11.5	5	5.00	6	1	18	5
Addie Davis	13	14	10.5	4	4.50	2	1		0
Fall Term.									
Alice Collamore	1	9	7	9	5.00		2	26	12
Emma Johonnett	2	7	6	9	5.00			18	8
Sarah Brackett	3	8	7	9	5.00	2	2	17	37
Edith V. Cook	4	24	22.2	9	6.50	6	1	24	7
Lulu G. Millett	5	12	10.4	9	5.00	3	2	28	6
Eber L. Cook	7	44	37	9	8.00	10	2	24	24
Alice Homstead	9	26	22	9	6.50	7	2	30	5
L. Belle Foley	10	14	12	12	8.00		2		23
Alice Pray	11	5	3.5	9	4.50		2	26	0
Grace I. Farnham	13	12	10	9	5.00		2	16	6
Winter Term.									
B. P. Hanson	1	12	11	7	7.00	8	2	34	—
Frank Robinson	2	7	6.1	7	4.50	2	2	19	6
Sarah Brackett	3	6	5	7	5.00	2	2	18	39
Edith V. Cook	4	25	22.3	7	6.50	10	2	28	8
Lulu G. Millett	5	11	10	7	5.00	2	2	26	7
Myrtle L. Coffin	6	12	8	7	5.00	2	2	20	0
Eber L. Cook	7	42	35	7	8.00	5	2	24	25
Alice Homstead	9	23	19.9	7	6.50	4	2	25	6
Ellen Johonnett	11	5	5	7	5.00	5	2	21	6
Alice Collamore	13	12	11	7	5.00	10	2	23	13

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The past year has been much more embarrassing in a pecuniary point of view than any during our administration. The hard times are responsible for this in a great measure, and has been the cause for resolving ourselves into a committee of the whole on "ways and means."

Two things resulted from our deliberations; first, we resorted to the method of making statements of all our accounts over thirty days old and asking those indebted to us to kindly help us out, and at the same time establishing the strictly cash or thirty day system ONLY. This may have caused some dissatisfaction with a few who did not stop to realize, perhaps, that the interest on their accounts, if figured, would, in some instances, more than balance the profit on same. We wish to assure you, however, that our policy in this matter is conducted purely in good faith, and we sincerely hope it may be accepted accordingly.

Our second policy was one which greatly pleased the people, and which we have ALSO decided to continue INDEFINITELY, even though it may be at the expense of additional clerk hire. This was to close out all of our "out of date stock" regardless of cost, when accompanied by so valuable an exchange as the cash. This we do in order to make room for the more seasonable goods, and to accommodate our financial condition as well, and last, *but not least*, to accommodate the people. This we consider to be no mistake, but an agreeable accommodation to all. Trusting that you will continue to show your appreciation of this policy in the future, as in the past, we cordially invite you, one and all, to call at our headquarters, No. 25 Main Street, and inspect our stock and prices.

Remember, that in Spring, our Winter goods go at some price, while in Autumn there is no uniformity of price whatever on Summer goods. We shall continue to keep our Stock "up to date" in every particular. We trust these policies will meet with your most hearty approval. Should you feel skeptical on any part of this report, don't hesitate to call and confer with us.

Respectfully submitted,

**S. E. PLUMMER, 25 Main St., NEWPORT.**



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MALINDA.—Johnnie's out cracking hickory nuts with it.

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