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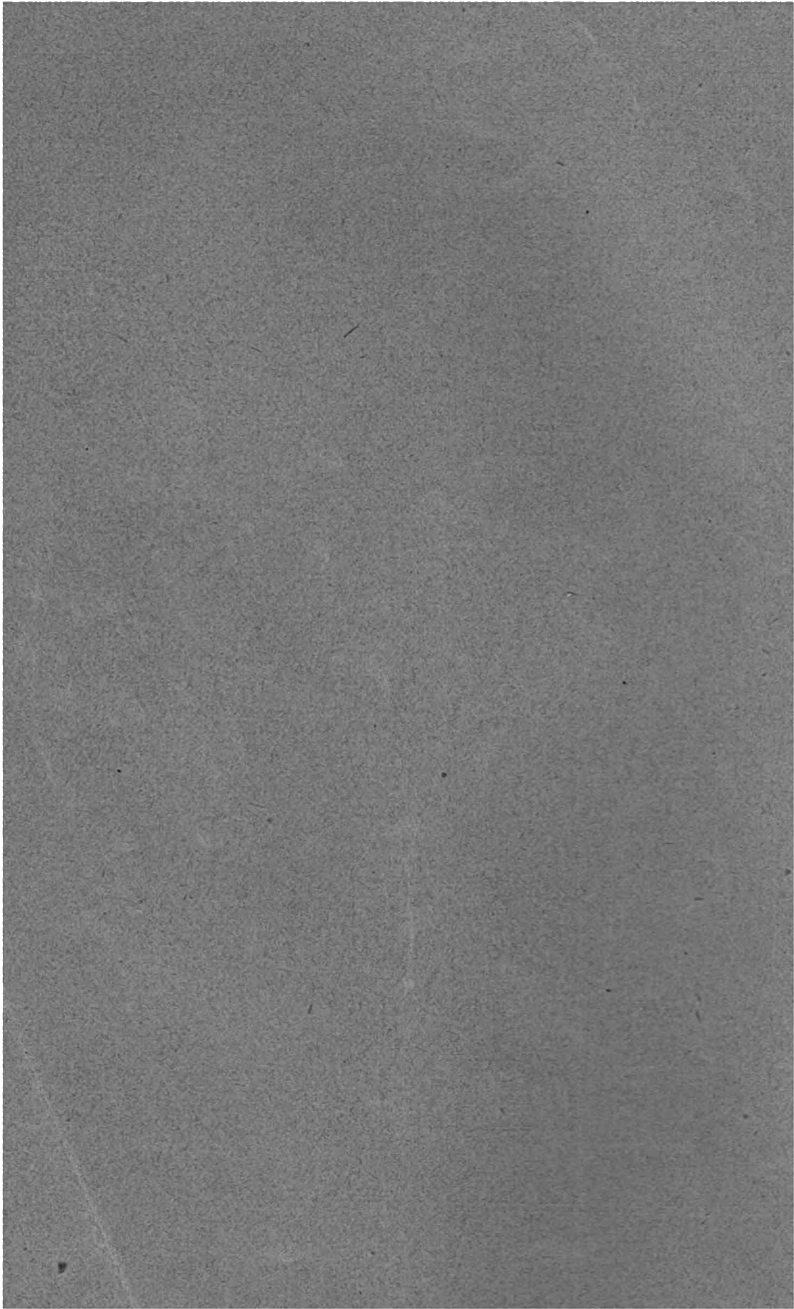


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# Articles in Town Warrant.



- 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, and if so how much.
- ART. 4—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the support of schools, and if so how much.
- ART. 5—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair roads and bridges for the year ensuing.
- ART. 6—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair and paint the Goodwin Cemetery Fence.
- ART. 7—To see if the town will purchase the tomb at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.
- ART. 8—To see what action the town will take in regard to small schools that are suspended for failing to maintain the required average attendance for past year.
- ART. 9—To see if the town will vote to exempt Palmyra Grange Hall from taxation for five years, also to abate tax of 1897.
- ART. 10—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for repairs on school houses.
- ART. 11—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for Free High School.
- ART. 12—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to purchase a new road machine.
- ART. 13—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for support of Public Library.

- ART. 14—To see if the town will vote to purchase six oxen to run road machine.
- ART. 15—To see if the town will vote to abate the tax on the property of Geo. I. Brooks, deceased.
- ART. 16—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for Memorial Services.
- ART. 17—To see if the town will vote to purchase wire for fences on the highway where rail fences now exist, also to purchase wire for fencing Town Farm.
- ART. 18—To see if the town will vote to establish the price of wages for labor on the highway for men, and also for horses per day.
- ART. 19—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Treasurer to pay no bills to any person owing a tax in town, until said person has first settled his tax in full.

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 26th day of February, A. D. 1898.

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

# Selectmen's Report.

## Valuation of Town for the Year 1897.

Real Estate Resident	\$227,495.00
"    " Non-Resident	40,575.00
Personal Estate	47,338.00
Total Valuation	<u>\$315,408.00</u>
Rate \$12.50 per \$1000	\$3942.60
238 polls at \$2.00 each	476.00
	<u>\$4418.60</u>

## Assessments for 1897.

For Town Charges	\$800 00
Roads and Bridges	1200 00
Schools	805 00
Repairs on school houses	250 00
Memorial services	15 00
State tax	947 44
County tax	326 42
Overlaying	74 74
Supplemental tax	8 18
Amount committed to M. Dyer	<u>\$4426 78</u>
Amount of money appropriated for repairs on	
Town Farm Buildings .....	\$300 00
Books for Public Library .....	43 41
	<u>\$343 41</u>



**Support of Poor of Palmyra.**

Paid on account of Asa Stuart	\$25 00	
Mrs. Debay	9 05	
Morton child, 15 weeks, board and clothes	21 33	
funeral expenses of Susan and Mamie Morton	39 00	
Henry Morton and children	69 09	
Charles Baker	4 55	
John Sally	53 45	
		<hr/> \$221 47

The Town Farm was leased to S. B. Millett until May 8, 1898, in consideration of the support of two persons.

**Support of the Poor of Other Towns.**

Paid on account of E. H. Clark	\$60 75	
Israel Tuttle	60 97	
Baker children	5 65	
		<hr/> \$127 37
Paid on account of tramps		\$5 00
Wm. E. Lord at Insane Hospital at Augusta		<hr/> \$69 79

**Repairs on Town Farm Buildings.**

Amount appropriated by the town		\$300 00
Expended	\$211 94	
Unexpended	88 06	
	<hr/> \$300 00	<hr/> \$300 00

**Repairs on School Houses.**

Amount raised by town		250 00
Expended	247 90	
Unexpended	2 10	
	<hr/> \$250 00	<hr/> \$250 00

**School Book Account.**

Paid for Books in 1897	\$11 29	
on book account of 1896	100 00	
		\$111 29
Due Ginn & Co. for books purchased in 1896		193 56

**Memorial Services.**

Raised by vote of town		\$15 00
Expended	\$2 00	
Unexpended	13 00	
	\$15 00	\$15 00

**Abatements.**

H. G. Johonnett, collector of 1896	\$33 56	
Michael Dyer,           "       " 1897	10 63	
S. P. Judkins	2 34	
W. A. Blaisdell	1 17	
W. C. Pratt, vote of town	18 77	
A. M. Bartlett, exempt by law, poll tax	2 00	
		\$68 47

**Report of Road Commissioner.****Roads and Bridges.**

Amount raised by town		\$1200 00
expended	1442 17	
Estimate amount of outstanding bills	440 80	
Cost of highway over appropriation		682 97
	\$1882 97	\$1882 97

### Town Officers' Bills.

Paid R. A. Stacy, Selectman		\$54 00
C. W. Homstead "		35 75
L. Johonnett "		27 00
J. F. Harvey, Treasurer		25 00
R. A. Stacy, Clerk		10 00
E. L. Cook, Supervisor		34 70
L. Maria Libby "		41 30
B. P. Hanson "		1 50
R. A. Stacy, Town Agent		5 00
G. W. Hanson } Board		4 95
G. W. Appleby } of		3 00
J. B. Chase } Health		3 50
M. Dyer, Collector		61 97
E. E. Parkman, Road Commissioner		80 00
		<u>\$387 67</u>

### Summary of Expenses.

Paid for poor of Palmyra	\$221 47
" " " other towns	127 37
on account of tramps	5 00
" " " W. E. Lord	89 85
for school books	111 29
" Memorial services	15 00
" Schools	1,635 81
Town Officers' bills	387 67
abatements	68 47
Public Library	65 35
repairing of school houses	247 90
" " Town Farm buildings	211 94
miscellaneous bills	451 99
on roads and bridges	1,442 17
	<u>\$5,081 28</u>
Amount of orders returned and canceled	\$4,650 37
" " " outstanding	430 91
	<u>\$5,081 28</u>

### Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid C. H. Folsom, watering tub	\$3 00
Freeman Fernald, damage on road	5 00
R. A. Stacy, trip to Skowhegan before State Assessors	3 00
Henry Shaw, labor on Spring Hill cemetery	4 00
T. F. French, cemetery fence	54 00
H. I. Allen, damage on highway, by vote of town	15 00
for grass seed for town farm	4 90
“ pump “ “ “	4 25
“ rock job on “ “	5 00
“ adoption of infant baby of H. Morton	100 00
John Humphrey, printing town reports	14 00
for repairs on hearse	4 10
C. A. Moulton, certificates of births and deaths	5 75
E. A. Porter “ “ “	1 75
F. J. Taylor “ “ “	1 25
Chas. Hanson, for rails used by Asa Stuart	5 00
F. P. Foster, services as moderator	1 50
for Election clerks	6 00
C. F. Gerald, watering tub	3 00
C. W. Homstead, services of hearse	21 00
M. Dyer, services as dog constable	10 50
Blank books and stationery	8 25
John W. Manson, law case with Susan H. Nichols, in full for two trials	157 58
Posting two town warrants	2 00
R. A. Stacy, recording births and deaths	3 56
J. F. Harvey, amount paid on town bills	8 60
Total amount of miscellaneous bills .....	\$451 99

## Liabilities of Town.

Due on school fund order	\$1,163 33
“ Ginn & Co. school books	193 56
on outstanding orders	430 91
“ “ road bills as estimated to	
February 28, 1898	440 80
	\$2,228 60

## Resources of Town.

Due from H. G. Johonnett, Collector, 1894	\$2 42
“ “ “ “ 1895	10 00
“ “ “ “ 1896	55 50
Michael Dyer “ 1897	1530 55
State on dog licenses “	48 00
Schools	7 38
State on account Israel Tuttle	60 97
Hartland, “ Baker Children	5 65
Tax deed Shaw land	7 41
	\$1727 88
Balance against Town Treasurer, Feb. 28.—’98	\$500 72

In making our report it was the intention of the Selectmen to include only the bills contracted by the town to February 21, 1898, which would be the end of their fiscal year.

Owing to the stormy weather while settling, some bills contracted prior to that date were not brought in, while many bills of the last storm were presented and paid. We have therefore made an estimate of all outstanding bills up to February 28, 1898, intending to show as near as possible the financial condition of the town to that date.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. STACY, C.W. HOMSTEAD, L. JOHONNETT.	}	Selectmen of Palmyra.
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# Treasurer's Report.

## RECEIPTS.

Received from State, dog license refunded	\$26 88
Town Clerk, for dog tax	53 00
State Treasurer, support Israel Tuttle	90 37
Susan H. Nichols' case	269 00
W. P. Sinclair, for brick school house	26 00
C. W. Homstead, for shingles	8 00
sale of school books	1 00
State school fund and mill tax	700 41
Town of Pittsfield, for Union School	13 10
license for auctioneer	2 00
C. F. Parkman, for Marsh School House	7 50
L. Johonnett, for Sanborn School House	10 00
H. G. Johonnett, Collector, 1895	25 00
" " " " " " 1896	1,581 50
M. Dyer " " 1897	2,896 18
Non resident tax	240 37
Cash in treasury, Feb. 20, 1896	5 32
Cash returned from Memorial services	13 00
Town order to balance	8 60
	\$5,977 23

## EXPENDITURES.

By dog license sent to State Treasurer	\$53 00
County tax in full	326 42
State tax in full	947 44
Town orders cancelled	4650 37
	\$5,977 23

J. F. HARVEY, Treasurer.

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## Public Library Report.

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Amount appropriated		\$43 41
Expended for books	\$50 00	
other purposes	15 35	
Overdrawn		21 94
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	65 35	65 35

Seventy five new books have been added to the Library the past fall at a cost of fifty dollars.

The interest is good. These new books have been almost constantly in the hands of readers. If the interest is kept up there must be a small yearly outlay for new books.

H. C. WEBBER,  
ALVIN HOWES, } Trustees of  
C. H. FOLSOM, } Public Library.  
J. L. MORTON.

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# Report of Schools

For School Year Ending April 1, 1898.

Amount raised by town	\$805 00
unexpended in 1896	40 12
interest on town school fund	69 80
State school fund and mill tax	700 41
Rec'd from Pittsfield for South Union school	13 10
Total amount of school money	1628 43
Overdrawn	7 38
	<hr/> \$1635 81
Amount paid for teachers	\$1419 60
conveying scholars	72 10
wood	98 80
building fires	21 25
boughing and banking	3 50
cleaning school houses	16 00
school appliances	4 56
	<hr/> 1635 81

The above ( table on following page ) is a correct report of the schools for the past year, also, an accurate account of receipts and expenditures for school purposes.

The schools as a whole have been very satisfactory and evinced faithful work on the part of both teachers and pupils.

L. MARIA LIBBY, Supt. of Schools.



TEACHER	No. of District	No. of Scholars attending School.	Average Attend.	Wages per Week	Length of School in weeks.	No. of Scholars not absent 1-2 day	No. of Schools taught before.
<b>SUMMER TERM.</b>							
Nellie J. Hanson	1	8	7	\$4.50	7 4-5	1	1
Addie L. Davis	2	10	7.4	4.25	8	2	1
Sarah J. Brackett	3	10	8.9	5.00	8	4	39
Eva M. Hilton	4	30	25.4	6.50	8	9	43
Clara B. Adams	5	8	6.8	5.00	8	3	6
Carrie A. Robertson	6	8	6	5.00	7 4-5	1	8
Lula G. Millett	7	29	23	6.50	8	7	8
L. B. Foley	9	21	19	6.50	8		30
Lelia Smith	10	7	5	4.25	8	2	
Thena N. Lowe	11	6	5.4	4.25	8	2	1
Emma Johonnett	13	12	10.9	5.00	8	4	9
<b>FALL TERM.</b>							
Clara B. Adams	1	7	6.4	5.00	8		7
Addie L. Davis	2	8	7.5	4.50	8	3	2
Sarah J. Brackett	3	7	6.6	5.00	8	2	40
Edith V. Cook	4	37	30.7	6.50	8	4	10
Lula G. Millett	5	10	7.5	5.50	8	2	9
Maude E. Munroe	6	13	11	5.50	8		12
E. L. Cook	7	37	29.5	8.00	8	1	26
N. P. Tupper	9	24	21	10.00	8	2	45
Thena N. Lowe	11	7	6.7	4.50	8	1	2
Alice B. Collamore	13	14	12.2	5.00	8	2	13
<b>WINTER TERM.</b>							
Harry I. Smith	1	9	8	5.50	8		
Addie L. Davis	2	8	7	5.00	8	1	3
Sarah J. Brackett	3	7	6.6	5.50	8	2	41
Edith V. Cook	4	36	29.6	7.00	8	5	11
Lula G. Millett	5	11	9.6	6.00	8	5	10
Jesse S. Bragg	6	15	13	6.00	8	2	
E. L. Cook	7	30	26	8.00	8	8	27
N. P. Tupper	9	23	21	10.00	6	6	46
Nellie J. Hanson	11	7	6	5.00	8	1	2
Alice B. Collamore	13	13	11.5	5.50	8	2	14

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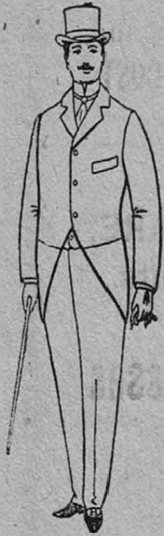
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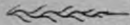
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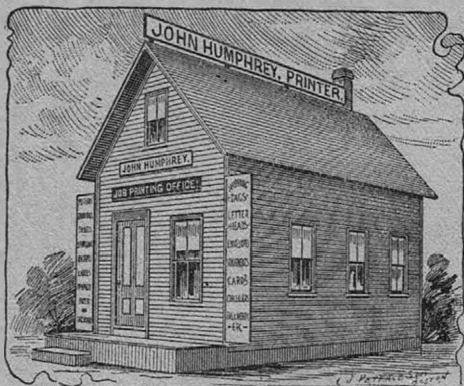
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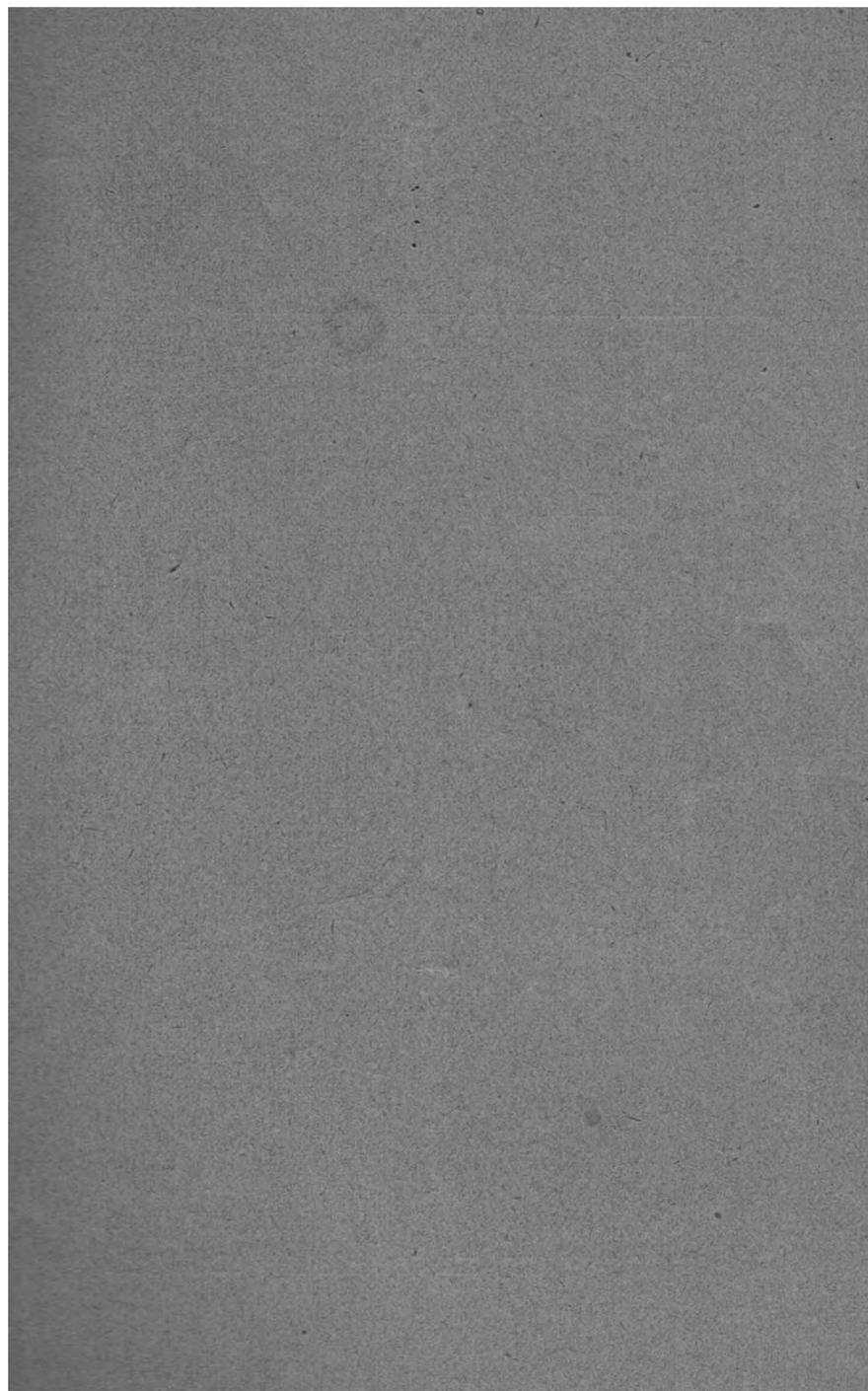
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# Tax Payers of Palmyra, Attention!

Are you coming to Town Meeting March 7, 1898?  
And do you want to help pay your own taxes and patronize home industry? if you do, you should call at the store of

## L. W. FROST & CO.

—where they will be having a—

### SPECIAL CASH SALE For That Day Only!

All kinds of Rubber Footwear, Boots  
and Shoes, will be going CHEAP!

Also a fine line of  
**First Class Groceries!**

Here are a few good trades among the many for  
Cash for This Day Only!

9 Bars Lenox Soap, .....	25c.
38 " " " .....	\$1.00
5 Lbs. Best Rio Coffee grown, .....	1.00
4 " Java & Mocha, in cans, .....	1.00
7 Doz. Mop Handles, at 5c each.	

Prices on Molasses, Kerosene Oil, &c. will be made correspondingly low.  
Bring your Jugs and Cans.

Come in and vote for some good men, and give us a call

**EARLY IN THE DAY.**