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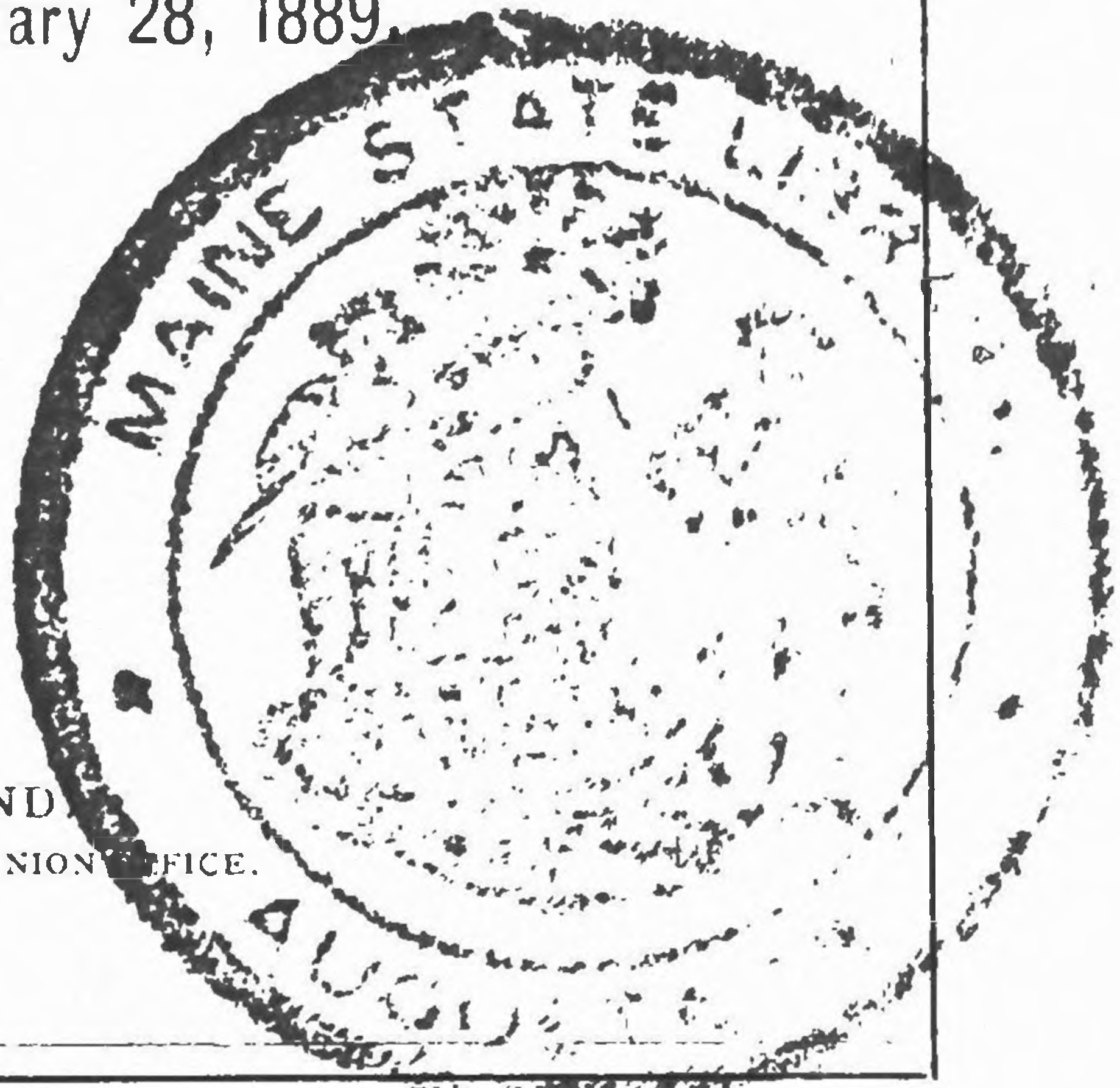
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TOWN OFFICERS
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Selectmen's Report

VALUATION.

Real estate,	\$144,805 00
Personal estate,	41,983 00
Total,	<u>\$186,788 00</u>

Rate of taxation, \$15 per \$1,000.
No. of polls, 185. Tax each, \$2.50.

State tax,	\$585 33
County tax,	409 21
For support of schools,	664 50
For support of poor,	400 00
For repair of roads and bridges,	150 00
For town and miscellaneous expenses.	150 00
For breaking roads in Winter,	850 00
For overlay,	55 28

Assessed and committed to E.E.Upham to collect, \$3,264 32

TOTAL AMOUNT OF ORDERS DRAWN, 1888.

For abatements,	\$49 43
For breaking roads,	816 63
For support of poor,	343 99
For roads and bridges,	218 19
For town and miscellaneous expenses,	246 26
For schools,	1,183 85
	<u>\$2,858 35</u>

TAX ABATEMENTS.

John Wright, error,	\$10 00
F. Hanson, error,	3 75
J. Boardman, error,	4 50
A. Crane, error,	1 50
Chas. Graham,	4 00
Ethel Lindsay, 1886,	2 00
Ethel Lindsay, 1887,	2 00
Fred Richards, 1887,	2 00
Cyrus Taylor, 1887,	80

B. F. Clough, 1887,	2 00
L. F. Hall, 1887,	2 00
Edw. Davis, 1887,	60
F. O. Bartlett, 1887,	2 00
E. W. Blaisdell, 1887,	80
Orison Bartlett estate,	11 48
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	\$48 43

PAID FOR BREAKING ROADS.

Allen W. J.	\$5 40	Cole, H. M.	2 70
Allen, Albion	12 25	Delano, John	3 00
Athearn, Geo.	45	Dunton, A. F.	9 00
Barnes, C. D.	3 97	Dunbar, C. E.	1 20
Barnes, Fred	8 85	Fogler, L. S. & John	5 77
Bartlett, W. H.	1 58	Fogler, John, 1887,	4 82
Bartlett, Daniel estate	16 40	Fogler, Henry	28 65
Brewer, E. J.	1 73	Fitch, H. J.	3 50
Boardman, J.	4 65	Fish, W. B.	12 72
Brown, Leander	1 50	Flanders, A.	8 10
Brown, Geo.	1 80	Gould, J.	1 12
Brown, Reuben	4 50	Gardner, N.	5 25
Brown, John	10 20	Graves, Edw.	2 70
Bills, C. A.	1 00	Hall, D. S.	11 85
Bills, S. L.	1 65	Hall, Hiram	4 95
Bowley, D. J.	4 95	Handley, F.	7 80
Bowley, W. B.	2 55	Harkness, Wm. G.	5 25
Barrett, N. F.	2 37	Heal, I. D.	12 42
Barrett, W. P.	5 60	Heal, E. H.	7 20
Coose, E. B.	5 12	Heal, J. A.	4 45
Carleton, B. H.	7 50	Heal, Chas.	4 87
Conant, F. P.	13 35	Hewett, E. W.	2 60
Conant, Isaac	2 25	Hastings, T.	4 20
Carkin, Wm. A.	12 45	Hobbs, J. P.	1 90
Carter, Geo.	3 47	Hobbs, Isaac	2 25
Carter, A. A.	3 90	Hilt, J. W.	17 40
Carter, J. O.	6 30	Hemingway, Chas.	2 25
Calderwood, J.	4 35	Jones, C. H.	3 30
Calderwood, F. H.	7 20	Jones, Joseph	2 70
Crabtree, A. M.	7 80	Jackson, Leroy	5 25
Crabtree, J. M.	2 25	Kimball, C. T.	6 30
Crabtree, F. A.	6 75	Kimball, Sidney	8 40
Cummings, Wm.	8 29	Keene, Ansel	5 70

Ludwig, D. H.	6 15	Simmons, J. P.	6 75
Leach, G. W.	2 47	Simmons, Jethro	16 20
Lermond, Elb.	3 52	Sibley, Jacob	5 48
Mahoney, Chas.	2 85	Taylor, M. G.	4 20
Metcalf, M.	5 85	Taylor, Fred	2 70
Metcalf, Mrs. M. G.	1 20	Taylor, W. J.	13 35
Mansfield, D. H.	90	Taylor, M. F.	14 40
Mansfield, F. L.	11 50	Thorndike, John	1 50
Mills, Otis	6 00	Trask, Sylv.	9 00
Morse, Chas.	8 06	Upham, E.	2 70
Mink, E. G.	12 52	Upham, E. E.	3 30
Merrifield, Geo.	75	Upham, Silas	5 65
Merrifield, B. F.	21 30	Wellman, C. H.	13 95
Norwood, W.	4 50	Wellman, Freeman	3 37
Noyes, John	4 50	Wellman, Geo.	20 25
Oxton, John	2 25	Wellman, W. D.	2 10
Perry, Frank	2 32	Wellman, N. E.	6 75
Philbrick, H. M.	8 55	Wright, John	6 00
Philbrick, Elisha	8 25	Whitehouse, W. C.	3 30
Payson, Halsa H.	4 50	Wentworth, Jesse A.	3 15
Payson, D. A.	3 30	Wentworth, Sam'l est.	13 20
Payson, C. F.	4 35	Wentworth, G. O.	5 50
Payson, C. A.	7 90	Wentworth, Myron	8 77
Payson, Henry H.	3 30	Wentworth, Horace	18 75
Payson, G. M.	80	Wentworth, Thomas	7 50
Pearse, A. J.	7 72	Wentworth, D. B.	2 81
Quinn, F. J.	4 27	Wentworth, Alfred	1 20
Roy, Edw.	45	Wentworth, Alanson	14 25
Robbins, G. M.	3 22	Wentworth, Clifford	1 50
Robbins, E. O.	2 55	Wentworth, Arthur	4 23
Robbins, E. O. 1887,	7 00	Wentworth, Elmer	4 57
Ripley, J. U.	3 00		
Simmons, C. A.	26 85		\$816 63
Simmons, Samuel	5 75		

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid John W. Chase for support of Ira W. Bills,	\$35 10
Paid John W. Chase for support of Ira W. Bills,	33 90
Paid John W. Chase for support of Ira W. Bills,	42 11
Paid John W. Chase for support of Ira W. Bills,	33 94
Paid A. B. Allen for expense of bringing home Ira W. Bills,	9 45
Paid S. W. Upham for support of Warren Gould,	12 00

Paid S. W. Upham for support of Warren Gould,	10 00
Paid S. W. Upham for support of Warren Gould,	10 00
Paid S. W. Upham for support of Warren Gould,	10 00
Paid D. H. Mansfield, expense of U. G. Merrifield at the Maine General Hospital,	74 20
Paid A. M. Crabtree, board of U. G. Merrifield,	19 00
Paid A. Starrett, support of U. G. Merrifield,	3 28
Paid T. L. Mansfield, support of Nellie Went- worth in 1886,	22 70
Paid E. D. Gushee, supplies furnished James T. Wentworth,	11 11
Paid A. H. Newbert, supplies furnished James T. Wentworth,	17 20
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	\$343 99

ORDERS DRAWN FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Geo. Wellman, work on road,	\$2 92
Geo. Wellman, work on bridge,	6 55
F. H. Barnes, work on road,	9 75
G. M. Robbins, work on road,	3 00
W. J. Taylor, work on road,	1 50
Myron Wentworth, work on bridge,	3 37
Lyman Frye, work on road,	7 50
Albert Pearse, work on road,	38 00
Frank Handley, work on road,	36 25
T. B. Heal, work on road,	2 25
E. E. Upham, work on road,	4 60
B. H. Carleton, work on road,	18 35
G. E. Harkness et als., work on road,	17 75
George Athearn, work on road,	3 00
Mrs. M. G. Metcalf, plank on bridge,	6 86
W. B. Fish, plank,	50 04
W. B. Fish, work on road,	6 50
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	\$218 19

ORDERS FOR TOWN AND OTHER PURPOSES.

Porter & Jones, printing town reports, 1888,	\$19 50
W. B. Fish, blank books,	2 25
C. E. Littlefield, legal services in Burrows suit,	33 47
F. K. Allen, services as supervisor of schools,	22 50
D. H. Mansfield, services as supervisor of schools,	10 00
W. J. Allen, services as selectman, etc.,	32 00

W. B. Fish, services as selectman, etc.,	30 00
D. H. Mansfield, services as selectman, etc.,	27 00
E. E. Upham, services as collector, 1888,	45 50
E. E. Upham, services as collector, 1887,	8 57
W. J. Allen, books, postage and stationery,	3 47
H. M. Cole, services as town clerk,	4 00
L. P. True, services as treasurer,	8 00
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	\$246 26

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 1.

Balance left from 1887,	\$6 51
Amount apportioned in 1888,	118 00
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	\$124 51

EXPENDITURES.

Mary Bills, teaching,	\$20 00
Geo. M. Simmons, board of teacher,	12 00
Freeman Wellman, wood,	10 00
E. M. Thompson, teaching,	55 00
G. M. Simmons, board of teacher,	16 50
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	\$113 50
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	\$11 01

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 2.

Balance left from 1887,	\$2 45
Amount apportioned, 1888,	138 00
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Balance due district,	\$140 45

EXPENDITURES.

William Cummings, board of teacher,	\$10 50
William Cummings, repairs,	2 55
Effie Robbins, teaching,	21 00
Mrs. N. Alford, board of teacher,	10 50
W. B. Bowley, teaching,	56 00
Myron Wentworth, wood,	4 80
Effie Robbins, teaching,	21 00
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	\$126 35
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Balance due district,	\$14 10

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 3.

Balance left from 1887,	\$1 84
Amount apportioned, 1888,	118 62
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	\$120 46

EXPENDITURES.

Alice Cole, teaching and board,	\$34 00	
Frank J. Taylor, teaching and board,	50 00	
G. O. Wentworth, repairs,	3 80	
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Balance due district,		\$32 66

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 4.

Balance left from 1887,	\$5 14
Amount apportioned, 1888,	159 00
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	\$164 14

EXPENDITURES.

Addie L. Bartlett, teaching,	\$40 90	
Addie L. Bartlett, teaching,	50 19	
J. H. Hobbs, board,	11 20	
S. L. Bills, supplies and repairs,	2 50	
A. F. Dunton, board and wood,	27 00	
Abatement of tax, F. O. Bartlett, B. F. Clough and Fred Richards,	3 00	
Amount due from district, 1887,	15 53	
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Balance due district,		\$14 72

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 5.

Balance left from 1887,	\$24 23
Amount apportioned, 1888,	160 00
Amount received from John Woster,	7 50
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	\$191 73

EXPENDITURES.

N. F. Barrett, supplies, 1887,	\$1 81
J. P. Hobbs, wood, 1887,	75
Frank J. Taylor, teaching and board,	42 80
May Plum Tobin, teaching,	18 00
Albion Allen, wood and board,	15 40

J. H. Wright, supplies and repairs,	7 72	
Addie L. Bartlett, teaching,	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$146 48

Balance due district, \$45 25

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 6.

Balance left from 1887,	\$61 94
Amount apportioned, 1888,	152 00
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	\$213 94

EXPENDITURES.

Daniel G. Wentworth, teaching, 1887,	\$26 20
L. O. Brown, board,	10 64
Arvilla Thorndike, teaching,	24 00
Leroy Jackson, services as agent, 1887,	4 00
L. O. Brown, board,	22 80
Florence Cole, teaching,	48 00
J. P. Simmons, repairs,	6 60
Alfred Wentworth, wood,	6 60
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	\$148 84

Balance due district, \$65 10

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 7.

Balance left in 1887,	\$14 30
Amount apportioned, 1888,	225 00
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	\$239 30

EXPENDITURES.

Gertrude Payson, teaching,	\$45 50
Alice Hewett, teaching,	39 00
A. J. Achorn, teaching,	90 50
D. E. Fish, board of teacher,	18 00
S. H. Bowley, wood,	10 40
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	\$203 40

Balance due district, \$35 90

Tax assessed for repairs on schoolhouse in Dist.No.7, \$271 39

Bills paid on same as follows :

For assessing tax,	\$3 00
For collecting tax,	3 80
C. A. Jones, work,	1 50

H. E. Carter, work,	55	40	
E. W. Carter, work,	6	00	
Albert Lermond, work,	42	00	
E. G. Mink, work,	5	25	
D. J. Bowley, materials,	22	25	
A. Starrett, materials,	1	17	
Reuben Howard, materials,	5	00	
G. F. Payson & Sons, materials,	18	39	
W. Starrett, materials,	26	03	
C. E. Dunbar, labor and materials,	33	80	
	<hr/>		\$223 59

Balance due district, for tax assessed for repairs of schoolhouse,	\$47 80
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AMOUNT IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

Sum committed to collector for town purposes,	\$2,259 78
Sum committed to collector for district No. 7,	271 39
Cash, March 1, 1888,	52 08
Received of John Woster,	7 50
Due from collector, for 1886,	46 85
Due from collector, for 1887,	497 83
State school fund,	395 62
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Total,	\$3,541 05

Treasurer is credited with :

Paying orders, 1888,	\$2,858 35	
Paying orders, 1887,	24 73	
Due from Upham, collector,	431 89	
Cash on hand,	226 08	
	<hr/>	\$3,541 05

RESOURCES OF TOWN FOR 1888.

Tax committed to E. E. Upham, collector,	\$3,264 32
Amount due from collector in 1887,	497 83
Amount due from collector in 1886,	46 85
Amount due from Ira Bills, for support of son,	139 42
Amount due from John Woster, for dist. No. 5,	7 50
Cash on hand in treasury.	52 08
Tax assessed in school district No. 7,	271 39
State school fund,	395 62
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	\$4,675 01

AMOUNTS PAID OUT, AND ON HAND.

State tax,	\$585 33
County tax,	409 21
Orders drawn,	2,858 35
Orders drawn in 1887,	24 73
Cash, March 1, 1889,	226 08
Due from E. E. Upham, collector, 1888,	431 89
Due from Ira Bills,	139 42
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	\$4,675 01

RESOURCES, MARCH 1, 1889.

Due from E. E. Upham,	431 89
Due from Ira Bills,	139 42
Cash in treasurer's hands,	226 08
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	\$797 39

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM J. ALLEN,
W. B. FISH,
D. H. MANSFIELD,

Selectmen of Hope.

Treasurer's Report.

L. P. TRUE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF HOPE.

To cash in treasury. per settlement. Feb. 25, 1888,	\$52 08
To cash received from John Woster, Camden school fund,	7 50
Amount uncollected tax on tax bills, 1886, due from M. F. Taylor,	46 85
Amount uncollected tax on tax bills, 1887, due from E. E. Upham,	497 83
Amount of commitment of tax bills committed to E. E. Upham for collection, year 1888,	2,541 17
School fund and mill tax,	395 62
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	\$3,541 05

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By town orders paid,	\$2,883 08
By uncollected tax on bills, 1888, due from E. E. Upham,	431 89
Amount in treasury, per settlement. Feb. 28, 1889,	226 08
	<hr/> \$3,541 05

L. P. TRUE,
Treasurer of Hope.

Town Clerk's Report.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 25, 1889.

Certificates of Intention of Marriage issued during the year are as follows :

1888.

- Feb. 29. Augustus F. Lermond, of Union, and Ella M. Merrifield, of Hope.
- May 11. Geo. L. Merrifield, of Hope, and Mattie F. Thomas, of Union.
- Aug. 1. Mortimer N. Vogler, of Salem, N. C., and Mrs. Martha A. Leach, of Hope.
- Nov. 6. Albert L. Esancy and Annie L. Fish, both of Hope.
- Nov. 12. Charles F. Simmons and Beatrice L. Rokes, both of Hope.
- Dec. 8. Alie F. Mink, of Hope, and Effie E. Robbins, of Appleton.
- Dec. 10. James A. Meservey, of Appleton, and Lizzie M. Holbrook, of Hope.

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- Jan. 15. Ferd L. Mansfield and Fannie Taylor, both of Hope.

LIST OF JURORS DRAWN DURING THE YEAR.

1888.

- Feb. 29. James P. Hobbs, Traverse.
- Aug. 18. S. L. Bills, Grand Juror ; C. Fred Taylor, Traverse Juror.
- Dec. 4. A. J. Pearse, Traverse.

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- Feb. 23. George Wellman, Traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. COLE,

Town Clerk.

Report of School Supervisors.

Mr. F. K. Allen was chosen supervisor of schools at the annual election in March and held the position until December, when he resigned, having removed to Camden. The office was vacant until January, when the selectmen appointed D. H. Mansfield to fill the office. The following report of the schools under his charge was submitted by Mr. Allen :

DISTRICT No. 1.

Spring term was taught by Mary Bills, of Hope. Although this was her first school she had fine success, the scholars showing great interest in their studies.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Spring and Fall terms were taught by Effie E. Robbins, of Appleton. Although quite a good scholar, she is not a successful teacher, failing in government and methods of teaching.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Spring term was taught by Alice Cole, of Hope. Had a successful school ; think she has the necessary qualifications for a good teacher.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Spring and Fall terms were taught by Adlie Bartlett, of Union, making six terms in this district ; had good order, and the scholars all seemed to work.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Spring term was taught by Fannie Taylor, of Hope ; had an excellent school, scholars making good progress. Fall term was taught by May Plum Tobin, of Camden. Owing to some dissatisfaction in regard to hiring teacher, there was not a large attendance ; otherwise, the school was satisfactory.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Spring term was taught by Arvilla Thorndike, of Searsmont. She is not a good teacher, failing in government and lacking in education. Fall term was taught by Florence Cole. Did not visit the school during term, but believe Miss

Cole to be a good teacher ; think they must have had a profitable school.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Spring term was taught by Gertrude Payson, of Hope ; had a very interesting school, showing what a good teacher can do for a school. Fall term was taught by Alice Hewett, of Hope ; did not visit school during term, but the report was satisfactory.

F. K. ALLEN,

Supervisor of Schools, Town of Hope.

Hope, Dec. 1, 1888.

The undersigned, having held the office of supervisor of schools since Jan. 14, 1889, herewith submits the following report of the schools visited by him.

The schools that I visited were all in operation when I took charge of the office, so that I can give only an imperfect report thereon. Jan. 14, 1889, I visited the school in district No. 1 and found the school in charge of Mr. E. M. Thompson of Union, whom I found to be well qualified in education, but was unable to form a decided opinion as to his abilities as a teacher. The schools in district No. 2, taught by W. B. Bowley, and in No. 3, taught by Frank J. Taylor, were closed sooner than I expected, so I did not reach them. In No. 4, the school under the charge of Miss Addie Bartlett of Union closed before I took charge of the office. In No. 5 I visited the school twice, and found Miss Addie Bartlett in charge. She has successfully taught the school in district No. 4 for the past two years, and achieved a high degree of success in this district. If possible an engagement should be made with her for the coming year. Near the close of school in district No. 6, I visited the school which was under the charge of Florence Cole, and found a very unsatisfactory state of affairs. In No. 7 I visited the school taught by A. J. Achorn twice, and found the progress of the scholars unsatisfactory.

So far as my knowledge goes, I cannot say that I believe the schools of the town to have been fully up to the standard which is desirable, and which I think might be reached. Permanence in school officials is desirable, as a continual change of teachers makes undesirable changes in methods.

When a school is under the charge of a successful teacher, strong efforts should be made to retain the services of that teacher for the next term. Agents should strive to get the very best teachers, and engage only those of known abilities. A working team never will do as well under a continual change of drivers, and similar conclusions are true in school affairs. But when teachers *are* engaged, and at work, the residents should not be too hasty in criticising them, but have malice toward none and charity for all.

I desire to urge upon parents the importance of giving some personal attention to the school which their children attend. Money is voted annually and spent, but what proportion of the parents in this town know from their own observation whether it is spent well or not? We hear, occasionally, a complaint that our schools are productive of but little good. Is it not pertinent to inquire whether those who complain have made any effort to learn whether they do good or not, and *what they have done* to render them more efficient? Parents are responsible to society and to their Creator, not only for the physical well being, but also for the intellectual and moral culture of their children. How, then, can they intrust them, day after day, and month after month, to the charge of a teacher with whom they are not acquainted, in an atmosphere which, for aught they know, may be full of influences that may tend to debase and ruin them? Look after your children; see whether they are using well the money you are spending for them. Do this, take a personal interest in your schools and support them liberally, and the future will be fruitful of rich and happy results.

Important changes in school affairs are now pending before the State Legislature, and if enacted will necessitate an expenditure of money in each district, and this matter should receive the attention of the town at the coming annual election.

The schoolhouse in district No. 4 was repaired in 1887, and that in No. 7 has been rebuilt the past year, so that the schoolhouses in town are all in good condition except in No. 6, and if that district neglects longer to repair the same, the town should attend to it.

D. H. MANSFIELD,
Supervisor of Schools.

Hope, March 1, 1889.

APPENDIX.

	G. M. Simmons	Wm. J. Taylor.	Geo. O. Wentworth.	-AGENTS- S. L. Bills.	John Wright.	J. P. Simmons.	C. E. Dunbar.
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Dist. 7
Whole number of scholars in district.	22	27	22	33	36	32	52
Wages of teacher per week, Spring term.	\$3 50	\$3 00	\$2 50	\$5 00	\$4 00	\$3 00	\$5 00
Wages of teacher per week, Fall term.	**	3 00	**	**	3 00	**	*
Wages of teacher per week, Winter term.	5 00	*	4 50	5 00	5 00	4 00	10 00
Length of school in weeks, Spring term.	8	7	8	8	8	8	7
Length of school in weeks, Fall term.		7			6		
Length of school in weeks, Winter term.	11		8	10	12	12	9
Whole number of scholars at school, Spring term.	9	16	12	24	17	20	28
Whole number of scholars at school, Fall term.		15			16		
Whole number of scholars at school, Winter term.	12		6	25	18	20	34
Average number of scholars at school, Spring term.	8	16	10	22	14	17	21
Average number of scholars at school, Fall term.		15			5		
Average number of scholars at school, Winter term.	11		5	22	15	18	30

*Register not returned.

**No Fall term.