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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF

# MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

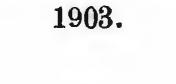
OF THE

# TOWN OF PERU,

## FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY

# 1903.

RUMFORD FALLS, ME. RUMFORD FALLS PUBLISHING CO.



# SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The selectmen of the town of Peru submit the following report for the year ending February, 1903.

#### VALUATION.

Resident real estate, Resident personal estate, Non-resident real estate, Non-resident personal estate,

Total valuation,

\$146,173 0054,857 00 28,045 00 4,470 00

\$233,545 00

#### APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

State tax,	\$ 628	27		
County tax,	378	07		
To defray town charges,	$1,\!250$	00		
Roads and bridges,	2,000	00		
Schools,	900	00		
School books,	75	00		
Repairs on school houses,	150	00		
Overlay,	<b>206</b>	88		
Total amt. of commitment,			\$5,588	22

Percentage of assessment .023 on the dollar. 214 polls at \$1.00 each.

#### TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

We have leased the farm and personal property thereon from Apr. 6th, 1902, for one year to A. B. McIntire. He is to support Lenora Knight. He is to leave the farm and personal property in as good condition as he received it.



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SCHEDULE OF STOCK, ETC., ON TOWN FARM.

2 cows.
12 hens.
100 lbs. pork.
3 tons hay.
Farming tools, household furniture, same as last year.

#### EXPENDITURES.

Paid Barrett & Kidder for grass seed, and hardware, for repairs about buildings, \$5 97
J. A. Putnam's saw bill, 16 00
H. O. Rowe for hauling lumber, 4 50
A. B. McIntire for repairs, 20 81

\$47 28

EXPENSES OF POOR NOT ON FARM.

Paid for support of F. J. Wing,	\$ 59 21	
for support of S. P. Wing,	$5 \ 00$	
for support and funeral charge	s of	
Wm. M. Knight,	$46 \ 43$	
for support of Benj. Lord,	$55 \ 00$	
for support of C. H. Wing,	172 92	
		\$338 56
Total,		\$385 84
Received from State on account of poo	r, \$ 77 22	
Due from State on account of poor,	$150 \ 70$	
Received from H.E. Knight account W	m.	
Knight,	$4 \ 30$	
	<u></u>	\$232 22
Total expense poor,		\$153 62



#### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

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Amount voted by town for roads and bridges, \$2,000 00 There has been expended previous to Mar. 3d, 1902, 279 32Expended by S. A. Getchell: April, \$116 40 May, 206 22June,  $700 \ 18$ July, 171 01 Aug. and Sept.,  $350 \ 13$ Nov., 134 24Dec., Jan. and Feb.,  $458 \ 06$ 

Total amount expended on roads and bridges,

\$2,415 56



# TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. S. Walker, Treasurer of Peru.

#### DR.

1902.

 Feb. 14,
 To amount due on C. L.

 Mathew's bills of 1901,
 \$3,497 95

 Tax deeds on hand,
 . 322 40

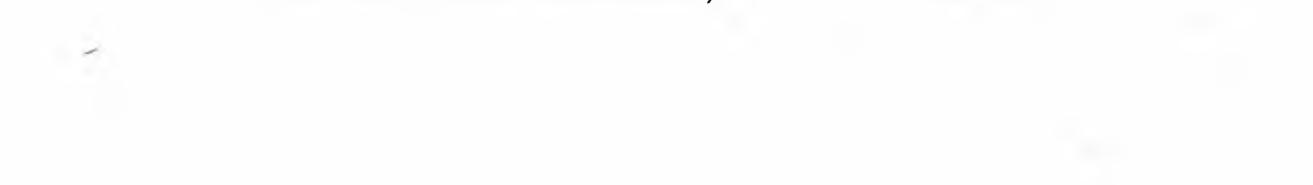
 Cash on hand,
 . 766 24

 ——— \$3,586 59

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1902.						
Mar. 5,	By amount of C. L. Ma	thew's				
	tax bills of 1901,	\$3,497	95			
	Tax deeds on hand,	323	40			
	Orders and receipts	turned				
	over,	428	10			
	Cash to balance,	337	14			
				\$3,586	59	
Geo. L. R	owe, Treasurer of Peru					
	·					
	DR.					
1902.						
Mar. 5,	To C. L. Matthews ta	x bill,				
	1901,	\$3,497	95			

Tax deeds on hand,32935Cash on hand,33714For rent of town hall,1200From town of Sumner,200



Mar.	5,	From State for poor,	\$ 6	54	47
		From State for dog license			
£		refunded,	4	15	04
Apr.	29,	J. A. Arnold's commitment			
		tax bills of 1902,	5,58	36	<b>22</b>
July	3,	Supplementary tax,		1	00
	21,	Supplementary tax,		1	00
		From Dixfield on account of			
		ferry boat,	6	23	61
		From H. E. Knight,		4	30
5		For rent of hall,	2	23	00
		For rent of hall,	1	10	00
		For rent of hall,		5	00
		Rec'd State School fund,	61	2	55
		Rec'd of W.S. Arnold dog			
		license,	7	76	00
		Rec'd from State on account			
1 c		of poor.	2	<u>80</u>	15

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1903.

 Feb. 13,
 By orders turned over,
 \$4,360
 82

 Receipts turned over,
 1,207
 36

 Tax deeds,
 212
 82

 Due on J. A.
 Arnold's

 bills of 1902,
 3,897
 20

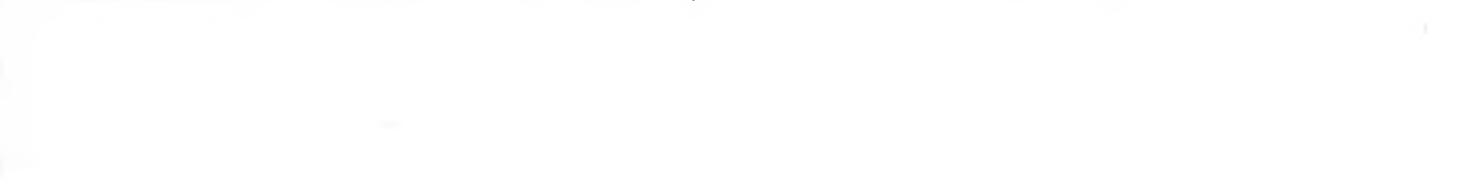
 Cash on hand to balance,
 1,076
 75

 ------\$ 10,754
 95

#### SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Amount raised for support of schools,\$90000Amount received from State,61255



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Interest on permanent school fund,	\$ 34	38		
Unexpended balance,	41	31		
		\$	1,588	24
EXPENDITURES.	e	-		
Teaching,	\$875	50		
Board,	408	00		
Fuel,	57	75		
Conveying,	209	00		
Janitors,	31	50		
			\$1,581	75
Unexpended balance,			\$6	49
ABATEMENTS.				
Abel A. Davis, real estate,	\$2	45		
John Lisey, poll and personal,	2	84		
Bernard Andrews, personal,	1	<b>20</b>		
			# <b>A</b>	

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\$6 49

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid one-half cost of ferry boat,	\$90	03	
One-half expense of running ferry,	9	14	
One-half cost surveyor on Hartford	L		
line,	6	00	
Cleaning town hall,	<b>2</b>	00	
Erecting guide board,	1	00	
Harriman order, by vote of town,	4	89	
W. G. McIntire for Delano's sleigh	,		
by vote of town,	10	00	
Blanks,	13	65	
Benj. Swasey, services/as justice,	2	72	
Cash paid out by selectmen,	6	42	
J. J. Calhoun for disinfecting Perley	7		
and Melvin Knox's houses,	11	00	
J. J. Calhoun for disinfecting Ripley	7		
and Melvin Knox's houses,	7	00	
Estimated cost of printing this report	, 10	00	

173 85

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## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Paid W. S. Arnold, town clerk,	\$12	07
Geo. L. Rowe, treasurer,	35	00
A.S.Holman, selectman and assessor,	61	00
Howard Turner, selectman and		
assessor,	38	80
R. S. Tracy, selectman and assessor,	37	25
P. G. Barrett, supt. of schools,	80	00
O. O. Tracy, board of health,	6	50
J. P. York, board of health,	<b>2</b>	00
Due M. Hall for year's services on board		
of health, account not received,		
J. A. Arnold, collector for 1902,	83	<b>82</b>

### CURRENT EXPENSES.

Evnance of noor for 1009

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\$ 152 69

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Expense of poor for 1902,	\$ 193	02
Expended for roads and bridges,	$2,\!415$	56
Orders of abatement,	6	49
Incidental expenses,	173	85
Town officers' bills,	356	44
Interest on permanent school fund,	34	38
Interest accrued during the year,	72	31
Repairs on schoolhouses,	51	72
School books,	97	62

## \$3,361 99

\$356 44

#### RECEIPTS.

Amount voted to defray town charges, \$	1,250	00
Roads and bridges,	2,000	00
Repairs on schoolhouses,	150	00
School books,	75	00
Fractional overlay,	206	88
Rec'd for rent of town hall,	<b>28</b>	00
Rec'd from state, dog license refunded,	45	04

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Due from H.E. Stillman for Waite schoolhouse, \$30 00

\$3,784 92

# Balance in favor of 1902, \$422 93

#### FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN.

#### LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders bearing interest,\$1,80797Interest due Feb. 14, 1903,11081Outstanding orders not on interest,1,09069Due the schools,649Estimated cost of printing reports,1000

\$3,025 96

#### ASSETS.

In hands of treasurer, Town farm and personal property, Due from State for poor, Due from State for pensions,  $72 \ 00$  $----- $5,984 \ 47$ 

Assets more than liabilities,

\$2,958 51

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. HOLMAN, HOWARD TURNER, R. S. TRACY, Selectmen of Peru.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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I hereby submit my report for the year ending Feb. 18, 1903.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	\$ 41 31
Appropriated,	900 00
Amount from State,	612 55
Interest on School Fund.	$34 \ 38$

\$1,588 24

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Teachers' wages, Teachers' board, Conveying pupils,	\$875 408 209	00	1	
Janitors,	31	50		
Fuel,	57	75		
		\$	1,581	75
Balance unexpended,			\$6	49
TEXT BOOK	ACCOUNT.			
Balance from last year,	\$55	05		
Appropriated,	75	00		
			\$130	05
Disbursements,			97	62
Balance unexpended,			\$32	43

#### REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Balance from last year,	\$ 27 36		
Appropriated,	$150 \ 00$		
		\$177	36
Disbursements,		51	82
Balance unexpended,		\$125	54

#### REPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Three terms of nine weeks each.

EAST.—Spring, Sarah K. Larrabee, teacher. Wages, \$4.00; board, \$2.50. Fall, Julia Jones, teacher. Wages, \$4.00; board, \$2.00. Winter, Harriet Silver, teacher, Wages, \$4.50; board, \$2.00.

POND.—Spring, Edna M. Fuller, teacher. Wages, \$3.50; board, \$2.50. Fall, Harriet Silver, teacher. Wages, \$4.00; board, \$2.50. Winter, Ella A. Newell, teacher. Wages, \$4.00; board, \$2.50.

CENTER.—Spring, Ina A. McIntire, teacher. Wages, \$4.00; board, \$2.00. Fall and winter, Ada E. Gerrish, teacher. Wages, \$5.00; board, \$2.00.

DICKVALE.--Spring, Ada E. Gerrish, teacher. Wages, \$6.50; board, \$1.50. Fall and winter, Annie J. Tucker, teacher. Wages, \$6.00 and \$7.00; board, \$2.50.

WEST.—Spring, A. K. Baldwin, teacher. Wages, \$6.00; board, \$2.00. Fall and winter, Miss N. A. Kingsbury, teacher. Wages, \$7.00 and \$7.50; board, \$2.50 and \$2.75.

RIDGE.—Spring, F. L. Phinney, teacher. Wages, \$3.50; board, \$2.00. Fall and winter, Ethel Knox, teacher. Wages, \$3.25 and \$3.75; board, \$1.75.

KNOX.—The spring term was closed after being in session two weeks on account of scarlet fever. The fall term of twelve weeks and winter term of nine weeks was under the instruction of Ethel J. Bradbury. Wages, \$3.00 and \$4.00; board, \$2.50 and \$2.00.

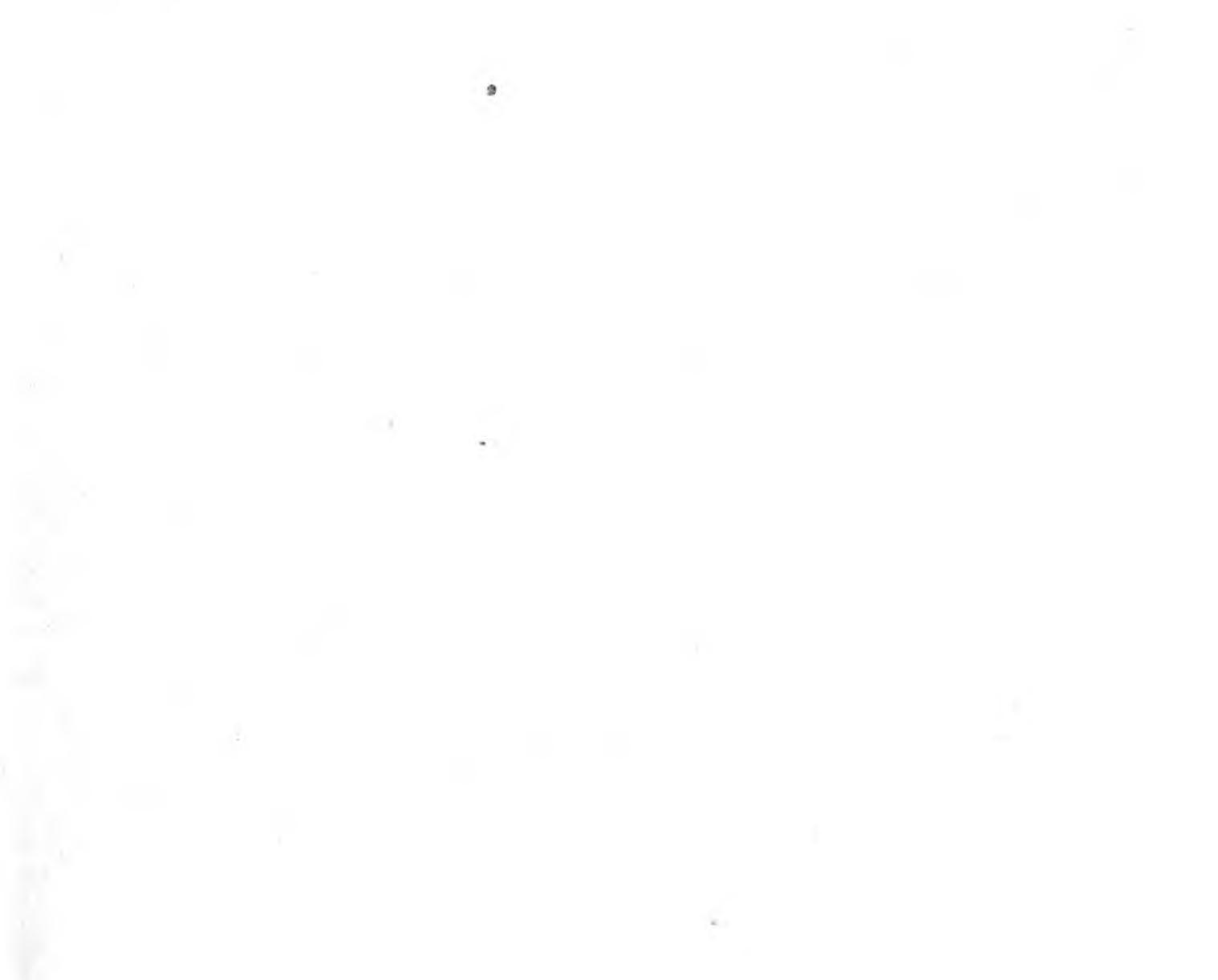


The Ridge school did not have an average attendance of eight pupils for the entire year.

I would call your attention to the remarks of your school committee which follow this report, and trust you may be prepared to act intelligently on this matter at the annual town meeting.

P. G. BARRETT,

Superintendent.





# REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

#### To the Voters of the Town of Peru:

There is one matter of especial interest to you, to which your school committee desire to call your attention, and that is the question of schooling the scholars of the Ridge and Waite districts, also the condition of the Knox schoolhouse.

As the Ridge school is suspended by law, the average attendance the past year, being less than eight, some change must be made. Either the scholars there must be conveyed to some other district, or a union of two or more districts made and a building erected to provide for them.

It has been suggested that a building be placed near the house of Oscar DeLano. By so doing, it will be easily seen that such a location would do away with the transportation of scholars in the Waite, as well as in the Ridge districts.

Also such a location would convene over one-half of the Knox school making a union school of twenty or more scholars, leaving about seven scholars there to be provided for by conveyance, to this union or some other district. The Knox schoolhouse is not in a condition to be used and needs to be rebuilt throughout, or a new building erected there before starting another term of school in that district. Hence it appears necessary to your committee, that you take some action at the coming town meeting and decide what you will do to provide for the above conditions.

Respectfully,

N. B. WOODSUM, ) School Committee of H. R. ROBINSON, S Town of Peru.

