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Forty-Ninth Annual Report

—OF THE—

Selectmen, Auditor

—AND—

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,

—OF THE—

TOWN of SEARSPORT,

—FOR THE—

MUNICIPAL YEAR 1893.



NEWELL WHITE, PRINTER, SEARSPORT, ME.

THE WARRANT.

To E. S. CYPHERS, a constable of the town of Searsport, in the County of Waldo, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Searsport, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on Monday, the 19th day of March, instant, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:—

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- 2nd. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3rd. To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen as printed.
- 4th. To see if the town will accept the report of the Auditor of Town Accounts as printed.
- 5th. To see if the town will accept the report of the Supervisor of Schools as printed.
- 6th. To choose three or more Selectmen.
- 7th. To choose Assessors of Taxes.
- 8th. To choose Overseers of the Poor.
- 9th. To choose a Town Agent.
- 10th. To choose a Town Treasurer.
- 11th. To choose an Auditor of Town Accounts.
- 12th. To choose Constables.
- 13th. To choose Highway Surveyors or Road Commissioners.
- 14th. To choose Surveyors of Sawed Lumber.
- 15th. To choose Surveyors of Wood and Bark.
- 16th. To choose Surveyors of Spars and Timber.
- 17th. To choose Fire Wards,
- 18th. To choose Fence Viewers.
- 19th. To choose a Pound Keeper.

- 20th. To choose Sealers of Weights and Measures.
- 21st. To choose a Sealer of Leather.
- 22nd. To choose Tythingmen.
- 23rd. To choose Viewers and Cullers of Hoops and Staves.
- 24th. To see if the town will continue the Free High School, and how much money it will raise therefor.
- 25th. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of schools.
- 26th. To see how much money the town will raise for Text Books for town schools.
- 27th. To choose a Superintending School Committee consisting of three or more.
- 28th. To see if the town will authorize the Superintending School Committee to choose a Superintendent of Schools outside of their own number if they so desire.
- 29th. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the Poor, and other town expenses.
- 30th. To see how much money the town will raise to repair the Highways, and whether in labor or money; and if in labor how much per hour for men, oxen and horses.
- 31st. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to pay no bills against the town so long as the parties are indebted to the town for taxes.
- 32nd. To see how much money the town will raise to buy books for the Sears Library.
- 33rd. To see if the town will raise \$50 for a Memorial Service.
- 34th. To hear the report of the Fire Department.
- 35th. To see if the town will vote to pay members of the Engine Company and Fire Wards \$3 each, not to exceed sixty-three members; said money being payable to the Clerk of the En-

gine Company in a gross sum on or before January 1, 1895.

- 36th. To see how much discount the town will allow to those who pay their taxes on or before the first day of July, next; and how much to those who pay on or before the first day of January, 1895.
- 37th. To see what discount the town will allow to those who pay their highway taxes on or before the first day of June, next, in cash to the Highway Surveyors or Town Treasurer.
- 38th. To see how much money the town will raise to pay discount on taxes.
- 39th. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to lay out a road from Howard Street to Elm Street, a distance of about fifty feet.
- 40th. To see how much money the town will pay the School Supervisor or Superintendent per day of actual service.
- 41st. In case that Williston Grinnell rebuild the Hotel building in this town the coming season, to cost not less than nine thousand dollars, to see if the town will instruct the Assessors to abate the taxes on the same for a period of ten years.
- 42nd. To see if the town will build a three plank sidewalk from L. W. Wentworth's to A. E. Trundy's on Mt. Ephraim Street, by the Cemetery, and how much money the town will raise therefor.
- 43rd. To see if the town will vote to purchase a new Fire Engine for extinguishing fires, and how much money it will raise therefor.
- 44th. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to build a foot bridge from the foot of Norris Street to a point on the shore north of the present bridge, being about 200 feet in

length, and how much money the town will raise therefor.

- 45th. To see if the town will vote to loan its credit to the amount of five thousand dollars for the purchase of the John P. Nichols estate for the purpose of establishing a State Soldiers' Home.
- 46th. To see how much money the town will raise for breaking roads the past winter.
- 47th. To choose a Collector of Taxes.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at their office, on Saturday, the 17th instant, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Searsport, this 10th day of March, A. D. 1894.

N. ROULSTON, }
 E. W. ROBBINS, } Selectmen
 J. A. COLSON, } of
 } ' Searsport.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS.

Valuation of Real Estate,	\$430,716
Valuation of Personal Estate,	<u>356,344</u>
Total,	\$787,060

Number of Polls,	373.
Rate of Taxation,	.0158.

The following amounts were assessed on the polls and estates of resident proprietors, and on the estates of non-resident proprietors, in the town of Searsport, for the year 1893, to be collected in cash by the collector of said town, for the following purposes, viz.:

Support of Common Schools,	\$2000.00
Support of a Free High School,	500.00
Support of Poor, and other town expenses,	2000.00
Repair of the highways,	2000.00
Building new sidewalk on Mt. Ephraim road,	50.00
Building a sewer through Merithew Lane,	100.00
Building a sewer through Nichols Street,	100.00
Breaking roads the past winter,	1000.00
Purchase of School Books,	175.00
Memorial Service,	50.00
Discount on Taxes,	<u>1000.00</u>
	\$8975.00
County Tax,	\$1422.42
State Tax,	2521.75
Overlay,	<u>635.67</u>
	\$13554.84
Supplemental Tax,	<u>12.52</u>
	\$13567.36

Assessed as follows: on		
Real Estate, valued at \$430,716, at .0158,		\$6805.31
Personal Estate, valued at \$356,344, at .0158,		5630.24
373 Polls,	at \$3,	1119.00
Fractions.		29
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		\$13554.84
Supplemental Tax,		12.52
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		\$13567.36

Record of Scholars and Distribution of School Funds for 1893.

Amount raised for Common Schools,		\$2000.00
“ “ for a Free High School,		500.00
Mill Tax and School Fund from State for 1892,		1132.91
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		\$3632.91

Distributed as follows:

District No.	1.	60	Scholars,	\$396.80
“	2.	82	“	549.62
Union	3.	} 180	“	1270.39
District, “	4.			
	5.			
District No.	6.	9	“	62.52
“	7.	27	“	207.56
“	8.	8	“	208.40
“	9.	37	“	257.02
“	10.	15	“	104.20
“	11.	3	“	20.84
“	12.	6	“	41.68
No District,		2	“	13.88
Free High School,				500.00
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		451	Scholars,	\$3632.91

School District Accounts.

No. of District.	Underdrawn last year.	Overdrawn last year.	School Fund.	Bills Paid.	Balance underdr'n	Balance overdr'n.
1	143.17		396.80	496.99	42.98	
2		28.89	549.62	542.01		21.28
3	322.64		1270.39	1540.28	52.75	
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5						
6	2.08		62.52	64.00	.60	
7	11.33		207.56	219.69		.80
8	1.52		208.40	222.93		13.01
9	131.52		257.02	339.93	48.61	
10	11.95		104.20	115.25	.90	
11	2.74		20.84	10.00	13.58	
12	.71		41.68	42.00	.39	
Individual Scholars. Free High School.			13.88	6.94	6.94	
			500.00	500.00		
					166.75	35.09
					35.09	

Due the several districts, 131.66

In addition to the above there was paid into the treasury by James Pattee, to the credit of Dist. No. 1, for insurance on school house damaged by fire, 20.00

Making the total amount due the several districts, \$151.66

Bills Allowed by Selectmen and paid by their Orders on Town Treasurer.

COMMON SCHOOLS AND FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Dist. No. 1. Amt. of bills paid by order Agt. \$496.99

Dist. No.	2.	Amt. of bills paid by order	Agt.	542.01
"	3.	}	" " " " " "	" 1540.28
Union	4.			
District,	5.			
Dist. No.	6.	"	"	64.00
"	7.	"	"	219.69
"	8.	"	"	222.93
"	9.	"	"	339.93
"	10.	"	"	115.25
"	11.	"	"	Super. 10.00
"	12.	"	"	Agent 42.00
Individual Scholars. Amount paid Levi D. George for one scholar,				6.94
Free High School. Amount of bills paid by order of Supervisor,				500.00
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				\$4100.02

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Expended for labor and material and winter breaking in the several districts, as follows:

No. of Dist.	Labor & Material.	Breaking.	Total.
1	\$161.86	\$27.59	\$189.45
2	57.15	12.58	69.73
3	103.23	66.51	169.74
4	199.43	41.33	240.76
5	166.68	33.65	200.33
6	38.00	14.50	52.50
7	84.15	17.77	101.92
8	34.24	11.04	45.28
9	47.70	20.80	68.50
10	73.90	31.15	105.05
11	38.35	76.55	114.90
12	62.65	42.45	105.10
13	20.31	19.87	40.18

14	43.70	35.43	79.13
15	25.44	50.91	76.35
16	53.55	39.75	93.30
17	68.55	46.44	114.99
18	69.51	55.71	125.22
19	62.00	19.66	81.66
20	48.05	22.50	70.55
21	138.80	33.30	172.10
22	74.25	28.65	102.90
23	57.05	12.82	69.87

	<u>\$1728.55</u>	<u>\$760.96</u>	<u>\$2489.51</u>
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Levi Trundy for plank and lumber,	178.50
Nickerson & Bailey for sundry sawing,	13.50
T. T. Merrill & Son for sawing sleepers,	3.00
J. H. Lane for wharfage on plank,	.80
C. O. Sawyer & Co., for nails,	5.14

Total for highways,	<u>\$2690.45</u>
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NEW SIDEWALKS.

Lumber, sleepers and nails,	\$38.50
A. J. Mitchell and E. A. Gross for labor,	10.20
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	\$48.70

NICHOLS STREET SEWER.

J. W. Brock for surveying,	\$ 2.00
F. I. Mortland for logs and covering,	18.00
Levi Trundy for plank,	25.00
Sundry persons for labor,	83.20
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	\$128.20

MERITHEW LANE SEWER.

F. I. Mortland for lumber and labor,	\$109.50
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STREET LIGHTS.

B. F. Young for lighting and care of lamps,	13.17
Giles Grant, for lighting and care of lamps,	22.50
M. F. Whitcomb for lighting and care of lamps,	27.50
John Sullivan for work on lamp posts,	2.25
M. F. Whitcomb for repairs and moving lamp posts,	2.50
F. A. Curtis for oil and matches,	15.12
C. O. Sawyer & Co. for chimneys, wicks, etc.,	9.89
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INCIDENTALS.

Newell White for printing town report,	21.00
“ “ blanks, letter heads, etc.,	8.60
Stevens & Jones for books for town officers,	8.00
N. Roulston for stamps, express, etc.,	5.65
J. A. Colson “ “ “ “	4.75
J. L. Hamilton for posting warrants for March meeting,	3.00
M. F. Whitcomb for services as truant officer for 1892-93,	20.00
M. F. Whitcomb for services as special constable to look after dogs,	4.25
C. E. Adams for services as election clerk in 1892,	4.00
J. H. Kneeland for services as election clerk in 1892,	4.00
C. H. Monroe for services as policeman night of July 3,	2.00

J. L. Hamilton for same,	2.00
Henry Whitcomb for same,	2.00
W. N. West for same,	2.00
J. F. Bickmore for same,	2.00
W. V. Nichols for rent of old office,	20.00
Geo. F. Smith for rent of office,	60.00
Dr. E. W. Gould for return of births and deaths, 1892,	.75
Dr. A. E. Baker for return of births and deaths,	2.50
Dr. C. H. Leverton for return of births and deaths,	1.75
J. H. Sullivan for registering vital sta- tistics,	16.40
J. A. Colson for taking military census,	10.00
Frank Berry per vote of town for fur- niture destroyed in 1891,	20.00
Sundry persons for work on Town and Engine houses,	12.79
A. J. Nickerson for tubs etc. for reser- voirs,	.63
Mathews Bros. for book case for Super- visor,	18.80
H. F. Maddocks for record book for school teachers,	6.00
Clement & Adams for advertising in Journal for Supervisor of Schools,	1.25
C. O. Sawyer & Co. for twine and paper for Supervisor,	.13
N. C. Shute for teams for J. A. Colson to visit schools,	6.75
Sundry persons for wood for office,	8.75
Sundry persons for repairs on road ma- chine,	16.40
J. S. Nickerson for use of watering trough,	3.00
E. W. Seavey " " "	3.00

A. B. West for use of watering trough,	3.00
C. O. Fernald " " "	3.00
J. H. Pendleton " " "	3.00
Dr. Durgin for services as secretary of Board of Health from May, '92 to May '93,	5.00
Newell Shute for team to Wm. Bassick's,	.50
Wm. Bassick for sheep killed by dogs,	12.00
W. L. Skinner " " "	3.00
Chas. A. Towers for damage on horse,	15.00
Henry Whitcomb for fence rock and moving lamp post,	1.75
J. H. Kneeland in settlement of taxes of 1890,	22.71
	<hr/> \$371.11

SEARS LIBRARY.

Ph. Pendleton for rent of room to March 1, 1893,	50.00
Ada E. Ridley for services as Librarian to April 4, 1893,	24.00
Ada E. Ridley for repairing books,	4.00
D. Bugbee & Co., for binding old books,	31.32
	<hr/> \$110.32

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Sundry firms for school books for the use of scholars in the public schools as per bills on file,	225.89
J. W. Brock for expressage on books,	6.75
W. W. Austin, " "	1.19
J. A. Colson, " "	3.31
	<hr/> \$237.14

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

E. J. Wentworth, Q. M. of Freeman McGilvery Post, as per bill rendered,	\$50.00
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INTEREST.

Searsport National Bank for int. on town orders,	\$4.51
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DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

J. H. Kneeland, Coll., for disct. to July 1, 1893,	\$1172.56
J. H. Kneeland, Coll., for disct. to Jan. 1 1894,	<u>28.86</u> \$1201.42

ABATEMENTS OF TAXES.

J. C. Nickels Heirs on tax of 1893,	\$.99
F. W. Treat on tax of 1893,	19.75
E. B. Sheldon, Treas. for 1891, on non- resident taxes of 1886-7-8-9-90,	21.92
C. O. Sawyer, Treas., on non-resident taxes of 1892,	1.80
J. H. Kneeland, Coll., on taxes of 1891,	47.63
“ “ “ 1892,	110.30
“ “ “ 1893,	<u>94.45</u>
	\$296.84

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

C. O. Sawyer, Clerk of Engine Co., pay roll for sixty-three mem- bers at \$3,	\$189.00
C. O. Sawyer, Clerk, for supplies,	63.13
E. A. Buker for supplies,	6.25

F. N. Treat for setting glass in Engine House,	\$1.00
W. O. & C. Barney for labor on Engine, etc.,	4.50
T. H. Decrow for hauling Engine to Larrabee and Nichols fires,	3.50
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	\$267.38

INSANITY.

Sundry persons for care of Fred Mathews and expense of getting him to Hospital,	43.25
For support of Fred A. Mathews at Hospital,	38.21
For support of James C. Hanson at Hospital,	65.28
For support of Addison Warren at Hospital,	144.66
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	\$291.40

TOWN FARM.

Mark Ward for care and board of Samuel Auspland to Apr. 9, 1893,	\$33.50
Mark Ward for board and care of L. Gray to Apr. 3, 1893,	39.35
Mark Ward for hauling and spreading manure in spring of 1893,	30.00
A. J. Nickerson for grass seed,	16.87
J. H. Lane for coal delivered Mark Ward,	7.50
C. M. Ward for seeding land,	5.00
“ for repairs on mowing machine,	1.50
C. M. Ward 5 horse rake teeth,	2.00

J. B. Ames for repairs on horse rake,	\$1.50
C. O. Sawyer & Co. for nails,	.45
L. A. Knowlton for Buckeye mower,	47.00
C. M. Ward for board and care of S. Auspland,	31.80
W. M. Parse for shoes for S. Auspland,	1.25
Clement & Adams for clothes for S. Auspland,	3.25
B. O. & L. M. Sargent for casket and robe for L. Gray,	25.00
John Sullivan for digging grave for L. Gray,	4.00
C. M. Ward for putting up tramps,	5.00
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	\$254.97

TOWN'S POOR NOT ON FARM.

Dr. Hopkins for services as Town Physician,	\$25.00
A. J. Nickerson for meal for Zetham Berry,	1.24
W. M. Parse for boots etc. for Zetham Berry,	2.65
A. E. Nickerson & Co. for hay for Zetham Berry,	4.71
B. O. & L. M. Sargent for burial ex- penses of child of Isaac Closson,	7.90
B. O. & L. M. Sargent for supplies to Courtney B. Ellis,	54.20
Levi Trundy for lumber for E. L. Em- erson,	16.12
D. Sullivan for repairing boots for Frank Sargent,	.90
J. H. Lane for coal for Frank Sargent,	6.50
W. E. Closson for supplies for Frank Sargent,	34.00
B. O. & L. M. Sargent for supplies for	

Frank Sargent,	\$23.00
George Carlon for clothes for E. Smith,	5.60

\$181.82

TOWN OFFICERS.

E. J. Wentworth for services as Moderator, 1891,	\$ 5.00
C. E. Adams for services as Auditor, 1892,	6.00
J. W. Brock for balance due for services as Supervisor in 1892,	62.43
L. G. Paine for services as Supervisor express, postage, etc.,	78.62
J. A. Colson for services as Supervisor,	25.00
F. H. Park for services as Moderator,	5.00
J. H. Sullivan for services as Clerk,	25.00
C. O. Sawyer for services as Treasurer,	60.00
N. Roulston for services as Assessor, &c.	195.00
E. W. Robbins " " "	80.00
J. A. Colson " " "	100.00
J. H. Kneeland for balance of com. for collecting taxes of 1890,	62.84
J. H. Kneeland for com. in part for collecting taxes of 1893,	175.00

\$879.89

Total of bills allowed and paid, \$11316.60

Inventory of Stock, Produce, &c. on the Town Farm March 1, 1894.

3 tons straw, -	25.00
50 bushels of oats.	25.00
1 bbl. of vinegar,	5.00

10 cows,	\$300.00
1 yearling hiefer,	10.00
2 sows,	14.00
2 shoats,	10.00
40 hens,	12.00
12 tons hay,	150.00
1 new mowing machine,	45.00
1 horse rake,	10.00
1 disc harrow.	20.00
1 market wagon,	15.00
1 horse fork and fall,	4.00
1 horse sled,	12.00
1 horse cart,	25.00
Other farming tools,	12.00
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	\$694.00

NAME OF PERSON SUPPORTED ON THE FARM.

Fred Carr.

Report of J. H. Kneeland, Collector of Taxes.

Balance due the town March 1, 1893,	\$1567.95
Amount fo town assessment for 1893,	8975.00
“ “ County tax “ “	1422.42
“ “ State tax “ “	2521.75
“ “ overlay “ “	635.67
“ “ supplemental tax “ “	12.52
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	\$15135.31
Amount paid C. O. Sawyer, Treasurer,	13396.96
Balance due the town March 1, 1894,	<hr/>
	\$1738.35

This balance consists of the following
uncollected taxes:—

Uncollected taxes of 1891,	\$ 158.36
“ “ “ 1892,	409.50

Uncollected taxes of 1893,	\$1170.49
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	\$1738.35

Report of E. B. Sheldon, Treasurer for 1891.

Balance due the town March 1, 1893,	\$171.28
Paid C. O. Sawyer, Treasurer,	109.04
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Balance due the town March 1, 1894, consisting of non-resident tax,	\$62.24

Report of C. C. Hamilton, Treasurer for 1892.

Balance due the town March 1, 1893,	\$347.21
Paid C. O. Sawyer, Treasurer,	275.46
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Balance due the town March 1, 1894, consist- ing of non-resident tax,	\$71.75

Report of C. O. Sawyer, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

E. B. Sheldon, Treasurer for 1891,	\$ 109.04
C. C. Hamilton, " " 1892,	275.46
J. H. Kneeland. Collector for 1890,	87.73
" " " 1891,	180.87
" " " 1892,	731.49
" " " 1893,	12396.87
James Pattee for insurance on school house No., 1,	20.00
Mark Ward for rent of town farm to April 1, 1893,	50.00
C. M. Ward for rent " " to Oct. 10, 1893	52.00
J. F. Closson for rent of Pest House,	14.20
J. H. Sullivan for dog license	71.00

Town of Hermon for support of R. M. Young in	1892,	4.91
State for Mill Tax and School fund for 1893		1100.62
“ R. R. and Telegraph Scrip “		53.93
“ Free High School “ “		250.00
“ State Pension “ “		132.00
“ Damages done by dogs “		15.00
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		\$15545.12

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Town Orders of 1863,	\$11316.60
“ County Tax “	1422.42
“ State Tax “	2521.75
“ “ Pensions “	132.00
“ State Treasurer amount of dog licenses,	71.00
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	\$15463.77
Balance due the town March 1, 1893,	\$81.35
consisting of cash,	51.87
and non-resident taxes of 1892,	29.48
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	\$81.35

Recapitulation.

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1894.
ASSETS.

Due from J. H. Kneeland, Collector of Taxes,	\$1738.35
(Less about \$100 due him for collecting.)	
“ E. B. Sheldon, Treasurer for 1891,	62.24
“ C. C. Hamilton, “ 1892,	71.75
“ C. O. Sawyer, “ 1893,	81.35
“ C. M. Ward for rent of Town farm to Jan’y 10, 1894	26.00
“ the town of Hermon for support of	

R. M. Young,	4.32
Due from the State balance on dog licenses	63.42
Pest house and lot,	300.00
Stock, produce. etc., on Town Farm, per inventory,	694.00
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	\$3041.43

LIABILITIES.

Amount due the several school districts,	\$ 151.66
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Balance of assets over liabilities,	\$2889.77

We would respectfully recommend that the town raise for the ensuing year—for schools, \$2000; for a Free High School, \$500; for the poor and other town expenses, \$2000; for the highways, \$2000 in money.

Respectfully submstted,

N. ROULSTON,	}	Selectmen of Searsport.
E. W. ROBBINS,		
J. A. COLSON,		

I have examined the foregoing accounts and vouchers for the same, recast the bills, and find all correct, and believe the forefioing to represent the true financial condition of the town at the present time.

C. E. ADAMS,

Auditor of Town Accounts.

REPORT
—OF THE—
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS
—OF THE—
TOWN OF SEARSPORT,
For the year ending March, 1894.

The school year began with very full attendance in most of the schools and the number was well maintained throughout the year. The general work was excellent and perfect harmony existed between teachers and scholars, almost without exception.

There was a very industrious and well behaved school at Dist. No. 1, and Miss Marden, who had charge for the spring and fall terms, is a thorough teacher, a perfect disciplinarian and a conscientious worker, and the school showed excellent progress under her direction. The District put a new floor and new folding desks into the school-house at its own expense during the year, making a very pleasant and well furnished room. The building narrowly escaped being burned in the spring. The roof caught fire from the grove behind the school-house but the flames were extinguished and the damage was repaired, so that the school was running as usual the next morning.

The schools at Dist. No. 2 began the year with a very full school in the lower grade and a very small school above, but in the fall term there were several new scholars and a class was promoted from the lower school, so the scholars were more evenly divided. The upper school was badly classified owing to the diversity of natural talents and application to their studies of the scholars. Mrs. Randell is a thorough teacher and hard worker and most of her scholars attained the high standard of excellence that she inspired them to work for. The lower school is just the right size for good work and the scholars are so nearly the same age that classification is easy, and with Miss Towle in charge everything went like clock work.

The Union District schools were very satisfactory and with the exception of the Intermediate grade the numbers were large. Mr. Austin has a great deal of talent and is perfectly familiar with modern methods of teaching. He did not maintain the order in school which seems necessary for the best results, but the scholars who went to school with right ideas made excellent progress. The course of study was changed at the beginning of the year with reference to better work and a higher standard of requirements for graduation. There was a very bright and interesting school in the Grammar grade and Miss Mortland handled the work with her usual tact and vigor. The Intermediate school was very small at the beginning of the year, and although two small classes were promoted from the primary grade the school was altogether too small. Miss Whittum's methods are excellent and the scholars

made progress enough to make up for their small numbers. This school has been doing systematic work in music under Miss Whittum's direction using Masons 2d Music Reader. Most of the scholars in town take an interest in singing and it would be a great advantage to them if there could be some regular system of musical instruction introduced in every school. The work of the Primary school was excellent and Miss Runnells certainly understands how to direct the studies of young scholars. The schools of this district, including the high school, gave an entertainment at the close of the spring term which was in every way creditable to teachers and scholars, and the exhibition at the end of the fall term was also a perfect success.

The scholars of D. st. No. 6 were brought to the Union District schools as last year, and the arrangement has given mutual satisfaction.

The school at Dist. No. 7 was under Mrs. Perkins for the spring term. It is second nature for Mrs. Perkins to teach and the scholars couldn't help learning. Miss Kneeland took the school in the fall and put all her energy into the work. She has the faculty of getting a large amount of work out of her scholars by leading but never carrying them. This school house narrowly escaped the the spring forest fires.

The school at Dist. No. 8 did good work under Mrs. Nichols during the spring and fall terms and the scholars always seemed busy and orderly. Mr. Nickerson took the school for the winter term.

There is a bright set of scholars at Dist. No. 9 and with Mrs. Hill in the spring and Mrs. Phillips in the fall, they showed marked progress.

The school at Dist. No. 10 was very small and had only two terms, Mrs. Phillips taught the spring term. She is very successful in keeping her scholars at work all the time. Mr. Marden taught the winter term again and seemed to be doing well.

There has been no school in Dist. No. 11 and the scholars in Dist. No. 12 go to school across the Belfast line.

The summary at the end of this report gives full information in regard to teachers, agents, length of terms and number of scholars, and the selectmen's report gives the disbursement of school money.

The foregoing report refers to that part of the year before the twentieth of November 1893, at which time circumstances prevented my carrying the work further.

Respectfully submitted,

L. G. Paine.

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

For the year 1893-4.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

The winter term was taught by Mr. Fred M. Nickerson, an experienced teacher, a thorough disciplinarian, and at the same time having a genial way of getting along with the pupils, so that they all liked him. They made good proficiency in their studies, and I should judge that the term was a pleasant and profitable one.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

The upper school was taught by Miss Kate C. Towle, with her usual good success. The discipline was good, the pupils interested and enthusiastic in their studies, and the exercises interesting and profitable. The lower school was taught by Miss Desire E. Nickels, a teacher of no previous experience, but who possesses the characteristics of a successful teacher, having

a good range of scholarship, and tact in managing a school, and being an earnest and enthusiastic worker. She soon gained the affection of her pupils and they made good progress under her instruction,

UNION DISTRICT.

There has been no change of teachers in this district during the year. In the high school Mr. Austin devoted much pains to the improvement of his pupils in expression and the cultivation of their vocal powers. He also devoted half an hour per day to a lecture on the current topics of the day and the doings of congress. He is a fine scholar and interested his pupils in their studies, and spared no pains in instructing them, and towards the middle of the term I noticed a marked improvement in order and discipline; though when I compare this school with some I have visited in Massachusetts, I can see that there is still room for improvement in this direction. At the close of the term a successful exhibition was given.

In regard to the other schools I can say but little except to heartily endorse the report of Mr. Paine, my predecessor. Miss Mortland, Miss Whitum and Miss Runnells need no special eulogium from me. I enjoyed visiting their schools and noting the interest and progress of their pupils.

DISTRICT No. 6.

There was no school in this district, the scholars being conveyed to Union District.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Miss Katherine Kneeland taught the winter term with the same good success as during the fall term. I cordially endorse Mr. Paine's statement concerning her merits as a teacher.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Mr. Fred M. Nickerson taught the winter term with, I should judge, his usual good success. I was unable to visit this school at the close of the term on account of sickness, but I heard only good accounts of it. Mr. Nickerson while a good disciplinarian and a thorough instructor, has a happy faculty of making everything pleasant in the school room.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Mr. Albert T. Nickerson, a young and inexperienced teacher taught the winter term with a good degree of success, and so far as I could learn gave general satisfaction.

There was no winter term in Nos. 10 and 11, and the school in No. 12 was under the charge of the Belfast officials.

Appropriations recommended. For Common Schools \$2000, for Free High School \$500, for School Books \$175.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Colson.

SUMMARY.

DISTRICT No. 1. Spring term. Total No. scholars, 60; teacher, Miss Hattie K. Marden; No. weeks, 10; total attendance, 35; average 31. Fall term. Teacher, Miss Hattie K. Marden; No. weeks, 10; total attendance, 30; average, 27. Winter term. Teacher, Fred M. Nickerson; No. weeks, 10; total at. 32; av. 30. L. M. Kneeland, agent.

DISTRICT No. 2. Total No. scholars, 82. Spring term. Teacher, Mrs. Orië E. Randell; No. weeks, 10; total at. 16; av. 14. Fall term. Teacher, Mrs. Orrie E. Randell; No. weeks, 9; total at. 22; av. 20. Winter term. Teacher, Miss Kate C. Towle; No. weeks, 9; total at. 24; av. 22. Eph. Cyphers, agent. Spring term. Teacher, Miss Kate C. Towle; No. weeks, 10; total at. 27; av. 25. Fall term. Teacher, Miss Kate C. Towle; No. weeks, 9; total at. 22; av. 21. Winter term. Teacher, Miss Desire E. Nickels; No. weeks, 9; total at. 8; av. at. 8. E. Cyphers, agent.

UNION DISTRICT. Total No. scholars, 180. Spring term. Teacher, Miss Emma F. Mortland; No. weeks, 10; total at. 28; av. at. 26. Fall term. Teacher, Miss Emma F. Mortland; No. weeks, 10; total at. 29; av. at. 27. Winter term. Teacher, Miss Emma F. Mortland; No. weeks, 12; total at. 28; av. at. 26. M. M. Whittum, agent. Spring term. Teacher, Miss C. B. Whittum; No. weeks, 10; total at. 14; av. at. 11. Fall term. Teacher, Miss C. B. Whittum; No. weeks, 10; total at. 15; av. at. 14. Winter term. Teacher, Miss C. B. Whittum; No. weeks, 12; total at. 18; av. at. 14. M. M. Whittum, agent. Spring term. Teacher, Miss L. G. Runnells; No. weeks, 10; total at. 30; av. at. 25. Fall term. Teacher, Miss L. G. Runnells; No. weeks, 10; total at. 26; av. at. 21. Winter term. Teacher, Miss L. G. Runnells; No. weeks, 12; total at. 23; av. at. 19. M. M. Whittum, agent.

DISTRICT No. 6. Wm. Sargent, agent. Scholars brought to Union District.

DISTRICT No. 7. Total No. scholars, 27. Spring term. Teacher, Mrs. Mary R. Perkins; No. weeks, 9; total at. 16; av. 14. Fall term. Teacher, Miss Katherine Kneeland; No. weeks, 9; total at. 19; av. 16. Winter term. Teacher, Miss Katherine Kneeland; No. weeks, 11 1-2; total at. 17; av. 10. J. H. Kneeland, agent.

DISTRICT No. 8. Total No. scholars, 30. Spring term. Teacher, Mrs. Abbie M. Nichols; No. weeks, 8; total at. 24; av. 22. Fall term. Teacher, Mrs. Abbie M. Nichols; No. weeks, 8; total at. 26; av. 23. Winter term. Teacher, Fred M. Nickerson; No. weeks, 8; total at. 32; av. 28. Isaac George, agent.

DISTRICT No. 9. Total No. scholars, 37. Fall term. Teacher, Mrs. Hattie F. M. Phillips; No. weeks, 8; total at. 24; av. 21. Winter term. Teacher, Albert T. Nickerson; No. weeks, 12; total at. 18; av. 14. G. C. Savery, agent.

DISTRICT No. 10. Total No. scholars, 15. Spring term. Mrs. Hattie F. M. Phillips, teacher. No. weeks, 8; total at. 10; av. 9. Winter term. Teacher, C. W. Marden; No. weeks, 6; total at. 12; av. 10. G. E. Chapin, agent.

DISTRICT No. 11, 3 scholars; no school.

DISTRICT No. 12, 6 scholars; school in Belfast.

HIGH SCHOOL. Spring term. Teacher, W. W. Austin; No. weeks, 10; total at. 36; av. 31. Fall term. Teacher, W. W. Austin; No. weeks, 10; total at. 37; av. 34. Winter term. Teacher, W. W. Austin; No. weeks, 12; total at. 41; av. 29.

COURSE OF STUDY

Searsport High School.

FIRST YEAR.

Summer.

ARITHMETIC (Academic)
ENG. GRAM. & ANALYSIS.
BOOK-KEEPING.
PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY.
HISTORICAL READING.

Fall.

ARITHMETIC (Academic)
ENG. GRAM. & ANALYSIS.
BOOK-KEEPING.
PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY.
HISTORICAL READING.

Winter.

ARITHMETIC (Academic)
ENG. GRAM. & ANALYSIS.
BOOK-KEEPING.
PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY.
ALGEBRA.

SECOND YEAR.

Summer.

ALGEBRA.
ENG. LESSONS & COMP.
GENERAL HISTORY.
ENGLISH HISTORY.

Fall.

ALGEBRA.
ENG. LESSONS & COMP.
GENERAL HISTORY.
ENGLISH HISTORY.

Winter.

ALGEBRA.
ENG. LESSONS & COMP.
BOTANY.
PLANE GEOMETRY.

THIRD YEAR.

Summer.

LATIN LESSONS.
BOTANY.
RHETORIC & COMP.
PLANE GEOMETRY.

Fall.

LATIN LESSONS.
RHETORIC & COMP.
PHYSICS.
CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Winter.

LATIN LESSONS.
PHYSICS.
CIVIL GOVERNMENT.
GEOLOGY.

FOURTH YEAR.

Summer.

CÆSAR & LATIN COMP
GEOLOGY.
POLITICAL ECONOMY.
ASTRONOMY.

Fall.

CÆSAR & LATIN COMP
ENG. & AMERICAN LIT.
ASTRONOMY.
ELEMENTS OF CHEM.

Winter.

VIRGIL.
ENG. & AMERICAN LIT.
CHEMISTRY.
MATHEMATICAL REV.