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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor,

TOWN TREASURER,

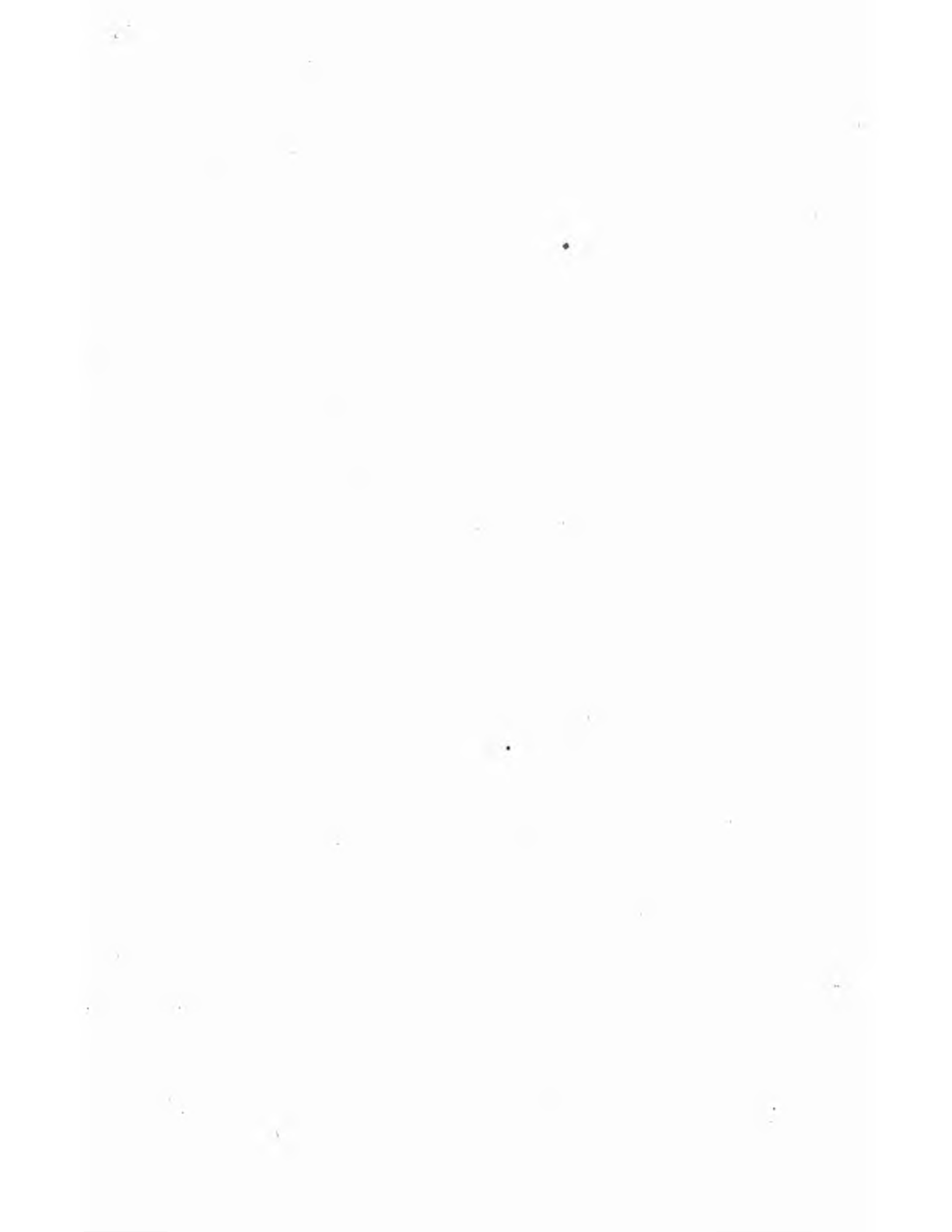
Road Commissioner and Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF CARTHAGE,

For the Year Ending February 20, 1901.

FARMINGTON, MAINE:
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1901.



SELECTMEN'S ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Carthage:

Agreeable to law and the usual custom, we submit our annual report of the financial standing of the town for the year ending Feb. 20, 1901.

VALUATION OF TOWN.

Resident Real Estate,	\$46,988 00	
Non-resident Real Estate,	29,230 00	
Personal Estate,	19,393 00	
	<u> </u>	\$95,611 00

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

State tax,	\$284 82	
County tax,	158 97	
Poor and other charges,	800 00	
Roads and bridges,	1000 00	
Town debt and interest,	450 00	
Common schools,	350 00	
High school,	250 00	
Repairs of school-house,	10 00	
Overlay,	31 36	\$3335 15

Number of Polls, 81.
Poll tax, \$3.00.
Rate of taxation, .033.

SPECIAL BRIDGE ASSESSMENT.

For new steel bridge,	\$1522 30
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TOWN OFFICERS, 1900-1901.

D. W. Berry, Selectman,	\$ 49 00	
Will W. Holman, Selectman,	36 75	
O. V. Hutchinson, Selectman,	28 75	
Luther Hutchinson, Treasurer,	18 00	
Lester S. Libby, Town Clerk,	6 00	
Will W. Holman, Supt. of Schools,	35 00	\$173 50

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS PAID.

D. W. Berry, services as Selectman, etc., 1900, part pay,	\$ 32 00
W. W. Holman, services as Supt. of Schools, 1900, part pay,	35 00
Luther Hutchinson, services as Treasurer, 1899,	18 00
Lester S. Libby, services as Clerk, 1899,	6 00
D. W. Berry, services as Selectman, etc., 1899,	20 25
C. F. Eaton, services as member of board of health, 1900,	24 25
Charles Brown, services as ballot clerk, 1900,	3 00
D. D. Berry, " " " "	3 00
O. V. Hutchinson, services as Selectman, etc., 1900, part pay,	8 00
W. E. Hutchinson, " Collector, 1899, in full,	9 12
" " " " 1900, part pay,	150 00
" " " Constable, 1899-1900,	13 00
J. G. Coburn, services as Moderator, 1900,	2 00
E. E. Winter, " Collector, 1898,	99 94
Will W. Holman, services as Selectman, etc., 1900, part pay,	15 00
D. W. Berry, services as Supt. of Schools, 1899,	12 00
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	\$450 56

ABATEMENTS.

N. G. Severy, tax of 1899 on his back lot as per vote of town,	\$ 4 65
N. G. Severy, tax 1900,	4 95
N. G. Severy, bridge tax 1900,	2 25
Chas. Hammond, tax 1899, paid in the town of Sumner,	3 00
W. W. Hall, 1-2 of his tax for the year 1900, town and bridge tax,	9 60
George Jones, tax 1899, deceased,	3 00
	\$27 45

PAUPER BILLS PAID.

Support of Joseph Tobin,	\$ 93 10	
“ “ John W. Shepard,	43 32	
“ “ Willis Cushman,	8 75	
“ “ Herbert Tobin,	18 00	
Town of Farmington, support of Jos. L. Tobin,	160 00	
Support of Sophoroma Howard,	75 00	
“ “ T. A. Pettengill,	106 11	
“ “ Ruth Potter,	109 85	
“ “ Geo. W. Jones and family,	109 55	\$723 68

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid Minnie Maxwell, teaching spring term, including board,	\$ 45 00	
Minnie Maxwell, teaching fall term, including board,	55 00	
Virgie Rowell, teaching spring term,	31 50	
Nat Hammond, teaching fall term,	46 75	
Lilla A. Whiting, teaching spring term, including board,	50 00	
Linnie E. Brown, teaching fall term, including board,	66 20	
Archie L. Coburn, teaching spring term, including board,	50 00	
Marilla Houle, teaching fall term, including board,	55 00	
C. F. Eaton, boarding teacher,	15 75	
W. E. Hutchinson, “ “	22 00	
Jesse Cushman, transportation of pupils,	50 00	
N. S. Smith, “ “	25 00	
C. F. Eaton, “ “	25 00	
Frank Brown, for fuel,	3 00	
Arch L. Coburn, “	4 00	
J. M. Getchell, “ 1899,	1 00	
Town of Weld, tuition 1899,	23 04	
“ “ “ 1900,	35 34	\$603 58

FREE HIGH SCHOOL, 1899.

Ernest Holman, teaching,	\$80 00	
Mrs. E. C. McLain, boarding teacher,	20 00	
J. M. Getchell, for fuel,	75	\$100 75

APPROPRIATED FOR SCHOOLS.

Amount raised by town, 1900,	\$350 00	
Unexpended from 1899,	123 30	
School Fund and Mill Tax, 1900,	270 60	\$743 90
Expended for schools, 1900,		603 58
Unexpended Feb. 20, 1901,		<u>\$140 32</u>

ROADS.

Highway bills of 1899, paid. F. W. Brown, Commissioner.

G. N. Lakin,	\$3 90
E. E. Winter,	9 30
Fred McLain,	4 00
D. W. Berry,	1 75
H. W. Berry,	1 80
Warren Pettengill,	6 90
O. V. Hutchinson,	6 73
E. C. Staples,	30 60
Kendall Billington,	7 50
E. W. Jones,	2 25
E. W. Jones,	2 00
E. C. McLain,	4 50
A. M. Fuller,	80
Geo. Maxwell,	3 00
H. W. Berry,	1 35
F. J. Casey,	11 36
M. D. Morrison,	11 00
N. G. Severy,	15 85
Frank Brown,	5 57
Virgil C. Mitchell,	16 65
W. V. Tainter,	9 30
C. F. Eaton,	7 97

Linden Mason,	\$ 1 73	
N. Whittier,	83	
E. E. Winter,	4 95	
Emery Hutchinson,	24 75	
I. H. Beals,	11 10	
E. B. Maxwell,	3 30	
R. O. Dunning,	11 10	
Geo. N. Lakin,	7 20	
M. B. Hammond,	10 11	
Chas. Brown,	2 40	
F. P. Macomber,	7 20	
N. W. Whittier,	3 90	
D. D. Berry,	10 25	
J. M. Getchell,	7 12	
A. A. Smith,	11 70	
W. T. Chandler,	12 70	
Geo. Maxwell,	16 12	
H. L. Tobin,	13 51	
L. P. Mason,	21 37	
Nat. Whittier,	2 15	
C. L. Pratt,	8 55	
Chas. L. Pratt,	5 10	
Daniel Barrett,	2 25	
Oscar Whitney,	4 35	
W. E. Hutchinson,	45 02	
E. H. Staples,	13 50	
Edward Jones,	8 39	
A. W. Hammond,	4 80	
Geo. E. Coffren,	2 70	\$442 13

NEW BRIDGE.

Orders drawn and paid for labor done on abutments of Newman bridge and for plank.

Bearce & Wilson, for plank,	\$44 44
W. E. Hutchinson, for labor,	28 87
S. D. Kittredge, sharpening drills,	3 96
Lyman Getchell, labor,	15 32

W. W. Holman, labor,	\$21 00	
J. G. Coburn, sawing lumber,	1 25	
Lester S. Libby, new drills and wages,	2 75	
Luther Hutchinson, for powder,	68	\$118 27

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

W. W. Holman, for postage and express paid,	\$5 00
C. F. Eaton, for material furnished schools,	1 18
D. W. Berry, for use of watering trough, 1900,	3 00
G. W. Berry, " " " "	3 00
Josie Judkins, for cleaning school-house,	2 00
C. F. Eaton, for disinfectant furnished town,	7 35
L. S. Libby, for recording and returning birth and death certificates,	2 70
Hattie Billington, for cleaning school-houses,	5 00
C. L. Pratt, for damage received at the Newman bridge, 1900,	4 50
E. N. Carver, printing town reports,	9 00
D. W. Berry, for postage and express furnished town,	1 35
Luther Hutchinson, nails and spikes furnished town,	80
Geo. D. Long, for blank books for town,	6 00
Thompson & Brown, for text-books,	3 84
C. E. Proctor, M. D., for vaccinating Tobin family,	1 50
W. W. Holman, for notices and teachers' certificates,	3 00
Myron Hanscomb, for janitor's services, 1899,	2 85
W. W. Holman, for express paid on books,	2 80
Mrs. Edward Jones, for cleaning school-house,	2 00
Frank Brown, for lodging furnished tramp,	50
C. F. Eaton, for vaccine points,	93
D. W. Berry, express paid on cutter for road machine,	1 25
J. S. Sturtevant, M. D., for death certificates,	50
L. Hutchinson, for material furnished schools,	2 71
Geo. W. Tibbets, for cutter for road machine,	8 00
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	\$80 76

TOWN DEBT AND INTEREST.

Paid E. W. Murch, part payment town order,	\$300 00	
W. W. Goodwin, interest,	40 00	
Mrs. Ruel Phillips, "	12 00	
E. W. Murch, "	28 00	
E. M. Hutchinson,	4 00	
E. P. Goodwin,	28 00	\$412 00

REPAIRS OF ROADS, 1900-1901.

W. E. Hutchinson, Commissioner.		
Bills presented,	\$895 63	
Orders drawn and paid,	780 77	
Outstanding bills,		\$114 86

The Commissioner's Report is referred to for a detailed account.

RESOURCES.

Due from W. E. Hutchinson, Collector, 1899,	\$ 400 57
" " " 1900,	2297 03
" " " Bridge Tax,	475 30
Real Estate Tax Deeds in hands of the Treasurer,	229 03
The town of Canton or Lewiston, Geo. Jones acc't,	139 93
Highway taxes unpaid, '97,	11 97
Henry Abbott, tuition High School, '98,	2 50
Isaiah Hutchinson, tuition High School, '98,	2 50
Tyler Hutchinson, tuition Common School, '98-'99,	6 50
Southwest corner of lot No. 2, R. 12,	75 00
Road machine and tools,	100 00
Cash in treasury, Feb. 20,	537 58
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	\$4277 91

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders bearing interest,	\$2691 82	
Outstanding orders not bearing interest,	23 00	
Due Schools,	140 32	
Town Officers' bills due,	173 50	
Due the American Book Co.,	37 00	
Due Groton Bridge Co.,	1160 00	
Other outstanding bills (estimated),	150 00	\$4375 64
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Balance against town,		\$ 97 73

Respectfully submitted.

D. W. BERRY, } *Selectmen*
 WILL W. HOLMAN, } *of*
 O. V. HUTCHINSON, } *Carthage.*

Carthage, Me., Feb. 20, 1901.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

W. E. Hutchinson, Road Commissioner, in account with the Town of Carthage for the year 1900-1901.

CR. BY AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Services as Commissioner 35 days,	\$ 70 00
of teams (work on highway),	102 30
of teams and men, breaking roads,	81 55
Paid E. B. Maxwell, labor on highway,	13 02
W. W. Holman, " "	27 80
Henry Hammond, labor on highway,	10 22
G. P. Coburn, " "	3 50
E. Jones, " "	5 05
Geo. Maxwell, " "	2 25
Bonney Tucker, " "	15 00
M. B. Hammond, " "	4 73
A. A. Smith, " "	7 03
Goodwin Bros., plank,	20 65
W. E. Hutchinson, plank,	6 40
N. G. Severy, labor on highway,	3 45
M. D. Morrison, labor on highway,	3 65
E. C. Staples, " "	15 50
L. P. Mason, " "	4 70
C. F. Eaton, " "	29 10
Sennett Hutchinson, labor on highway,	1 50
Dana Mitchell, " "	26 45
Irving Mitchell, " "	31 30
Ernest Murch, " "	37
Geo. Lakin, " "	9 50
Lyman Getchell, " "	1 50
J. G. Coburn, " "	50

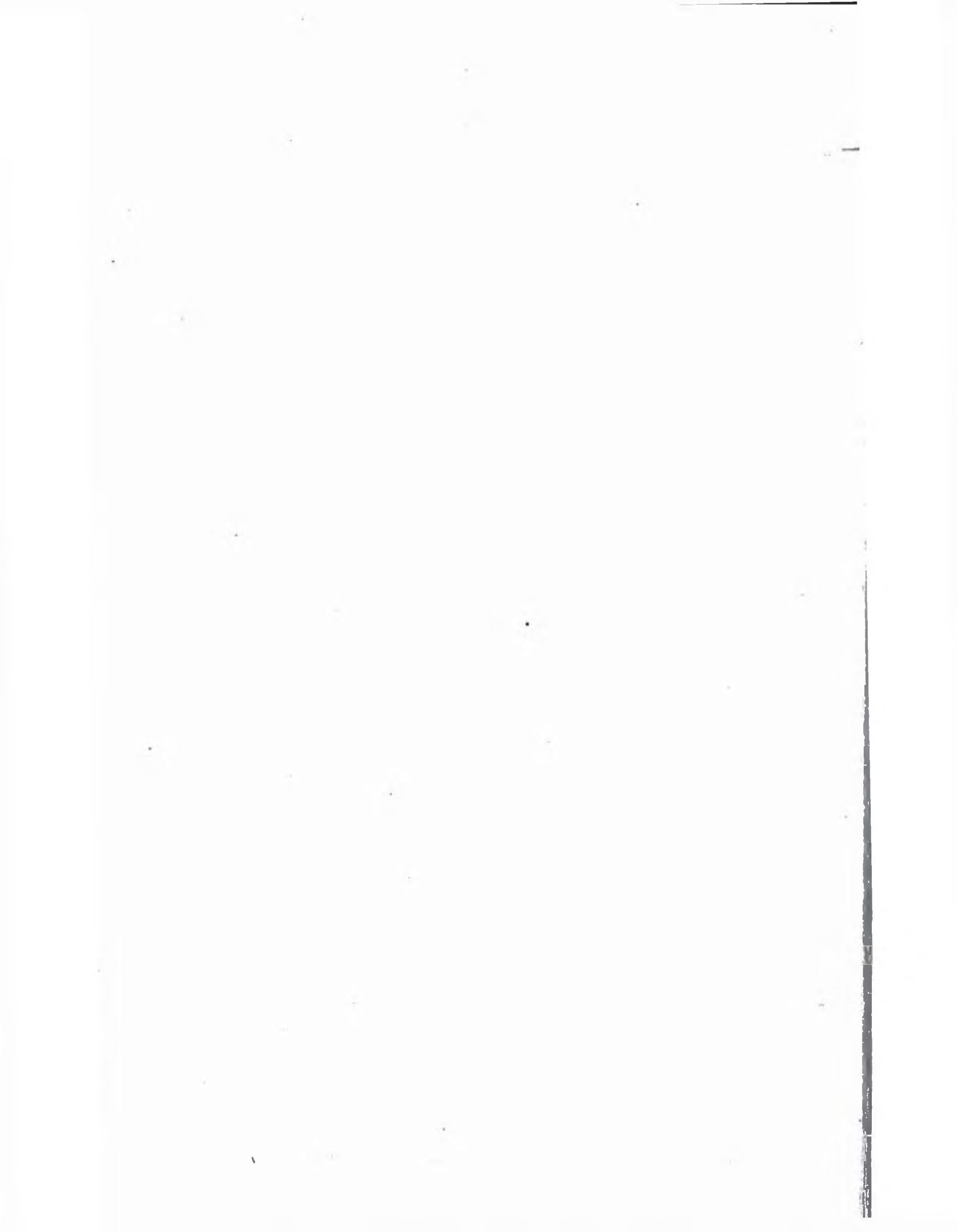
Paid Herbert Whitney, labor on highway,	\$ 2 02
For dynamite fuse and caps,	7 05
John Dufell, labor on highway,	9 80
Warren Pettengill, labor on highway,	8 12
Fred Casey, " "	51 62
Leroy Adams, " "	1 82
Nathaniel Whittier, " "	60
M. B. Hammond, breaking roads,	16 25
M. D. Morrison, " "	9 75
L. P. Mason, " "	16 20
C. W. Hanscomb, " "	4 42
Fred McLain, " "	60
D. D. Berry, " "	3 00
Albert Tainter, " "	4 75
V. C. Mitchell, " "	7 80
George Maxwell, " "	20 54
B. D. Rand, " "	2 70
R. O. Dunning, " "	11 20
Fred Hutchinson, " "	2 55
Fred Casey, " "	16 26
E. C. Staples, " "	14 85
J. H. Beals, " "	4 50
Linden Mason, " "	4 71
G. E. Coffren, " "	3 21
E. C. Staples, " "	3 30
E. W. Jones, " "	16 66
Warren Pettengill, " "	4 82
D. W. Berry, " "	1 70
Bert Plummer, " "	75
O. V. Hutchinson, " "	3 82
E. E. Holt, " "	8 45
Lester S. Libby, repairs on road machine,	2 72
Will Chardler, opening the Winter road,	8 00
C. F. Eaton, breaking roads,	14 08
A. A. Smith, " "	11 80
Charles Pratt, " "	11 25
O. E. Whitney, " "	1 50
John Leach, " "	3 37
Eastman Judkins, breaking roads,	6 00

Paid F. P. Macomber, breaking roads,			\$ 1 65
L. P. Mason,	"	"	8 53
Emery Hutchinson,	"	"	6 20
Frank Brown,	"	"	11 67
N. G. Severy,	"	"	22 11
W. V. Tainter,	"	"	2 10
W. T. Chandler,	"	"	7 42
E. W. Damon,	"	"	75
C. J. Damon,	"	"	1 35
Clinton Lamb,	"	"	75
F. A. Lamb,	"	"	1 20
E. E. Winter,	"	"	2 16
George Lakin,	"	"	2 10
Frank Brown,	"	"	19 54

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. HUTCHINSON,

Road Comm'r of Carthage.



TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Luther Hutchinson, Treasurer, in account with the town of Carthage
for the year ending Feb. 19, 1901.*

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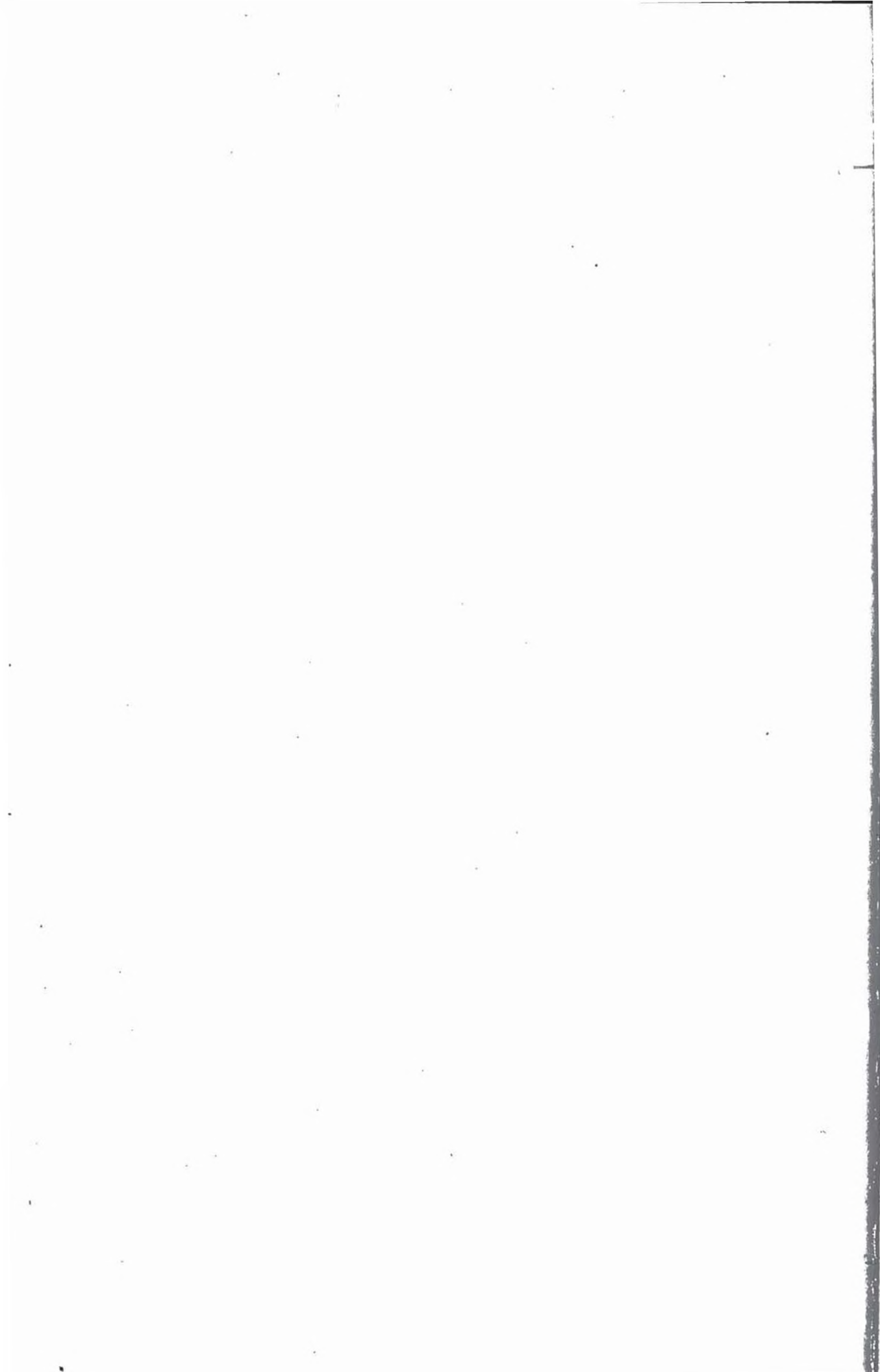
To balance in the treasury as per report,	\$ 231 16
Received from the town of Weld,	14 00
L. S. Libby, dog licenses,	31 00
F. M. Simpson, high school fund, 1900,	45 00
M. B. Hammond, on tax deed, 1896,	6 47
E. Hutchinson, " "	10 14
Fred W. Hutchinson, " "	22 00
F. S. Hutchinson, " "	6 50
Chas. Pratt, on old tax deeds,	40 00
State Treasurer, dog licenses refunded,	26 44
" " school fund and mill tax,	270 60
W. W. Holman, Supt., for rent of school- house,	1 00
Collector for 1898 in full,	27 83
" " 1897 "	25 00
" " 1899,	1941 09
" " 1900, including special bridge tax,	2085 12
	\$4783 35

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By paid County Treasurer, County tax, 1900,	\$ 158 97
State Treasurer, State tax,	284 82
" " dog licenses, 1900,	31 00
On Tax Deeds,	25 64
Town orders issued by Selectmen,	3745 34
	\$4245 77
Balance in Treasury Feb. 19,	537 58
	\$4783 35

Respectfully submitted.

LUTHER HUTCHINSON, *Treasurer.*



TOWN OF CARTHAGE.

Births, Deaths, and Marriages for Year 1900.

BIRTHS.

February 28,	1900.	To the wife of Milo G. Dean, a daughter.
July 21,	"	Samuel D. Kittredge, a son.
August 16,	"	Bert G. Wills, a son.
September 27,	"	W. E. Hutchinson, a son.
November 10,	"	Charles Brown, a son.
November 19,	"	W. W. Holman, a son.

DEATHS.

			Y.	M.	D.
January 10,	1900.	Verdie N. Virgin,	1	1	10
May 21,	"	S. Jennie Brown,	56	8	17
July 23,	"	Harriet N. Berry,	86	4	5
July 27,	"	David Francis,	79	1	29
November 23,	"	Infant son of W. W. Holman,			3

MARRIAGES.

East Dixfield, Jan. 30, 1900, by M. G. Fuller, Esq., Mr. Gustavus Smith of Carthage, to Mrs. Esther A. Clark of Jay.

Livermore Falls, March 14, 1900, by Rev. Blanche A. Wright, Mr. L. V. Prescott of Carthage, to Miss Harriet Tucker of East Weymouth, Mass.

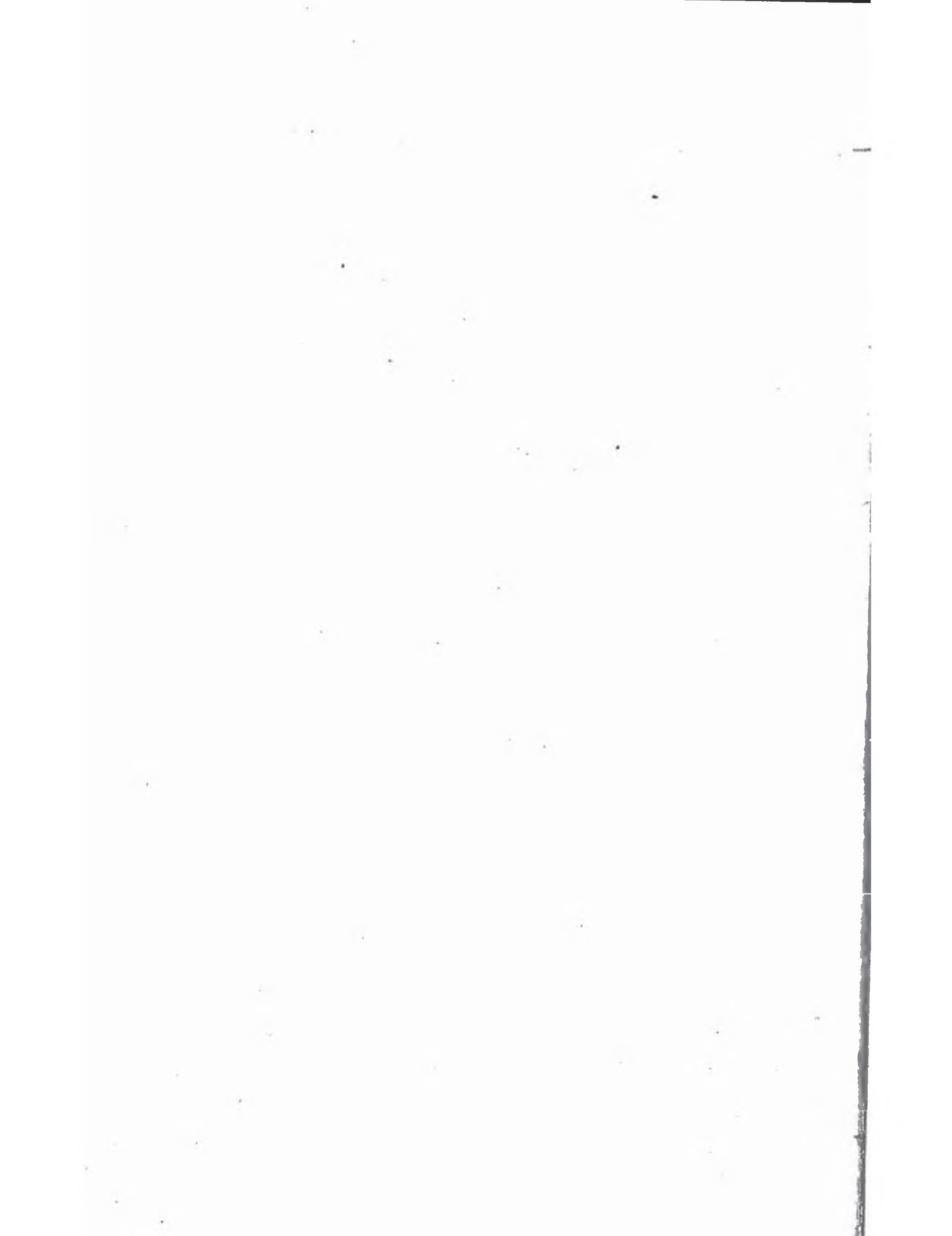
Carthage, July 7, 1900, by D. W. Berry, Esq., Mr. James M. Adams of Carthage, to Mrs. Mary E. Lakin of Avon.

Carthage, August 2, 1900, by D. W. Berry, Esq., Mr. Guy E. Webster to Miss Lottie M. Holman, both of Dixfield.

Carthage, August 15, 1900, by Rev. A. A. C. Abbott, Mr. Laroy F. Wilbur to Nellie M. W. Lamb, both of Carthage.

Carthage, Oct. 3, 1900, by D. W. Berry, Esq., Mr. H. Willis Berry to Miss Lilla A. Whiting, both of Carthage.

LESTER S. LIBBY, *Town Clerk.*



SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Gentlemen :—

In accordance with the laws of our State, it becomes necessary for me to submit the following report :

There were enrolled April 1st, 1900, one hundred and seven (107) pupils. The source and expenditure of the school fund you have already before you in the report of the Selectmen, and it needs no recapitulation here.

TEXT-BOOKS.

The following new text-books have been purchased and placed in the several schools during the past year :

- 31 Metcalf's English Grammars.
- 25 Metcalf's Elem. Grammars.
- 5 Webster's Academic Dictionaries (indexed).
- 6 Milne Standard Arithmetics.
- 6 Meservey's Book-Keeping (single and double entry).
- 8 dozen Barnes' Vertical Copy-books.

School in No. 2 has been suspended during the past year, as this school lacked the necessary number of pupils required by law to maintain the same.

With these few lines of introduction, we will now pass to the individual report of our schools in their order.

SPRING SCHOOLS.

SCHOOL NO. 1.

Miss Minnie E. Maxwell of South Carthage, teacher. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils registered, 8; average, 6.45. (This school was maintained by vote of town.) Wages of teacher, including board, \$5.00 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 1; dismissal, 1. Order good and work satisfactory.

SCHOOL NO. 3.

Miss Virgie Rowell of Wilton, teacher. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils registered, 17; average, 16 1-44. Wages of teacher, excluding board, \$3.50 per week; price of board, \$1.75 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 78; dismissal, none. This was Miss Rowell's first term. Although young and inexperienced, she taught a very good school, much better than many of more experience and riper years.

SCHOOL NO. 4.

Miss Lilla A. Whiting of Turner, Maine, teacher. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils registered, 16; average, 13. Wages of teacher, including board, \$5.55 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 13; dismissal, 10. Order and advancement good.

SCHOOL NO. 5.

Mr. Arch L. Coburn of Carthage, teacher. Length of term, 9 weeks; number of pupils registered, 14; average, 10. Wages of teacher, including board, \$5.55 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 83; dismissal, 9. This was Mr. Coburn's second term in his home school. We think Arch did his best. His school passed a good examination.

FALL SCHOOLS.

SCHOOL NO. 1.

Miss Minnie E. Maxwell of South Carthage, teacher. Length of term, 11 weeks; number of pupils registered, 9; average, 8 21-55. Wages of teacher, including board, \$5.00 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 4; dismissal, none. On account of sickness this school was visited but once, but we have heard no murmur of complaint, and feel safe to say that Miss Maxwell sustained her former reputation in this school.

SCHOOL NO. 3.

Mr. N. M. Hammond of Carthage, teacher. Length of term, 11 weeks. Wages of teacher, excluding board, \$4.25 per week; price of board, \$2.00 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 21; dismissal, 5. Order very good; advancement good; we think Mr. Hammond tried to do his whole duty in this school.

SCHOOL NO. 4.

Miss Linnie E. Brown of Berry Mills, teacher. Length of term, 11 weeks. Number of pupils registered, 21; average, 18.3. Wages of teacher, including board, \$6.00 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 46; dismissal, 9. Miss Brown is one of our best teachers. All work done in a thorough and satisfactory manner.

SCHOOL NO. 5.

Miss Marilla M. Houle of New Floss, Ontario, teacher. Length of term, 11 weeks; number of pupils registered, 17; average, 13. Wages of teacher including board, \$5.00 per week. Number of instances of tardiness, 176; dismissal, 90. Miss Houle is a fine scholar and her methods of teaching excellent. We are satisfied she did her whole duty in this school. Tardiness and irregularity in attendance in this school are great evils. These done away with, much different results would be manifested.

SCHOOL NO. 6.

(Bowley Hill School.)

This school your Superintendent has failed to manage to his own satisfaction. He has sought the aid and advice of the S. S. Committee, but with no better success. As there is no school-house in this school, and as this part of our town is contiguous to the town of Weld, we have paid tuition and transportation to the Weld schools. But we have been unable to do this without using much more than their proportional part of the school fund. Nor could we maintain a school without the same results. If any of our townsmen can solve this problem we would be very grateful. Your attention will be called to this matter by an article in the Warrant at our next annual meeting. The following statement shows the expense of this school:

Whole number of pupils 6.	Rate of tuition per capita, \$5.89.
Paid Jesse Cushman, for transportation,	\$50 00
Town of Weld, tuition,	35 34
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	\$85 34

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

(Berry Mills.)

Mr. C. E. Michels of Brunswick, Maine, teacher; whole number of pupils registered, 27. Wages of teacher, \$30.00 per month; price of board, \$2.25 per week. Mr. Michels came to this school with very strong recommendations from the Faculty at Bowdoin College, also several Superintendents, under whose supervision he has taught previously. He has proved to be what he was recommended to be, a first-class, up-to-date teacher, and a very strong disciplinarian. This school is now in session, and a profitable term's work is assured.

CONCLUSION.

In the summary of the results of the past year it is a pleasure to be able to say that we have had some excellent schools; but

we must bear in mind that all does not depend upon the teacher alone. Our very best teacher, to be perfectly successful, must have the co-operation of both parents and pupils. Irregularity of attendance, and tardiness, are very prominent among the causes which retard the advancement and progress of our schools. You will see by the individual report of our several schools, that these evils have been brought to your attention, thinking perhaps many were not aware of the extent of these two great evils which go so far towards retarding the progress of our pupils, and causing so much dissatisfaction with our teachers and school officers. Let us all try—parents, pupils, teachers, and school officers—to remedy these evils, and see if different results are not apparent at once, and thus raise the standard of our schools to the height we all wish to see them attain.

Respectfully submitted.

WILL W. HOLMAN,

Superintendent of Schools.

Carthage, Me., February, 1901.

