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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

Town of Sherman

Maine

FOR THE YEAR

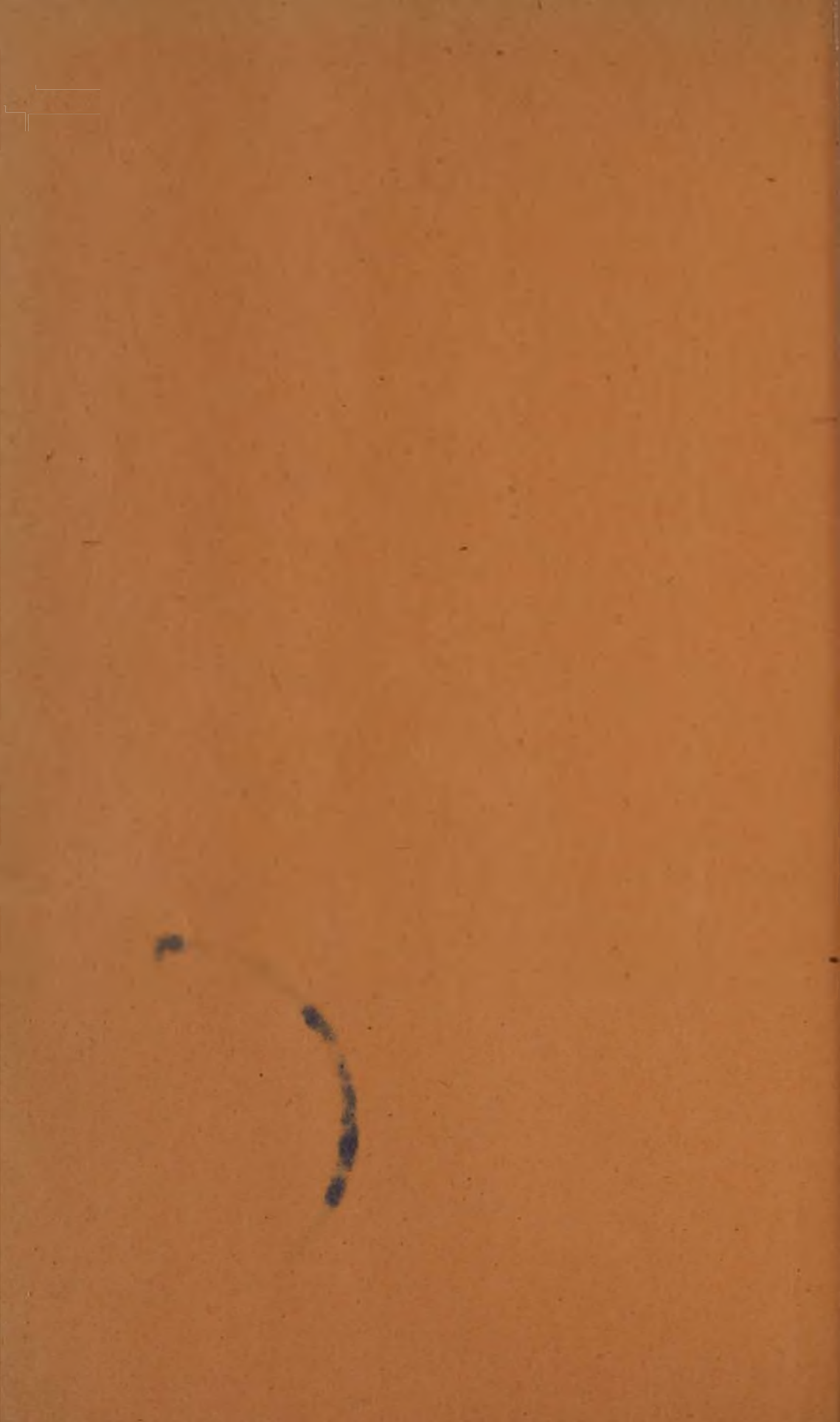
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Town Officers

Town Clerk

FRANK A. AMBROSE

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

F. S. PORTER

W. S. CALDWELL

C. C. YOUNG

Treasurer

JESSE S. CROCKETT

Superintendent of Schools

G. C. HIGHT

School Committee

H. B. SLEEPER

I. E. SEAVEY

S. L. HOLMES

Collector of Taxes

JERE O'ROAK

Road Commissioner

F. A. BURNHAM

Town Agent

VERDI LUDGATE

Report of Assessors

The following is a statement of the inventory and valuation of taxable property and polls as found in the town of Sherman Apr. 1, 1916, the same being a copy of our return to the State assessors.

Real estate, resident.....	\$314,215 00	
Real estate, non-resident.....	30,940 00	
Total real estate.....		\$345,155 00
Personal estate resident.....	\$92,365 00	
Total.....		92,365 00
Grand total.....		\$437,520 00
Value of land.....	\$168,890 00	
Value of buildings.....	176,265 00	
Grand total.....		\$345,155 00

Number of polls taxed, 262.

Number of polls not taxed, 34.

Amount assessed on polls each, \$3.00.

Rate of taxation, .028.

LIVE STOCK

354 horses and mules	\$36,630 00	
19 colts, 3 to 4	2,190 00	
24 colts, 2 to 3	2,245 00	
21 colts, under 2	1,400 00	
356 cows	8,510 00	
6 oxen	255 00	
71 3 years olds	1,905 00	
90 2 years old, exempt		
148 1 year old, exempt		
532 sheep, exempt		
266 swine		
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Total		\$53,135 00

Bank stock, 10 shares	\$ 1,000 00	
Stock in trade	25,050 00	
28 carriages	715 00	
30 automobiles	5,865 00	
43 musical instruments	5,600 00	
Other property	1,000 00	
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		\$39,230 00

Total personal estate \$ 92,365 00

Total real estate 345,155 00

Grand total \$437,520 00

On the above polls and estates as per warrant of the county and State treasurers, as per vote of the town at the annual town meeting held March 20, 1916, the following assessments were made:

Common schools.....	\$1,400 00	
School books.....	350 00	
Repairs of schoolhouses, etc.....	600 00	
Support of poor.....	500 00	
Salary of supt. of schools.....	200 00	
Fuel, janitor, supplies, etc. for high school..	150 00	
Incidentals and town officers.....	1,500 00	
Interest.....	500 00	
Free high school.....	800 00	
Roads, bridges and culverts.....	3,040 00	
State road.....	533 00	
Memorial day observances.....	25 00	

Town appropriations		\$9,598 00
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State tax.....	\$ 2,317 77	
County tax.....	579 33	
Overlay.....	541 46	
		3,438 56
		\$13,036 56

Tax rate on \$1.00, \$.028.

Tax on 262 polls.....	\$ 786 00	
Tax on real and personal estate.....	12,250 56	
		\$13,036 56

F. S. PORTER,	} Assessors of Sherman.
W. S. CALDWELL,	
C. C. YOUNG,	

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES AND TOWN OFFICERS

Unexpended last year	\$ 385 08	
Town appropriation	1,500 00	
Dog licenses refunded	18 10	
R. R. and telegraph tax	5 14	
Rent of town hall	107 25	
License of merry-go-round	5 00	
Tax deeds of W. C. Rogerson	94 61	
Jos. E. Cushman	11 57	
Chas. L. Emery, commitment expense C. A. Emery	38 45	
		<hr/> \$2,165 20

Paid R. E. Bowers, wood for hall	\$ 14 00
W. H. Lewis, incidentals	8 05
W. H. Lewis, rent of office and wood	50 00
W. H. Lewis, goods to I. King	11 99
W. H. Lewis, hall supplies	13 75
A. L. Hamilton, repairs	14 00
Jere O'Roak, collector	242 00
F. S. Porter, selectman, etc.	110 00
W. S. Caldwell, selectman, etc.	125 00
C. C. Young, selectman, etc.	75 00
F. A. Burnham, road commissioner	287 50
F. A. Ambrose, clerk	20 33
L. V. Bowers, school com. and board of health	30 00
F. Allingham, auditor	5 00
H. B. Sleeper, school com.	8 00
V. Ludgate, professional services	8 00
I. E. Seavey, school com.	20 00
E. Mayberry, watering place 2 years	10 00
A. R. Sanborn, town reports	40 00
F. H. Curtis, rent of ground	5 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, blanks	31 45
C. A. Sleeper, furnace for hall	173 86
Treas., Portland, commitment of C. A. Emery to insane hospital	38 45

Paid Dr. F. C. Harris, fumigating	\$ 4 75	
C. C. Joy, ballot clerk	10 00	
Dr. G. W. Upton, attendance I. King	3 75	
F. M. Caldwell, board of health	2 00	
H. B. Sleeper, ballot clerk	7 50	
F. A. Patterson, balance on school- house place	147 43	
H. G. Perrin, hall repairs	12 75	
C. H. Perrin, labor at cemetery	15 00	
A. Ingraham, truant officer	2 00	
V. Ludgate, professional services	13 00	
L. V. Bowers, board of health	5 00	
I. E. Seavey, supplies for hall	1 38	
I. E. Seavey, school board	20 00	
W. H. Lewis, supplies for King	105 06	
W. H. Lewis, hall supplies	8 89	
Jackman & Caldwell, incidentals	48 94	
Jackman & Caldwell, supplies for King	39 76	
		1,788 59
Unexpended		\$376 61

STATE PAUPERS

Paid G. A. Greaves, acct. Thos. Clark	\$190 65	
Mrs. C. A. Costley, acct. P. H. St. John	170 30	
Chas. McEwen, acct. P. H. St. John	34 50	
W. H. Lewis, acct. P. H. St. John	10 05	
P. N. Bishop, acct. P. N. St. John	6 50	
F. C. Harris, M. D., acct. P. H. St. John	3 75	
G. W. Upton, M. D.	9 30	
Jackman & Caldwell, acct. Albert Butler	149 23	
W. H. Lewis, acct. Albert Butler	39 88	
G. W. Upton, acct. Albert Butler	2 50	
		\$616 66
Rec'd from State	\$446 77	
Due from State	169 89	
		\$616 66

TOWN PAUPERS

Town appropriation	\$500 00	
Due from town of Princeton on acct. of Gus Fickett	82 75	
Rec'd of V. Ludgate, acct. of Olive Stubbs	61 35	
	<hr/>	\$644 10

Overdrawn last year	\$215 44	
Paid W. H. Lewis, supplies for Rose	58 00	
G. W. Upton, M. D., med. attendance for Rose	10 00	
W. H. Lewis, supplies for O. Stubbs	5 85	
J. J. Morgan, transportation O. Stubbs	1 50	
Dolly Powers, care O. Stubbs	45 00	
G. W. Upton, M. D., med. attendance O. Stubbs	9 00	
J. J. Morgan, wood for Rose	20 00	
I. E. Seavey, supplies for I. Roberts family	177 81	
W. H. Lewis, supplies for I. Roberts family	6 35	
O. A. Neal, board and care of Gus Fickett	70 00	
G. W. Upton, med. attendance Gus Fickett	12 75	
Jackman & Caldwell, supplies for Rose	7 75	
Jackman & Caldwell, supplies for Roberts	16 82	
	<hr/>	656 27
Overdrawn		<hr/> \$12 17

ROADS, BRIDGES AND CULVERTS

Overdrawn last year	\$960 85
Paid W. H. Lewis, supplies	28 37
Herman Sleeper, labor	4 00
G. L. Daggett, supplies	8 55
J. J. Morgan, labor	2 00
H. R. Gould, "	65 00
N. Shannon, "	6 00
Henry Cushman, "	1 00
Jas. Cushman, "	1 00
F. A. Burnham, "	12 60
M. E. Jackman, "	18 00
I. King, "	2 00
R. E. Bowers, "	9 00
I. B. Bryant,	3 60
Israel Bryant, labor	4 00
Israel Bryant, "	3 60
T. B. Bradford, "	12 00
F. A. Burnham, "	5 80
F. A. Burnham, "	19 20
Ivan Burnham, "	14 20
Jas. Cushman, "	1 80
Richard Huntley, "	6 20
Israel Bryant, "	3 40
F. A. Burnham, "	4 00
F. A. Burnham, plank	77 90
F. A. Burnham, piling	120 00
Edgar Trafton, labor	17 20
Geo. Gosnell, "	16 00
F. A. Burnham, "	20 40
Ivan Burnham, "	3 00
Ivan Burnham, "	19 20
F. A. Burnham, "	16 00
Oscar Huntley, "	12 00
Felix Merry	5 25
Richard Trafton	22 20
Geo. Cushman	32 40
F. A. Burnham	28 00

Paid Ivan Burnham	\$ 9 00
W. K. Frank	1 00
Geo. Gosnell	20 00
Archie McDonald	14 00
Edgar Trafton	27 80
W. A. Bryant	18 00
Loren Lipsett	17 00
Ivan Burnham, labor	20 60
F. A. Burnham	39 20
Allie Perry	26 80
W. E. Bryant	100 00
W. R. Cushman	54 45
Geo. Cushman	43 20
D. H. Perry	45 75
Clyde Bell	24 00
Oliver Grant	10 00
Willis Bowden	6 00
C. E. Daggett	1 00
Geo. Gosnell	6 60
Edgar Trafton	12 00
Richard Trafton	32 60
W. E. Cushman	10 00
D. M. Caldwell	55 80
Ira Bryant	52 80
F. A. Burnham	26 00
R. E. Bowers	89 20
W. R. Cushman	13 50
Edgar Trafton	2 00
Prescott Powers	18 60
Ivan Burnham	12 00
Merton Davis	38 00
F. A. Burnham, freight	4 84
W. E. Bryant, labor	40 25
Richard Robinson	8 00
Lewis Cushman	5 40
Chas. Henderson	2 00
Loren Lipsett	2 00
Jerry Emery	2 00
Richard Trafton	4 00

Paid Jos. E. Cushman	\$ 2 00
Geo. Perkins	11 15
Edgar Trafton	2 00
Geo. Cushman	4 00
W. R. Cushman, gravel	11 70
W. R. Cushman, labor	2 00
W. K. Frank, labor	8 50
B. A. Merry, labor	3 80
C. A. McLaughlin	7 00
Geo. Gould	6 72
E. C. Young, labor	44 50
O. W. Sides, labor	1 00
Geo. Gellerson, labor	13 00
Richard Huntley, maintenance	20 25
Will Huntley, maintenance	40 50
Richard Trafton, maintenance	20 25
Ivan Burnham, maintenance	42 75
L. L. Perry, labor	4 00
Jos. Cushman, maintenance	13 50
W. R. Cushman, gravel for maintenance	20 60
W. R. Cushman, labor for maintenance	9 00
Geo. Cushman, labor for maintenance	18 00
Mell Sides, labor	3 00
F. A. Burnham, labor maintenance	27 00
B. B. Bragdon, labor highway	26 00
H. R. Dearborn, labor	75 20
F. M. Caldwell, labor and lumber	13 00
C. M. Conant, repairs	20 80
Merton Davis, labor	2 00
H. B. Sleeper	60 40
A. A. Cox	5 60
A. P. Perry	15 75
Richard Huntley	6 20
A. Ingraham	18 00
Edgar Trafton	2 00
H. G. Perrin, repairs	15 87
O. L. London, labor	4 78
Geo. Cushman	1 50

Paid W. R. Cushman, labor	1 50	
W. W. Cox, labor	14 00	
Chester Wren	1 00	
F. A. Burnham	26 65	
F. A. Burnham, maintenance	2 25	
L. Garnett, labor	5 00	
J. Morgan, labor	34 40	
W. R. Gallerson	9 00	
D. Nickerson	14 00	
I. E. Seavey, supplies	7 42	
W. H. Lewis, supplies	18 03	
Ben James, labor	2 00	
maintenance acct. patrol	795 30	
	<hr/>	\$4,034 98
Town appropriation	\$3,000 00	
Town appropriation, maintenance	40 00	
Rec'd from State, maintenance	214 10	
	<hr/>	3,254 10
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Overdrawn		\$780 88

STATE AID ROAD

Paid D. H. Perry, labor	\$ 9 35
Allie Perry, labor	16 00
Richard Robinson	12 00
Jos. Cushman	12 00
Andrew Littlefield	11 00
Edgar Trafton	15 00
W. E. Cushman	30 00
Geo. Cushman	30 00
Allie Perry	18 00
Francis Powers	23 00
Lewis Cushman	10 00
Jos. Cushman	11 00
Ivan Burnham	12 00
D. M. Caldwell	46 00

D. H. Perry	25 00	
Allie Perry	16 00	
W. E. Cushman	20 00	
W. A. Bryant	16 00	
Richard Trafton	20 00	
Geo. Parker	4 00	
Jerry Emery	25 60	
Francis Powers	15 60	
D. M. Caldwell	35 20	
Jos. Cushman	20 80	
Edgar Trafton	23 00	
Prescott Powers	34 60	
Ivan Burnham	25 00	
Lewis Cushman	33 40	
W. A. Bryant	23 60	
Richard Huntley	20 60	
Geo. Cushman	54 00	
Geo. Parker	2 40	
Jerry Emery	17 60	
Francis Powers	8 00	
Richard Trafton, labor	27 60	
Jos. Cushman	21 00	
Will Huntley	36 00	
Lewis Cushman	17 00	
Edgar Trafton	18 00	
Geo. Cushman	30 00	
W. R. Cushman, labor	56 00	
W. R. Cushman, gravel	37 40	
Richard Huntley	13 00	
Ivan Burnham	90 10	
W. E. Cushman	47 60	
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		\$1,089 45
Town appropriation	\$533 00	
Rec'd from State	517 08	
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		1,050 08
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Overdrawn		\$39 37

Superintendent of Schools' Report

Overdrawn last year.....	\$ 16 79	
Paid G. C. Hight.....	200 00	
		<u>\$216 79</u>
Town appropriation.....		200 00
		<u>\$16 79</u>

SCHOOL BOOKS

Town appropriation.....		\$350 00
Overdrawn last year.....	\$ 59 72	
Paid for books.....	288 98	
		<u>348 70</u>
Unexpended.....		\$1 30

REPAIRS OF SCHOOLHOUSES, ETC.

Overdrawn last year.....	\$120 49	
Paid for supplies and repairs.....	992 17	
		<u>\$1,112 66</u>
Town appropriation.....	\$600 00	
Equalization fund.....	100 00	
Wood charged to schools.....	7 50	
		<u>707 50</u>
Overdrawn.....		\$405 16

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Overdrawn last year	\$145 45	
Interest on school fund orders	345 35	
Interest to Merrill Trust	25 20	
Interest on town orders	14 65	
	<hr/>	\$530 65
Town appropriation	\$500 00	
Interest of Merrill Trust Co.	22 75	
	<hr/>	522 75
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Overdrawn		\$7 90

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES

Town appropriation		\$25 00
Paid I. B. Bryant		25 00

COMMON SCHOOLS

Unexpended balance	\$ 519 55	
Town appropriation	1,400 00	
From State, common school fund	913 58	
From State, school and mill fund	1,281 06	
From State, equalization fund	250 00	
Interest on school fund	373 25	
Tuition from State	8 25	
Tuition from Crystal, 1916	56 00	
Tuition from Crystal, 1915	33 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,834 69
Paid teachers' wages and board	\$3,544 25	
Paid for fuel	332 17	
Paid for janitor	163 10	
Paid for tuition, Stacyville	26 25	
	<hr/>	4,065 77
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Unexpended		\$768 92

FREE HIGH SCHOOL

Paid teachers' wages and board		\$1,916 60
Unexpended balance	\$ 43 75	
Town appropriation	800 00	
Received from State	500 00	
Received tuition from Benedicta	189 00	
Received tuition from Stacyville	135 00	
Received tuition from State	27 00	
	<hr/>	1,694 75
Overdrawn		<hr/> \$221 85

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

Overdrawn, 1916	\$ 62 12	
Paid for janitor, fuel and supplies	200 01	
	<hr/>	\$262 13
Town appropriation	\$150 00	
Overdrawn	112 13	
	<hr/>	\$262 13

LIST OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Jas. Braphy	\$ 11 68
Jos. E. Cushman	14 20
Lewis Cushman	3 00
Henry Cushman	3 00
Winslow Collins	10 70
L. H. Dolley	10 00
Edwin Dunbar	5 10

Jas. Dubay	3 00
E. I. Emmons	7 90
Harry Foote	3 00
Howard Foster	3 00
Miles Gibbons	8 60
Guy Grant	3 00
John Howe	3 00
Orson Huntley	7 20
Jerry Ingalls	22 60
J. W. Ingalls	27 61
Ingalls & Welch	5 60
Benjamin Ingalls	3 00
Maurice Morgan	2 80
Dallas Nason	3 00
Linwood Neal	5 10
D. H. Owen	3 00
Owen Estate	15 40
D. H. Perry	14 90
Jas. Perry	5 60
Dennis Perry	3 00
Geo. W. Parker	31 70
F. H. Powers	3 00
Francis Powers	3 00
Chas. Pratt	3 00
John Richards	3 09
Nelson Stafford Heirs	2 10
Benj. Sprague	4 40
John Kelley	8 00
Michael Murray Estate	1 40
Jos. T. Piper	72 80
Welton Stubbs	4 20

\$344 59

LIST OF ABATEMENTS

Fred Bayne, taxed in Stacyville	\$	3 00	
William Champion		3 00	
C. A. Emery		3 00	
Ernest French, taxed in Patten		3 00	
Chas. Huntley, taxed in Silver Ridge		3 00	
John Warrell		3 00	
		<hr/>	\$18 00

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN

Assets

Cash on hand	\$2,364 95	
Uncollected	1,005 48	
Due for hall rent	11 40	
Town hall and lot	4,500 00	
School property	4,500 00	
Tool house and lot	400 00	
Stone crusher and tools	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$14,781 83

Liabilities

Orders Nos. 252-1-96-397	\$8,633 89	
Outstanding town orders	1,006 91	
Assets over liabilities	5,141 03	
	<hr/>	\$14,781 83

JERE O'ROAK, COLLECTOR

Dr.

Uncollected taxes, last year	\$ 918 62	
Commitment, 1916	13,057 36	
	<hr/>	\$13,975 98

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By treasurer's receipts	\$12,892 30	
By abatements	18 00	
By D. H. Perry tax	37 80	
By Lewis J. Cushman tax	22 40	
By collections since books were closed, (as per treasurer's receipts)	376 60	
Total uncollected taxes	628 88	
	<hr/>	\$13,975 98

RECOMMENDATIONS

Town officers and incidentals	\$1,000 00
Memorial day	25 00
Interest account	400 00
State road	533 00
Patrol maintenance	800 00
Roads and bridges	3,000 00
Support of the poor	400 00

Respectfully submitted,

F. S. PORTER,	} Selectmen of Sherman
W. S. CALDWELL,	
C. C. YOUNG,	

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, March 21, 1916	\$2,001	21
Received of Jere O'Roak, collector	12,895	11
State treas., school and mill fund	1,281	06
common school		
fund	913	58
State road	517	08
pensions	156	00
dog license refunded	18	10
railroad and tele-		
graph tax	5	14
schooling of chil-		
dren	53	25
account of State		
paupers	446	77
free high school . .	500	00
equalization fund .	350	00
highway mainten-		
ance	214	10
Town clerk dog license	35	00
Money hired from school fund	1,264	21
Merrill Trust Co., proceeds of note	1,950	00
E. V. Rand, hall rent	108	25
Merrill Trust Co., interest	22	75
High school tuition	191	75
Common school tuition, town of Crystal . . .	56	00
Miscellaneous	104	80
Joseph E. Cushman, balance due on tax deed	11	57
Wm. Rogerson, tax deed	94	61
	\$23,190	34

EXPENDITURES

By paid town orders	\$13,166 12	
State treasurer, State tax	2,317 77	
State treasurer, dog licenses	35 00	
State treasurer, highway mainten- ance	795 30	
P. L. Rideout, county tax	579 33	
Geo. S. Gentle Co., insurance	123 76	
Merrill Trust Co., note	2,000 00	
interest on town orders	14 65	
money hired from school fund	1,264 21	
interest on school fund loan	25 20	
treasurer of school fund, interest	348 05	
State pensions	156 00	
Cash on hand	2,364 95	
		<hr/> \$23,190 34

J. S. CROCKETT, Treasurer.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL FUND

The fund consists of the following:

Town order No. 1	\$	150 00	
Town order No. 96		1,760 00	
Town order No. 252		3,823 89	
Town order No. 397		2,900 00	
A. L. Hamilton's note		45 00	
Cash in Houlton Trust Co., as per Book No. 4,885		1,637 46	
		\$10,316 35	

INCOME FROM PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND

Interest on town orders Nos. 1-96-252-397 . .	\$345 35	
Interest on A. L. Hamilton's note	2 70	
Interest on funds in Savings Bank	25 20	
	\$373 25	

J. S. CROCKETT, Treasurer

Report of Town Clerk

To the citizens of the town of Sherman, I herewith submit the annual report of vital statistics, for the municipal year ending March 1st, 1917.

MARRIAGES

1916

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|--------|----|---|
| March | 22 | Harry A. Champion and Beulah P. Welch both of Sherman. |
| April | 1 | Vernon S. Patterson and Pearl May Joy both of Sherman. |
| May | 23 | Bernard C. Stubbs and Flossie A. Williams both of Sherman. |
| May | 30 | Charles C. Hawes and Ella G. Heath both of Patten. |
| May | 30 | Ivory B. Heath and Ruth E. Ingalls both of Sherman. |
| June | 6 | Harold S. Merry and Nina E. Cox both of Sherman. |
| June | 14 | Bennit Gould and Melvina Nickerson both of Sherman. |
| July | 19 | James Montgomery of Boston and Lena Hope Jameson of Sherman. |
| August | 24 | Herbert H. Follett of T. 2, R. 6 and Violet Golding of T. 2, R. 6. |
| Oct. | 25 | John A. Asnault and Mrs. May Bragdon both of Sherman. |
| Nov. | 5 | Charles Frederic Mullis of Stacyville and Effie May Gerald of T. 2, R. 6. |
| Nov. | 8 | Willie A. Landers of Sherman and Frankie Dearborn of Crystal. |
| Nov. | 23 | Kenneth E. Lane of Monticello and Miss Ruth Laura Scudder of Sherman. |

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| Jan. | 15 | Daniel Friel of Sherman and Alice Dechane of Crystal. |
| Jan. | 20 | George W. Frank and Mrs. Carrie S. Wren both of Sherman. |

BIRTHS

1916		
Mar.	4	To Miss Olive Stubbs, a daughter.
"	17	Mrs. Andrew J. Gantnier, a daughter.
"	20	" John H. Horsman, a daughter.
"	30	" Burleigh O'Roak, a son, stillborn.
April	16	" Roy Morgan, a daughter.
May	5	" Clarence E. Daggett, a son.
"	7	" Benj. E. James, a son.
"	20	" Jerry M. Emery, a son.
"	23	" Frank A. Ambrose, a daughter.
"	30	" Herman Elwell, a son.
June	13	" Irvin M. Huntley, a daughter.
"	19	" Katherine Rose, a son, stillborn.
"	20	" Erving W. Craig, a son.
"	22	" Clyde Bell, a son.
"	28	" Maurice E. Jackman, a daughter.
July	3	" Ivory B. Heath, a son.
"	7	" Jefferson L. Perry, a daughter.
"	12	" Charles L. Emery, a son.
"	16	" Fred A. Tarbell, a son.
"	20	" Soley B. Lord, a daughter.
"	29	Miss Bessie M. Blank, a daughter.
August	2	Mrs. Leon V. Bowers, a daughter.
"	25	" Wm. E. Huntley, a daughter.
Sept.	3	" Francis L. McNally, a daughter.
Nov.	13	" John Howe, a son.
"	21	" Charles H. Durgan, a son.
Dec.	21	" Guy L. Turney, a daughter.
"	25	Miss Sarah E. Pinkerton, a daughter.
1917		
Jan.	2	Mrs. James M. Emery, Jr., a son.
"	26	" Harry A. Champion, a son.
"	29	" Geo. T. Gosnell, a daughter.

Feb.	3	To Mrs. Winslow T. Collins, a son.
"	6	" Frank E. Heath, a son.
"	11	" Ralph E. Buzzell, a daughter.
"	25	" Benj. Sprague, a son, stillborn.
"	28	" Vernon S. Patterson, a son.

It sometimes happens that a birth is not reported to the town clerk's office; if any such omission is noticed, parents will please report the same to the clerk at once that proper record may be made.

DEATHS

1916			yrs.	mos.	dys.
March	5	At Bangor, Myrtle Ingalls,	Aged 24	6	14
"	16	At Caribou, Cora Estelle Junkins,	" 22	5	5
"	30	At Sherman, Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Burleigh O'Roak,	" —	—	—
May	24	" Augustus S. Woodard,	" 63	11	29
June	1	" Henry Gutemuth,	" 18	2	—
July	17	" Lloyd Roberts,	" 70	8	23
"	21	" Emeline B. Gould,	" 56	7	10
"	26	" Lizzie (Harvey) Smith,	" 57	5	12
Dec.	12	" Joseph W. Gilchrest,	" 85	—	—
"	26	" Mary Foster Kellogg,	" 77	1	24
1917					
Feb.	25	" Mary Cushman,	" 74	—	6
"	25	" Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Sprague,	—	—	—

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. AMBROSE,

Town Clerk.

School Report

COMMON SCHOOLS

Resources

Unexpended, 1916	\$ 524 80	
Credit, from high school supplies acct., 1916	27 75	
Appropriation, 1916	1,400 00	
State, common school fund	913 58	
State, school and mill fund	1,281 06	
State, equalization fund	250 00	
Interest on school fund	373 25	
Tuition, State; Harold Gantnier	8 25	
Tuition, Crystal	56 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,834 69

Expended

Paid teachers, Spring term:

Maude Lancaster	\$143 00	
Jennie Adams	143 00	
Gertrude Yeaton	139 25	
Mildred Briggs	99 00	
Verna Clark	110 00	
Beatrice Pond	110 00	
Grace Ogden	110 00	
Edith Howard	99 00	
Mary Proctor	132 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,085 25

Paid teachers, Fall term:

Maude Lancaster	\$148 50	
Mary Proctor	132 00	
Addie Moore	99 00	
Gertrude Yeaton	143 00	
Jennie Adams	148 50	
Inez Dickinson	110 00	
Helen Carson	99 00	
Emma Sleeper	121 00	
Beatrice Pond	121 00	
Fay Dunphy	132 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,254 00

Paid teachers, Winter term:

Maude Lancaster	\$121 50	
Maude Dubay	132 00	
Ivy Goding	99 00	
Gertrude Yeaton	143 00	
Jennie Adams	148 50	
Inez Dickinson	110 00	
Helen Carson	99 00	
Emma Sleeper	121 00	
Beatrice Pond	121 00	
Fay Dunphy	110 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,205 00

WOOD

Paid:

D. W. Long	\$24 50
Burns Bragdon	24 00
Lyman Hurlbert	20 00
Joel Neal	4 50
Granville Cox	3 50

Clifton Rand	4 00	
Jesse Morgan	4 80	
I. E. Seavey, cash paid	169 46	
Ed. Rand	8 00	
Ernest Butler	3 00	
Maurice Jackman	22 75	
George Mahan	10 66	
Sherman Lumber Co.	7 50	
George Gosnell	1 50	
George Perkins	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$332 17

JANITOR WORK

Paid:

E. C. Joy	\$96 40	
Verna Clark	5 50	
Frank Morgan	3 85	
Grace Ogden	3 85	
Charlotte Stevens	2 00	
Mildred Briggs	3 85	
Edith Howard	3 85	
Merle Cushman	12 00	
Clifton Irish	3 85	
Addie Moore	3 85	
Beatrice Pond	2 00	
Jesse Morgan	6 00	
Dean Daggett	6 00	
Gussie Frank	3 85	
Leslie Robertson	6 25	
	<hr/>	\$163 10

Paid tuition:

Stacyville, school year 1915-16	\$26 25	
Unexpended 1917	768 92	
	<hr/>	\$4,834 69

BOOK ACCOUNT

Town appropriation, 1916		\$350 00
Paid:		
Overdraft, 1916	\$59 72	
American Book Co.	83 31	
Charles E. Merrill & Co.	6 43	
E. E. Babb & Co.	64 02	
Charles Scribner's Sons	12 29	
Ginn & Co.	84 24	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	1 52	
Allyn & Bacon	9 97	
D. C. Heath & Co.	9 53	
Silver, Burdett & Co	10 67	
D. Appleton & Co.	7 00	
Unexpended, 1917	1 30	
	<hr/>	\$350 00

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES ACCOUNT

Town appropriation, 1916	\$600 00	
Overdraft, 1917	405 16	
	<hr/>	\$1,005 16

Paid:		
Overdraft, 1916	\$120 49	
Joel Lane, freight and trucking	33 88	
John Howe, labor on Goldenridge house	1 50	
Mary Bragdon, labor on No. 3 house	2 50	
I. E. Emmons, express and hauling	8 54	
J. L. Hammett & Co., paper and school supplies	72 51	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, seats and furniture	210 85	
D. H. Knowlton, promotion cards	50	
E. U. Rand, labor on school buildings	70 10	
G. C. Hight, cash paid, incidentals	29 43	
Charles Sleeper, carpenter work	112 35	

Walter Spooner, carpenter work	6 50	
Howard & Brown, diplomas	5 18	
Hazel Kelley, cash paid, incidentals	1 63	
Joseph Long, labor on Doble school	1 00	
I. E. Seavey, supplies and cash paid for labor and material	227 08	
Times Publishing Co., printing	5 83	
E. E. Babb & Co., school supplies and drink- ing tanks	9 72	
Dean Daggett, labor on Braggville house . . .	2 00	
Mrs. Frank Freil, labor at Braggville house .	1 00	
H. W. Morgan, carpenter work	8 75	
Jackman & Caldwell, supplies	6 05	
Verdi Ludgate, rent of house	30 00	
G. L. Daggett, iron work	5 35	
R. L. Esty, painting	12 50	
Dennis Lane, lumber	1 74	
L. V. Bowers, labor on village buildings . . .	7 88	
Patten Planing Co., labor	3 75	
W. H. Lewis, supplies	6 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,005 16

SPECIAL SUPPLIES ACCOUNT

State	\$100 00
Paid J. L. Hammett	\$100 00

GENERAL STATEMENT

Whole number of scholars in town, April 1, 1916	373
Number of weeks in school year	33
Number of teaching positions, common schools	10
Number of different teachers employed, Fall and Winter terms, 1916-17	12
Number of experienced teachers	9
Number of unexperienced teachers	3
Number of scholars registered in all the village schools, Fall and Winter terms, 1916-1917	163

The following statistics are for the school year ending July 1, 1916:

Whole number of scholars registered in town, common schools	275
Number registered in village schools	98
Number registered in rural schools	177
Number registered in high school	53
Total school registration	328
Number of boys, common schools	152
Number of girls, common schools	123
Number of boys, high school	18
Number of girls, high school	35

Number enrolled by grades, Spring term:

First grade	64
Second grade	29
Third grade	32
Fourth grade	14
Fifth grade	18
Sixth grade	11
Seventh grade	35
Eighth grade	10
Ninth grade	9
Number of teachers employed in common schools	11
Number of experienced teachers	9
Number of inexperienced teachers	2
Average weekly wages, board inclusive	\$10 80
Number of scholars with defective vision	32
Number of scholars with defective hearing	14

Teacher's Name	Wages per week			No. Registered			Average Attendance		
	S	F	W	S	F	W	S	F	W
Jennie Adams	\$13.00	\$13.50	\$13.50	22.	29.	31.	19.	26.	
Gertrude Yeaton	12.00	13.00	13.00	25.	26.	25.	22.	24.	
Maude Lancaster	13.00	13.50	13.50	46.	39.	35.	41.	35.	
Verna Clark	10.00			34.			29.		
Mary Proctor	12.00	12.00		33.			29.	27.	
Beatrice Pond	10.00	11.00	11.00	34.	30.	22.	28.	27.	
Edith Howard	9.00			18.			13.		
Mildred Briggs	9.00			19.			14.		
Grace Ogden	10.00			27.			23.		
Maude Dubay			12.00			25.			
Helen Carson		9.00	9.00		19.	14.		12.	
Addie Moore		9.00			15.			13.	
Ivy Goding			9.00			12.			
Emma Sleeper		11.00	11.00		24.	15.		21.	
Inez Dickinson		10.00	10.00		27.	23.		22.78	
Fay Dunphy		11.00	11.00		15.	14.		12.4	

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Unexpended, 1916	\$ 43 75	
Town appropriation	800 00	
State	500 00	
Tuition, Benedicta	189 00	
Tuition, Stacyville, school year, 1915-16 . . .	135 00	
Tuition, State	27 00	
Overdraft, 1917	221 85	
	<hr/>	\$1,916 60

Paid Instructors:

A. L. Todd	\$300 00	
Ruth Beane	199 98	
I. R. Harriman	666 66	
Louise Clark	416 66	
Hazel Kelley	333 30	
	<hr/>	\$1,916 60

HIGH SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Town appropriation, 1916	\$150 00	
Overdraft, 1917	112 13	
	<hr/>	\$262 13

Paid:

Overdraft, 1916	\$ 38 17	
L. E. Knott & Co.	47 12	
C. E. Joy	65 60	
E. E. Babb & Co.	56	
I. E. Seavey, ch. pd. wood	75 00	
Wood from common school acct., 1916	27 75	
W. H. Lewis	7 93	
	<hr/>	\$262 13

STATISTICS OF HIGH SCHOOL

	Fall term		Winter term	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
Whole registration	21	47	19	43
Average attendance	20	45.4	19.3	39.4
Percent of attendance	95	96.8	96.4	93.2
Number in college course	3	12	3	12
Number in English course	18	35	16	31
Number of Freshmen	8	16	7	13
Number of Sophomores	9	13	8	13
Number of Juniors	3	10	2	10
Number of Seniors	1	8	1	8
Not absent $\frac{1}{2}$ day	8	24	7	20
Resident students	14	32	12	29
Non-resident students	7	15	7	14
Average rank above 90%	2	13	3	14
Average rank below 75%	3	3	2	1

To the Superintendent and School Committee:

It is my privilege to present herewith my first annual report as Principal of Sherman High school for your consideration.

School began September 11th, with a very large attendance. The entering class of 24 made a sum total of 68 students during the Fall term. You will note by the statistics that the attendance has been satisfactory. I take great pleasure in presenting the following list of students who have maintained an average rank of 90% or more, and whose names are on the honor roll:

Boys: Ronald Cummings, Bertrand Hoyle, Jack Sleeper.

Girls: Nettie Daggett, Freida Robinson, Beulah O'Roak, Fastnet Joy, Pearl Hamilton, Julia Sides, Margaret Quailey, Dorothy Caldwell, Lora Sleeper, Doris Dickinson, Elsie Daggett, Blanch Sleeper, Doris Grant, Theresa LaPlant.

The teaching force has been completely changed during the year.

The addition of another teacher and a new division of work has improved the character of the work done and broadened the opportunities of the students.

I have charge of the work in Mathematics and the Sciences. Some new equipment has been placed in the Physics Department and more needed. In my opinion the work in Sciences needs special attention and improvement,

Miss Clark has had admirable success with her French and Latin classes. We feel that a large measure of our efficient work is the result of helpful suggestions from Miss Clark's wider field of experience.

The work in History and English under the direction of Miss Kelley has been full of that enthusiasm, which alone can harmonize the efforts of teacher and pupils. The outside activities have been carried on with unusual interest. I heartily commend Miss Kelley as an invaluable assistant in the activities of school life, outside the class rooms.

RECOMMENDATIONS

There is real need of an examination of our students once each year by a physician. Children are very often the prey of adenoids, without anyone comprehending the danger, until too late. The eyes should be more carefully examined than by the present system of test cards. The State law gives the school committee a right to appoint a physician, provided the town has so voted.

A proper patriotic spirit in our schools is one of the purposes of education—to cultivate an appreciation of our indebtedness to the past and a realization of the necessity of good citizenship for a continued national prosperity.

There is need of a school building attractively furnished, properly heated, lighted and ventilated and provided with sanitary toilet facilities. Such a building would be a source of benefit and satisfaction for generations to come.

I wish to call attention to the growing interest of our students in agricultural department at University of Maine. Courses in Elementary Agriculture are now being offered in many schools. The State gives an appropriation of \$500 for the starting of a specified course or series of courses. Such a course in a new building might increase the interest of the boys of our town in practical lines of education.

I submit this report and these recommendations in the best interests of the town of Sherman and its future citizens.

Respectfully yours,

I. R. HARRIMAN

To the citizens of Sherman:

Among the necessary changes and improvements for the past year have been the painting of three schoolhouses; the establishing of a school at or near Braggville; the finishing of an assistant's room for the high school; as three teachers were needed this year, an out-building for the grammar and intermediate grades; the fencing of school yards and other usual and necessary repairs.

Among the needed improvements for the coming year are new seats, better hearing facilities, new closets, and more maps and black-board room and other minor repairs and supplies for the Doble school. This school has been so small for several years that little has been done to keep the building and equipment in first class order, but the school is growing. The registration this year is about twenty scholars while there are several smaller ones who have not yet entered school. New seats are needed at the Morgan and Goldenridge schools and additional equipment. Inside repairs would help the house at number one. There are many other improvements needed but as our policy is and has been to make them gradually, we expect to make the most necessary ones only this year.

We have a temporary arrangement with Mr. Ludgate to use one of his houses for the scholars living near Braggville. This bridges us over the difficulty there till some permanent adjustment can be made. This school has about fifteen scholars.

There is need of additional equipment at Woodbridge, such as slates, maps, etc. The house at number three is in excellent condition.

There is one need that has been called to your attention many times and is growing more urgent every year. We have tried to meet the crowded condition in our village schools without affecting their efficiency by resorting to methods that we can no longer use. To make more room for our growing schools the selectmen vacated

their office in the town hall that it might be used for a laboratory and recitation room for the high school which became for the first time a two teacher school. Later our schools increased so that another grade teacher was needed and again the selectmen were kind enough to vacate the office they had in the Mason building that it might be used for an intermediate room. Again our high school needed another and third teacher and a small room has been finished in the corridor of the town hall this year. There seems to be no more rooms available for school purposes and still our schools are overcrowded and the outlook for the opening of the Fall term of schools appears worse than at any time in the past. We have a total registration this Winter term in the grammar school of 31 scholars and in the intermediate 25, making a total of 56. In both rooms there are 57 seats and the condition is so crowded that with the teacher's desk close to the front seat in the grammar room there is not space to pass behind it without stepping on the platform of the alcove. Of this number seven are ninth grade scholars, but there are 19 in the third grade to come to this building next Fall and if no one drops out or no new ones come in there will be a registration in the two rooms of 68. If we judge by the past there will be more come in than will go out and it is not unreasonable to expect from 70 to 75 scholars next year with a seating capacity crowded to the limit of 57. We are unable to meet this situation with our present accommodations.

Our high school is larger than we expected having a total registration of 68 of whom about 60 remain in the school. Several entered from other towns without sufficient preparation and a few others have dropped out. We expect no material increase next year, but as there are approximately thirty eighth grade scholars in town we may expect very material increase in two years. We, therefore, recommend that the town build a high school building sufficiently large to accommodate the high school scholars and the three upper grammar grades.

Our high school is under the instruction of three able teachers, two of whom are graduates of Bates College and one of Colby. The work is growing very satisfactorially.

It is interesting to note that several of our young graduates are persuing courses in Normal schools, business colleges and University of Maine and others are engaged in teaching. Two of our town girls have completed normal courses and have come back as teachers in our rural schools. Four other teachers, one of whom is a graduate of our high school, who have partly completed normal courses have been teaching in our rural schools with splendid success. Only two schools have been under the instruction of teachers who have had no further training than the high school gives and these have done very satisfactory work for young teachers.

Our village grades have been under the same able instructors as of last year with the usual splendid results.

Our estimates for the coming year are: common schools, \$1,400, high school, \$1,300; repairs, \$900; books, \$300; high school supplies, \$225.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. SLEEPER,	}	School Com.
I. E. SEAVEY,		of
S. L. HOLMES,		Sherman.

G. C. HIGHT, Superintendent.

