Annual Report of the Treasurer, Selectmen, and Superintending School Committee of the Town of Hermon for the Year Ending March 1, 1901

Hermon (Me.)
Municipal Officers of the Town of Hermon,
For the Year 1900-01.

SELECTMEN:

Town Agent ........................... H. B. Leathers.
Town Clerk ............................ Thurston Hunt.
Town Treasurer ......................... Thurston Hunt.
Constable ............................. G. E. Tebbetts.

SCHOOL BOARD:
J. M. Taylor, C. N. Patten, Thurston Hunt.
Supervisor of Schools, Rufus Robinson.

BOARD OF HEALTH:
T. G. Kimball ......................... Term expires May, 1901
Dr. F. P. Whitaker, Sec'y ............ Term expires May, 1902
J. M. Taylor .......................... Term expires May, 1903
TREASURER'S REPORT.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND CITIZENS OF HERMON.

GREETING:

The following is a correct statement of the business transacted by your treasurer for the year ending March 1, 1901:

DR.

April 12, To Cash on hand ................. $ 321 48
    Amount due from G. E. Tebbetts, Collector 1,292 36
    One tax deed ................................ 16 92
    Cash from E. G. Fuller by J. M. Taylor 9 75
    30, Dog license refunded by state ...... 71 64

May 9, Warrant No. 729, from state, burial of soldiers .......... 35 00
    State tax ................................ 1,045 15
    County tax ................................ 473 61
    Tax voted and raised by the town .... 3,815 00
    Overlays made by assessors ............. 57 99
    School fund and mill tax ............... 1,001 47

Oct. 5, Cash from town of Pembroke .......... 24 25

Nov. 16, Supplementary tax ................. 4 00

Dec. 31, From state reimbursements for sheep killed ........... 48 00

Jan'y 23, Railroad and telegraph tax ....... 3 06

1900 CR.

May 4, By 59 town orders ................. $ 514 58
    State tax ................................ 1,045 15
    County tax ................................ 473 61

1901

Mar. 1, 285 town orders ................. 5,068 48
    2 town orders ......................... 41 00
    1 tax deed ................................ 16 92
    Cash on hand .......................... 13 61
    Balance due from G. E. Tebbetts, Collector .... 1,046 24

$8,219 68

Respectfully submitted,

THURSTON HUNT,
Treasurer of Hermon.

HERMON, March 1, 1901.
SELECTMEN’S REPORT.

Value of resident real estate ................. $251,403 00
" " personal estate .................. 51,936 00
" " non-resident real estate ............. 35,804 00
" " personal estate .................. 574 00

Total valuation of estates ................... $339,717 00

Whole number of polls assessed, 318, @ 2.00, $636.00.
Per cent. on each dollar, .014 mills.

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax required by warrant to be assessed .... $1,045 15
County tax " " " " .................. 473 61
Voted and raised by town for schools ............. 1,100 00
For support of poor .................................. 600 00
Cash for roads and bridges ....................... 1,400 00
For contingent expenses ......................... 500 00
Banking and cleaning school houses ............... 50 00
Repairs on school houses ........................... 150 00
Memorial expenses ................................. 15 00

Total appropriations including State and
County tax ...................................... $5,333 76
Overlayings made by assessors ................. 57 99

Total amount committed .......................... $5,391 75
Supplementary tax made by Assessors, Nov. 6, 1900, .. 4 00

Total tax ............................................. $5,395 75

SCHOOL FUND.

Unexpended balance ................................ $ 70 29
Amount raised by town ............................ 1,100 00
State school fund and mill tax ................... 1,001 47

Total .................................................. $2,171 76

Paid school bills of 1900-01 .................... 2,015 45

Unexpended balance ................................ $156 31
REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.
Raised for repairs of school houses ..................... $150 00
Paid repairs on school houses ............................. 95 03
Unexpended balance ........................................ $54 97

SCHOOL BOOKS.
Raised nothing.
Paid for school books ........................................ $ 90 65

CLEANING AND BANKING SCHOOL HOUSES.
Raised for cleaning and banking school houses . . 50 00
Paid for cleaning and banking school houses . . . 21 50
Unexpended balance .................................. $28 50

APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES.
Raised nothing.
Paid for apparatus and appliances ................. $24 33
Paid fencing school lot No. 1 ...................... 10 00

SUPPORT OF POOR.
Raised for support of poor ................................ $600 00
Insane Hospital, Everett Gubtil ..................... $156 29
" " James Staples ........................................ 149 73
Chas. Booker, support of Emma Tewksbury ....... 79 75
Thomas G. Kimball, support of Dolly Jennis ....... 91 00
Mrs. Banks, support of E. G. Fuller ............... 8 00
John Clark & Co., clothing for E. G. Fuller ...... 1 68
Selectmen, burial of Chas. Cook ...................... 24 25
H. B. Leathers, care of tramps ...................... 1 50
J. M. Taylor, " " .......................................... 1 00
F. P. Whitaker, medical attendance Mrs. Tewksbury 6 00
Town of Searsport, supplies to R. M. Young ..... 7 97
Expense of Dolly Jennis ............................... 1 20

Rec'd of E. G. Fuller reimbursement for
board ................................................ $ 9 75
Rec'd town Pembroke, reimbursement for
burial of Chas. Cook ............................. 24 25

Actual cost of poor ................................................ 494 37
Unexpended balance ........................................ $105 63
BARBED WIRE FOR ROAD FENCE.

Paid for barbed wire ............................................. $49.75
Raised nothing.

DOGS.

Damage to sheep by dogs ....................................... $48.00
This sum has been reimbursed by the State.

MEMORIAL EXPENSES.

Raised for memorial expenses ................................ $15.00
Paid Grand Army Post memorial expenses .................. 15.00

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Raised for contingent expenses .............................. $500.00

- Paid Alonzo Newcomb, watering tub for 1899 ........ $1.50
  - L. D. Snow, work in cemetery in Snow's Corner ... 4.50
  - J. B. Miller, wood for town house ................. 1.50
  - Wm. Bowen, cleaning town house .................... 1.50
  - C. H. Glass & Co., reports of 1899 .............. 13.75
  - Liberty Wetherbee, work in cemetery ............... 5.00
  - H. C. Warren, work in cemetery .................... 2.00
  - G. W. Hopkins, watering tub, 1899 .............. 1.50
  - L. M. Hewes, " " 1900 ................................. 1.50
  - R. B. Dunning & Co., pump and pipe .............. 7.38
  - F. A. Bishop, watering tub, 1899 .................. 1.50
  - G. W. Chase, work in cemetery ...................... 3.00
  - C. P. Brackett, services as Ballot Clerk .......... 4.00
  - C. N. Patten, same .................................. 4.00
  - J. W. Leathers, same ................................. 4.00
  - L. D. Snow, same ..................................... 4.00
  - Alonzo Newcomb, watering tub, 1900 ............. 1.50
  - H. B. Leathers, services, Selectman, etc. ....... 75.00
  - H. B. Leathers, use of team ........................ 8.00
  - J. M. Taylor, services Selectman, etc. .......... 45.00
  - J. M. Taylor, services as School Committee .... 10.00
  - C. S. Grant, services as Selectman, etc. ........ 40.00
  - H. B. Leathers, stationery and postage .......... 3.00
  - F. P. Whitaker, Sec'y Board of Health ........... 5.00
  - F. P. Whitaker, reporting births and deaths ..... 3.00
  - Rufus Robinson, Superintendent of Schools .... 110.00
  - J. M. Taylor, services as Health Officer for 1900 1.50
  - Thurston Hunt, services as School Committee, .... 10.00
  - Thurston Hunt, recording births and deaths ..... 5.55
Paid Thurston Hunt, services as Town Treasurer ............................... $35 54
C. N. Patten, services as School Committee .................. 10 00
F. A. Bishop, watering tub for 1900 ......................... 1 50
J. M. Taylor, wood for town house ........................ 1 00

Total ................................................ ... $529 39

Abatements made to Geo. E. Tebbetts on his collections of 1899 ................................................ $58 35

BURIAL OF SOLDIERS.

Paid burial of Almond Clark ............................... $35 00
This has been reimbursed by State.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Raised for roads and bridges .................................. $1,400 00

Paid C. H. Moore, labor on highway ....................... $1 00
G. A. Snow, same ........................................ 1 00
C. E. Phillips, same ...................................... 4 35
C. P. Webber, same ....................................... 3 00
W. Hammond, same .......................................... 2 80
J. L. Annis, same .......................................... 13 77
J. P. Prescott, same ....................................... 6 00
W. A. Littlefield, same .................................. 5 15
Augustus Tarr, same ....................................... 3 85
J. R. Lynn, same ........................................... 1 65
Arvin Annis, same ........................................... 3 95
M. W. Clark, same .......................................... 5 00
C. C. Nowell, same .......................................... 1 50
G. E. Kimball, same ......................................... 4 25
Freeman Henderson, same .................................... 1 00
Horace Curtis, same .......................................... 80
B. A. Triggs, same ............................................. 4 00
Geo. Tebbetts, same ......................................... 3 60
A. K. P. Patten, same ........................................ 1 50
J. A. Snow, same ............................................. 1 10
R. H. Nowell, 2nd, same ................................... 75
Amos Garland .................................................. 5 30
J. D. Fuller, same ........................................... 3 59
S. M. Luce, same .............................................. 6 15
John B. Miller, same .......................................... 3 15
L. D. Snow, same ............................................. 4 42
W. H. Kimball, same ......................................... 1 10
C. Patten, same ............................................... 3 50
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Sumner Pomroy, same .................................. 2 63
Sam Grant, hauling plank ................................ 10 00
J. B. Miller, labor on highway ...................... 30 76
J. P. Prescott, same .................................. 30 01
F. A. Wing, same ......................................... 60 63
E. H. Annis, same .................................. 8 00
Taylor Clark, same .................................. 3 33
E. W. Bowen, same .................................. 3 00
M. C. Ham, same ........................................ 14 94
M. W. Clark, same .................................. 6 12
Chas. Kimball, same .................................. 6 25
Lewis Kimball, same ................................ 8 75
Alonzo Newcomb, gravel for highway ............. 15 00
Wm. Bowen, labor on highway ...................... 14 12
Welden R. Grant, same .................................. 14 00
Otis J. Bowen, same .................................. 2 12
L. M. Hewes, same .................................. 8 94
C. B. Dore, same .................................. 11 94
C. M. Couant & Co., plow point and fixtures
for machine ............................................. 4 00
George Wharton, labor on highway .................. 1 25
George A. Snow, same .................................. 12 82
C. A. Philbrook, blacksmith work .................... 2 40
C. P. Webber, labor on highway .................... 10 93
Ellis W. Bowen, same .................................. 21 00
Thomas G. Kimball, same ................................ 3 50
John Kirk, same .................................. 2 50
Chas. A. Bryant, same .................................. 10 80
J. B. Derry, same .................................. 4 25
Llewellyn Annis, same .................................. 12 00
S. M. Luce, same .................................. 15 00
M. C. Ham, same .................................. 10 00
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H. F. Tibbetts, same .................................. 6 50
Arvin Annis, same .................................. 12 12
C. N. Patten, same .................................. 25 57
C. P. Brackett, blacksmith work .................... 2 00
Welden R. Grant, labor on highway ............... 5 00
R. B. Dunning, repairs on machine .............. 8 50
H. B. Leathers, labor on highway .................. 37 00
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Paid C. P. Webber, labor on highway ................. $39.60
C. N. Patten, same ........................................ 24.36
Geo. H. Smith, same ........................................ 24.98
Taylor T. Clark, same ..................................... 11.32
A. A. Morrison, same ..................................... 47.05

Total expended ............................................ $2,294.50

LIST OF POOR.
Dolly Jennis at T. G. Kimball's at $80 per year,
Emeline Tewksbury at Chas. Booker's at $1.50 per week.
Everett Gubtill and James F. Staples at Insane Hospital.

RECAPITULATION.
Orders drawn and paid March 1, 1901 .................... $5,524.25
Orders outstanding ......................................... ... . 291.16
State tax ............................................................. 1,045.15
County tax ............................................................. 473.61

Total expenditures .......................................... $7,334.08

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES.
Paid for schools ................................................... $2,015.45
Repairs on school houses ....................................... 95.03
School books ....................................................... 90.65
Cleaning and banking school houses ....................... 30.75
Apparatus and appliances ..................................... 24.33
Fencing school lot No. 1 ........................................ 10.00
Support of poor ................................................... 528.37
For barbed wire .................................................... 49.75
Damage to sheep by dogs ...................................... 48.00
Memorial expenses ................................................ 15.00
Contingent expenses ............................................. 529.39
Abatements ......................................................... 58.35
Roads and bridges ................................................ 2,294.50
State tax ............................................................. 1,045.15
County tax ............................................................. 473.61
Burial of Almond Clark ........................................... 35.00

Total expenditures ............................................ $7,334.08

Balance due collection of G. E. Tebbetts' .......... 1,046.24
Add outstanding orders, 1899 ................. 100.00
One tax deed ........................................... 16 92
Cash on hand ........................................... 13 61

Deduct outstanding orders of 1900 .................. 291 17

$1,176 77

885 60

$8,219 68

ASSETS, MARCH 1, 1901.

Balance due on G. E. Tebbetts' collection, 1900 $1,046 24
One tax deed ........................................... 16 92
Cash in treasury ........................................... 13 61

$1,076 77.

LIABILITIES.

Due T. G. Kimball, support of Dolly Jennis .......... 12 00
Insane hospital, estimated ................................ 60 00
Chas Booker, support of Mrs. Tewksbury ............. 8 00
Morse & Co.'s bill ........................................... 89 75
E. F. Dillingham ........................................... 11 47
Unexpended balance of school fund ................... 156 31
Outstanding orders ......................................... 291 16
G. E. Tebbetts, premium collection, 1899 ........... 105 00

Total liabilities ........................................... 733 69

Balance in favor of town ................................... $343 08

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. B. LEATHERS, ) Selectmen
J. M. TAYLOR, ) of
CHAS. S. GRANT, ) Hermon.
Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF HERMON:

The following is a brief report of the schools of your town for the past year, which I most respectfully submit.

To be as brief as possible, and not deeming it necessary to give a detailed report of each school, I shall speak of them as a whole, yet shall endeavor to point out what, in my opinion, has been detrimental to the advantages and best improvement of any school, and shall make such suggestions as my duty as superintendent calls for.

We all are liable to make mistakes, but we have reached a safe point when we are willing to stand face to face with them and resolve to be rid of them.

We have maintained thirteen schools in town the past year, each having three terms, aggregating twenty-four weeks.

We found 396 scholars between four and twenty-one years of age as they existed on the first day of April; sixteen under five years of age, making 380 eligible to attend school. The number attending the Spring term was 226; Fall term, 247; Winter term, 229, making an average attendance for the year, 234. From these figures there have been 146 scholars deprived of schooling the past year.

The school in No. 4 was suspended and the scholars transported to No. 1, which made a large saving financially, and in my opinion, was an advantage to both schools in an educational point of view, as either school alone is too small to be interesting to either teacher or scholars.

With a few exceptions the schools have been very satisfactory, many of them I consider up to the standard of other schools in the state; but in some instances I think too young teachers have been employed, not that they are deficient in
book learning, but have not arrived to that age that will enable them to command the respect that is necessary in the school room; they are a child with a child.

In a few instances scholars have been allowed to remain out of school, for no fault of the teacher, but merely a whim of their own; this has occurred in the largest degree in School No. 8. At my last visit to this school, Winter term, there were only four scholars present; School No. 6 was somewhat affected with the same trouble. I consider parents are committing one of the greatest crimes of their life when they allow their children to remain from school when it is possible to have them attend.

The school houses and outbuildings are in fairly good condition, many of them having been quite extensively repaired the past year, House No. 6 being an exception, which I consider worthless for a school building.

Our text books, many of them, are unfit for use. They have been in the hands of the scholars many years and are worn out, beside many of them are out of date, and I would recommend a change, more especially the Geography, History, Grammar and Reader.

In conclusion I wish to remind you that there is existing throughout the State an increased interest in the schools which is encouraging, and a sure prophecy of great improvements in the future. Let us profit from our past neglect, and our future advantages for making these improvements.

Your school officials have sought to discharge the duties devolving upon them with unprecedented faithfulness, and I, as Superintendent, have endeavored to direct and encourage both teacher and scholars whenever I have considered it an advantage to do so. I have endeavored to discharge all duties devolving upon me faithfully and impartially, hoping you have been benefitted thereby.

I am most respectfully,

RUFUS ROBINSON,
Superintendent.

Hermon, March 1st, 1901.
## Statistics from Teachers' Registers

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