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Chapter 3. Section 38, of the Revised Statutes of Maine, says:

"Persons charged with the expenditure of the money of a town, shall, on or before the morning of each annual meeting, make a full, detailed, written or printed report of all their financial transactions in behalf of the town during the municipal year immediately preceding, with a full account of the receipts and disbursements during that period, and to whom, and for what purpose each item of the same was paid, with a statement in detail of the indebtedness and resources of the town."

A report of this kind has never been made in the past, and although such a report will materially increase the size and expense of a Town Report, still, we see no reason for violating and neglecting to comply with an explicit direction embodied in the statutes of the state, for this cause.

In this report, so far as pertains to any item of expense for which we are responsible, we shall endeavor to lay the facts fully before you, that you may be able to see clearly and understand for what the disbursements, made by us, have been made.

VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1887.

Amount of Resident Real Estate $182,000,00
" Personal Estate $73,769,00
" Non Resident $28,375,00

Total $284,044,00
MONEY RAISED AND ASSESSED FOR ’87

Highway Tax ........................................... $2000.00
Overlay .................................................. 54.72

Total.............................................. $2054.72

MONEY TAX

Support of schools.................................. $1000.00
" Poor.............................................. 600.00
Defraying Town Charges..................... 500.00
County Tax........................................ 364.08
State Tax.......................................... 841.96
Highway Money Tax............................ 500.00
Overlay ............................................. 20.97

Total............................................. $3827.01
Deficient Highway Returned.................. 31.57

Total............................................. $3858.58

Number of Polls Taxed 233.
Rate per cent on Highway Tax: 0.06 on $1.00
" " Money Tax: 0.11 on $1.00

POLL TAXES.

On Highway Tax.................................... $1.50
Money Tax........................................ $3.00

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount voted by the town....................... $1000.00
" Received from the state ..................... 484.08
Interest on school fund........................ 32.80

Total............................................ $1516.88

The following is a statement of the town orders drawn from Feb.
17, 1887—where the town report of last year ends—to the date of
this report, with a detailed statement of the items of expense on
all debts contracted since March 7, 1887, the date of the last annual
meeting, and the date, and to whom paid, in the order of drawing, also a schedule of all other orders drawn since the making of the last report, and a detailed statement of the debt for which each was drawn, so far as known.

ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN
OF LAST YEAR SUBSEQUENT TO FEB. 17, 1887.

Feb. 21, Stephen B. Rowe, boarding teacher in Dist. No. 2 ...................................................... $37.70
   " 21, Flora M. Bradbury, teaching school in Dist. No. 2 ......................................................... 40.50
   " 26, Jared F. Berry, breaking road in Dist. Mo. 21. March 4, Pendexter & Sanborn, clothing for paupers .. 1.50
Feb. 26, Jared F. Berry, breaking road in Dist. Mo. 21. March 4, Pendexter & Sanborn, clothing for paupers 1.35
March 4, Jonathan Alexander, repairs on school house in District No. 3 ............................................ 1.05
   " 4, George W. Moulton, boarding teacher in Dist. No. 3 ........................................................... 18.96
   " 4, Mrs. Marion Wentworth, teaching school in Dist. No. 3 .................................................. 48.00
   " 5, Nathaniel Robinson, breaking Thomas Freeman road ..................................................... 3.00

ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN
OF THIS YEAR.

March 15, A. W. Walker, wood furnished School Dist. No. 3 .............................................................. $6 35
   " 15, Charles Holbrook & Co., ................................ 16.85
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   Items.
   Express on same ................................ .35.
   $16.85
March 15, Abbie Harnden, teaching school in Dist.
No. 4............................................................ 42.00

" 23, Almon Pingree, balance due for services as
Selectman for 1886............................................ 7.00

" 23, Almon Pingree, breaking road in Dist. No.
18, for 1886................................................ 2.50

" 23, Jared F. Berry, breaking road in Dist. No.
18, for 1886................................................ 2.25

" 23, A. F. Trumbull, breaking road in Dist. No.
18, for 1886................................................ 3.00

" 23, Loring, Short & Harmon......................... 12.88

Items.

March 22, 1 Valuation Book, 40 sheets........ $4.00

2 doz. H. W. Surveyors books................... 2.00

1 Collector's book................................. .90

50 School Supt. certificates................... .30

1-2 doz. Treasurer's bonds...................... .25

1-2 doz. Constable's bonds...................... 25

1-2 doz. Notices to draw Juror............... .13

1 town order book................................. 2.25

3 doz. pens.............................................. .30

1-2 doz. pencils....................................... .20

1 box envelopes....................................... .50

3 packages legal envelopes................... .45

1 pint Stafford's ink.......................... .35

5 quires paper....................................... .75

Express on same..................................... .25

12.88

March 24, Frank True.................................. $6.65

Items.

Breaking road in district No. 6 for year 1887, himself,
and 3 men 11 hours each, 15c per hour, $6.65

March 24, W. W. Berry................................. $35.04

1886.

Items.

Aug. 20, 200 lbs. middlings.................. 2.60
Sept. 8, 200 lbs middlings ........................................... 2.60
  " 22, 4 bush. meal .............................................. 2.60
  " 22, 1 " " ................................................. .50
Oct. 4, 4 " " delivered ........................................... 2.50
Dec. 18, 200 lbs. shorts ......................................... 2.10
  " 18, 140 " feed flour ........................................ 2.00
  " 18, 100 " cotton seed meal ................................ 1.50

1887
Jan. 20, 200 lbs. shorts ........................................... 2.10
  " 20, sack of flour ............................................ 2.00
Feb. 21, 200 lbs. middlings ..................................... 2.60
  " 21, sack of flour ............................................ 2.00
  " 21, 103 lbs. shorts ......................................... 1.28
March 4, 8 bush. meal ............................................. 4.60
  " 4, 133 lbs shorts ........................................... 1.66
  " 4, 200 " middlings ........................................... 2.60

$35.04

March 31, Alanson St. Clair Emerson ....................... $48.54
  Items.
  Balance due 4th qr. salary as overrun of town farm.

The balance of 4th qr. salary is made up of items of account furnished by Emerson; of mdse. sold by him, belonging to the town. Above mdse. bought by him, amounting to...$13.96

62.50

March 31, Inhabitants of Sebago ............................ $75.00
  Items.
  For support of Eleanor Nason, pauper ...................... $53.25
  Last of suit .................................................. 21.75

75.00

April, 11. H. M. Moxcey ....................................... $7.80
  Items.

March, 18. Breaking roads in district No. 6 2 men and
  8 steers, 8 hours each ........................................ $6.00
April 3, Breaking roads in district No. 6, 1 man and 8 steers 3 hours each................................. 1 80

April 15, Chas E. Smith, Boarding teacher in district No. 4..........................................................§21,00
April 30. Rufus Bennett ..............................................§12,55
Repairs on school house in district No. 3.
6 M Shingles............................................................ 10,00
Nails........................................................................ 1,30
Repairing seats....................................................... ,50
Balance due Albert Walker for supplies for previous year......................................................... ,75

May 2. Lyman L. Groves .............................................$4.00
Work on road in district No. 14. March, 14, & 15---- $3,00
April, 3,........................................................... 1,00

May 11. Isaac W. Gray, 3 M Shingles furnished school district No. 11 ............................... $9,75
May 12. Mrs. Horace Blake, Cleaning school house in Centre school district .................. $8,00
May 20. E. E. Swan..................................................§19,25
Repairing Road Machine;
Blades and putting on............................................... $9,00
Setting tire.................................................................. 4,00
Repairing pole and other repairs............................. 1,25
Making arm and spring ................................... 1,00
Painting machine.................................................. 4,00

$19,25

June 17. Wm. Fessenden work in highway district No. 1 ...................................................$25,50

June 7, 4 days work ............................................. $6,00
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March 14, 1 days work...

April 3, ½ days work...

25 per cent. discount leaves...

July 2, Wm. Cutler, teacher's board in school district No. 9...

" 6, Eva Winn, teaching school in school district No. 9...

" 11, Gilbert Warren...
(11)

**Items.**

Board of teacher in school district No. 8 $12.06
Screens............................................................. .35
Broom.............................................................. .25
Cleaning school house................................. 2.34

$15.00

July 11, Flora M. Bradbury, teaching school in school-district No. 2 $36.00
July 15. Carrie Gilman, teaching school in school-district No. 8 $29.25
July 15, Hattie L. Abbott, teaching school in Centre district $50.00
July 15, Lillian M. Wentworth, teaching school in school-district No. 1 $36.00
July 16, Elbridge Thorn, 1st qr. salary as overrun on town farm $62.50
July 18, Effie L. Poor, teaching school in school district No. 6 $27.00
18, Walter Berry ......................................................... 13.80

**Items.**

Board of teacher in school district No. 6 12.60
Cleaning School house.............................. 1.00
Paid J. V. Smith for to district census return......... .20

$13.80

July 19, Dudley S. Perkins repairing road in dist. No 20 $14.40

**Items.**

May 1, 10 hours work.............................................. $1.50
2, 30 " " " ................................................. 4.50
June 10, 5 " " ................................................ .75
June 3, 30 " " ............................................... 4.50
June 14, 21 " " ............................................ 3.15

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1885, Nov. 17, 3 spools thread ........................................  .15
   " " 2 tie chains .................................................. .50
   " " 2 lbs. putty ................................................... .10
1886, Feb. 10, 6 yds. cotton ........................................... .48
   " " 1 pr. overalls .............................................. .50

Aug. 2, I. H. Berry, 10 bush potatoes for planting on
poor farm ............................................................. 3.50
   " " L. A. Ingalls, balance due for services as
selectman for 1886 ............................................... 10.00
   " " L. A. Ingalls, mdse. for town farm ......................... 10.51
Feb. 16, to 3 tob .................................................. 1.00
   " " 1-2 bush salt ................................................  .30
   " " 2 gal. ker ...................................................... .30
   " " 5 lbs. coffee ................................................ 1.15
   " " 2 " soda ......................................................... .14
   " " 1 broom ......................................................... .25
March 7, " 1-2 lb. tea ................................................ .25
   " " 2 gal mol ...................................................... .80
   " " 1 pr. suspenders ............................................. .25
   " " 1 gal ker ...................................................... .15
   " " 1 pr. moccasins ............................................. 2.50
   " " 29 lbs. sugar ............................................... 2.03
   " " 1 " tea ......................................................... .45
   " " 2 " soda ......................................................... .14
   " " 4 yds. crash ................................................ .24
   " " 1 thread ...................................................... .04
   " " 1 pr. long boots ............................................ .90
   " " 1 " rubbers .................................................... .40

   11.29

   Cr. by bal. on butter and ham .................................. .78

   10.51
Aug. 10, Thomas Freeman, breaking roads in highway district No. 6, for 1886 ............... 4.50

"  11, O. Q. Libby, boarding teacher in school district No. 4 ..................... 14.50

"  13, 1887, Sidney Orcutt, wood for school district No. 1 ...................... 4.72

"  20, A. R. Wentworth, work in highway district No. 9 ......................... 5.00

Items.

June 24, 1 day’s work.................................................. 1.25

  " 25, 3 “ .................................................. 3.75

Aug. 20, Annie Boston, teaching school in school district No. 13 ........... 9.00

August 30, D. P. Lord, Mdse for Town farm ....... 50.00

1887.

Items.

April 19, 1 bag meal................................................ 1.25

  3 lbs. tobacco............................................. 1.35

  3 " tea................................................. 1.50

  1 lb. Salt Peter....................................... .18

April 30, 3 lbs. coffee ........................................... .66

  6 spools thread........................................ .30

May 5, ½ bushel redtop.......................................... .25

  ½ " herds grass..................................... 1.15

  15 lbs. clover........................................ 1.43

  3 bolts............................................... .15

May 11, 500 lbs. fertilizer............................... 10.00

  6 " clover............................................. .60

  1-4 bushel herds grass............................. .58

  1-4 " redtop......................................... .13

  1 pair Ox bows..................................... 1.25

  2 gallons molasses.................................. .80

  4 boxes salt........................................ 1.00

  1 bbl. flour........................................ 5.75
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Balance of account carried to items under "Order drawn Feb. 13, 1888."
Sept. 1, A. R. Wentworth, work in highway dist. No. 9 ........................................ $4.50

Items.

June 24, 1 days work by J. Merrifield ...................... $1.25
25, 2 " " " ........................................ 2.50
Plow ............................................ .75

Sept. 1, James A. Head, work in highway district No. 17 ........................................ 63.00

Items.

June, 3 days’ work .................................................. 4.50
Aug. 19, 7 " " ................................................... 10.50
20, 10 " " ................................................... 15.00
22 to 27, 22 days’ work ........................................ 33.00

Sept. 3, N. Robinson, work in highway district No. 6. 20.45

Items.

June, 10 hours’ work .................................................. 1.50
Aug. 23, 64 " " ................................................ 9.60
" 2 horses eight hours ........................................ 1.00
25 45 hours work ............................................. 6.75
" 2 horses 5 hours ........................................... 1.00

Sept. 5, E. P. Ingalls, work in highway district No. 1 ........................................ 4.80

Items.

Aug. 14, 3 hours’ work ........................................... .45
23, 6 hours’ work, himself and boy ...................... 1.30
" 6 " " A. D. Fessenden ................................ .90
" 6 " " Hadley Jack .................................. .90
15, 5 " " himself and boy ........................ 1.25

Sept. 7, Minnie Gore, teaching school in school district No. 9 ........................................ 29.40

10, Isaac W. Gray, pail, dipper and chalk for school district No. 11 .............................. .70
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Items.

March 14, 9 hours work .....................................  $1.35
15, 19 " " ..............................................  2.85
23, 18 " " ..............................................  2.70
26, 7 " " ..............................................  1.05
April 3, 8 " " ..............................................  1.20
4, 8 " ..............................................  1.20
30, 9 " ..............................................  1.35

Oct. 26, S. F. Tibbetts, repairing bridge at Holt's Mills .......................................................... 29.63

Items.

Work of himself and Ernest Gilman, Oct. 17, 18, 19 20 .......................................................... 12.00
" Geo. Booth, Oct. 20, ½ day and Oct 22 ½ day .......................................................... 1.50
" Joseph A. Holt, Oct. 20, ½ day ...................................... .75
" Himself and Ernest Gilman, Oct. 22, ½ day, and Oct. 24, 1-2 day ........................................ 3.00
Paid Emery Lord for 11 stringers and 2 ties ............ 8.50
Spikes ............................................................................ .88
1 pr. horses 2 days .......................................................... 3.00

Nov. 11, Georgia A. Bennett, teaching school in school district No. 3, and board ............ 35.00
18, Effie L. Poor, teaching school in school district No. 6 .................................................. 24.90
19, A. L. Whitney .......................................................... 61.25

Items.

Teaching school in Center school district .......... 60.00
Erasers .......................................................... 1.25

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1885.

Aug. 29, to one day and horse and expenses to Denmark in suit vs. city of Biddeford...... 7.00
Oct. 7, S. J. C., 1885, to writ, services, entry, travel, attendance and services in suit vs. Biddeford and services in office in drawing writ.......................... 20.00
Feb. 7, S. J. C., 1886, to services in suit vs. Biddeford, got judgment and pauper charged to them............................... 20.00

1887.
To term fee in Jan. 7, Superior Court, Portland, in action Sebago vs. Denmark.......... 6.00
1887.
To term fee Feb. 7, Superior Court, Portland, in action Sebago vs. Denmark.......... 6.00

Contra.

By collected of Biddeford.........................20.00

Balance............................................. 39.00

Dec. 15, Alvin Richardson, wood for school district No. 8................................. 4.00

20, Moses E. Wentworth, work in highway district No. 16..................... 14.25
Oct. 29, himself and others, 5 days' work................. 7.20
Dec. 3, “ “ “ 3 “ and 2 hours' work. 4.80
9, “ “ “ 1½ “ work............................ 2.25

Dec. 20, Moses E. Wentworth, wood for school district No. 9........................... 3.00
21, Lester H. Warren, teaching school in district No. 8, and board........... 78.00
28, Geo. O. Allen, board of teacher in district No. 2, summer and fall terms........ 21.85
31, Edwin Pingree, abatements for 1886........ 41.94
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$41.94

1888.

Jan 3, Augustus Ingalls .............................................. 8.51

Jan. 20, sawing 1,350 clapboards .................................... 6.75
Dec. 6, 147 ft. sawed pine timber for town house ............... 1.76

8.51

1888.

Jan. 14, H. A. Blaisdell .............................................. 11.25

May 24, work in district No. 16, 3 men and 4 oxen ............ 7.50
June 3, 1-2 days work ................................................. 75
May 24, Moody F. Walker and another, 1-2 day .......... 1.50
" " " " " " 2 horses, " .............................................. 1.50

11.25
Jan. 21, S. D. McKusick, work on highway in district No. 8 ............................................... 5.49

Items.

June 10, 3-4 days' work each, himself, J. F. Berry, A. G Jewett, and yoke of oxen ............ 4.49
Plow 1-2 day .......................................................... .50
Repairing ............................................................... .50

Jan. 21, John W. Roberts, work in highway district No. 14 .............................................. 3.75

Items.

March 14, 7 hours' work .............................................. 1.05
16, 3 " " ................................................................ .45
26, 5 " " ................................................................ .75
28, 7 " " ................................................................ 1.05
30, 3 " " ................................................................ .45

Jan. 30, Geo. W. Gray, repairs to town house ............ 3.50

Items.

1 1-2 days' labor ...................................................... 2.25
Paid G. A. Wentworth for 1-2 day's labor .............. .75
" E. E. Swan blacksmith bill .................................... .50

Jail, 25, Lillian Wentworth, teaching school in district No. 9 .............................................. 52.35
30, Ada L. Harnden, teaching school in district No. 8 ......................................................... 11.22
" Orrin L. Harnden .................................................. 2.25

Items.

1 cord wood .............................................................. 1.60
1 box crayons .......................................................... .20
1 broom .................................................................. .25
Jurat fees paid J. N. Smith, scholars' census .......... .20

Jan. 30, Geo. W. Gray, repairs to town house ........ 3.50

Items.
1888.
Feb. 11, A. F. Trumbul, highway work in district No. 18........................................................ 6.00
   Items.

1888.
Jan. 28, 29 and 30, 5 days' work........................................... 5.00
Feb. 10 1 " " ............................................ 1.00
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1888.
Feb. 11, Edwin Pingree, abatement of taxes assessed in 1886...................................................... 6.10.
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Feb. 11, Edwin Pingree, commission for collecting taxes for 1886............................................ 72.02

1888.
Feb. 11, Geo. W. Gray, services as treasurer for 1887

1888.
Feb. 11, A. D. Fessenden, discount on taxes paid before Jan. 1, 1888........................................... 126.33

1888.
Feb. 13, S. G. Davis, for money paid out for 1887. $6.68
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Feb. 13, Isaac H. Berry, cash paid on Nason pauper case................................. 3.40

1888.
Feb. 13, S. G. Davis, services as selectman for 1887. 42.25

1887.
March 12, 1-2 day’s work in office.................................................. .75
19 " " " " " .................................................. .75
24 " " " " " .................................................. .75
25 1 day at Limington, Eleanor Nason case............................................. 1.50
31 " " " office making surveyor’s limits and records................................ 1.50
April 1 and 2, taking valuation, self and team....................................... 6.00
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, and 12, working in office, assessing highway tax and copying into surveyor’s books................................. 12.00
23, 1-2 day’s work at office............................................................ .75
30, making militia roll and report to State supt. comm. schools................ 1.60
May 26, 1-2 day laying out A. Pingree road........................................... .75
Aug. 15, 16, 17 and 18, making money tax............................................. 6.00
Oct. 10, 1-2 day letting A. Pingree road............................................... .75
27, " " " examining and accepting A. Pingree road.................................... .75
Dec. 10, 1-2 day at town house............................................................ .75
31, " " " office.................................................. .75
Feb. 11 and 13, making report............................................................ 3.00
Work on report, drawing orders, &c. at various times............................. 4.00

Feb. 13, Isaac H. Berry, for services as selectman for 1887.......................... 36.00

1887.
March 12, 1-2 day’s work at office.................................................. .75
19, " " " " " .................................................. .75
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1888.

Feb. 13, John Colby, services as selectman for 1887. 35.50

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20, “ “ “ “ .................................. .75
Oct. 15, going to Holt’s Mills ...................................... 1.50
20, repairing highway in district No. 12 ............... 1.00
May 5, 1-2 day in the Stephen Gilman case—pauper claim against town of Baldwin for supplies furnished ........................................ .75

1888.
Feb. 11, Nelson L. Thomes, repairs on school house district No. 1 ........................................ 1.50
13, L. A. Poor, teaching school in district No. 1 58.50
“ Cathie Jewett, services as supervisor of schools ..................................................... 51.00

Items.
Visits, Centre district ............................................. 10.00
“ No. 1 “ .............................................. 4.00
“ “ 2 “ .............................................. 6.00
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“ “ 13 “ .............................................. 1.00

Feb. 13, S. T. Brown, services as town clerk ........... 10.00
1888.
Feb. 13, D. P. Lord, for mdse. for town farm ........ 27.37

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“ 1 oz. nutmeg ............................................. .10
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**FOREGOING EXPENSES CLASSIFIED.**

Orders drawn by Selectmen of last year subsequent to making their report.

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**ORDERS DRAWN ON CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS OF SELECTMEN OF LAST YEAR.**

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Aug. 1, Wm. Fessenden ............................................... 15.00
6, L. A. Ingalls ................................................... 10.00
10, Thomas Freeman ............................................. 4.50
1888.
Jan. 14, H. A. Blaisdell ....................................................... 11.25

Total......................................................... $123.13

**ADDITIONAL ORDERS DRAWN ON DEBTS CONTRACTED LAST YEAR, SAVE SCHOOL ORDERS.**

1887.
M. March 15, Charles Holbrook & Co ........................................ 16.85
31, Alanson St. Clair Emerson ........................................ 48.54
" Inhabitants of Sebago ........................................ 75.00
Aug. 2, Knapp & Sanborn ........................................... 3.73
Oct. 13, J. N. Smith ..................................................... 2.09
Dec. 9, Hastings & Son ........................................... 39.00
Aug. 6, L. A. Ingalls .................................................... 10.51

Total......................................................... $195.72

**ORDERS DRAWN SINCE MAKING LAST REPORT FOR WORK ON HIGHWAYS BY SELECTMEN OF LAST YEAR.**

1887.
Feb. 26, Jared F. Berry, district No. 21 .................... $ 1.50
March 5, Nathaniel Robinson, district No. 6 ............ 3.00

BY SELECTMEN OF THIS YEAR.

1887.
March 23, Almon Pingree, district No. 18 ................. 2.50
" Jared F. Berry, " 18 ......... 2.25
" A. F. Trumbull, " 18 ........ 3.00
24, Frank True, " 6 ........... 6.65
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Total.................................................. $65.08 $326.25

Total amount expended...................................... 465.33
Money highway tax for 1887................................. 500.00

It will be seen that of the $500 money highway tax, $74 was expended in building the Augustus Pingree road; $65.08 for highway taxes worked before the last annual meeting.
The balance of $326.25 expended, has been for work done this year, in keeping the roads passable, the purpose for which the money was really raised. The amount now due for breaking roads will not increase this amount to $375, the sum expended for work done this year and now due.

PAUPER EXPENSES.

Amount paid since making last report for bills that accrued before last annual meeting:

March 4, Pendexter & Sanborn .............................................. $ 1.35
24, W. W. Berry ............................................................ 35.04
31, Inhabitants of Sebago .................................................... 75.00
Aug. 2, Knapp & Sanborn .............................................. 3.73
6, L. A. Ingalls ............................................................ 7.47
Oct. 13, J. N. Smith ........................................................ 2.09
Dec. 9, Hastings & Son .................................................... 39.00

$163.68

Expenses between annual meeting and March 31, 1887:

Aug. 6, L. A. Ingalls .................................................... $ 3.14

Expenses this year:

March 31, A. St. Clair Emerson .............................................. 62.50
July 16, Elbridge Thorn .................................................... 62.50
Aug. 30, D. P. Lord .................................................... 50.00
Oct. 8, Elbridge Thorn .................................................... 62.50
1888.
Jan. 21, Elbridge Thorn .................................................... 62.50
Feb. 13, D. P. Lord .................................................... 27.37

$327.37

Total totals .......................................................... 494.19
Raised for support of poor ............................................. 600.00
Money in overseers’ hand ............................................. 9.63
The household furniture on the town farm when the present overseer took possession, consisted of 2 platters, 2 meat plates, 2 pudding plates, 1 milk pitcher, 7 stone jars, 4 lamps, 6 tin 2 qt. basins, 19 tin pans, 12 knives, 10 forks, 4 ten qt. tin pails, 1 six qt. tin pail, 2 lard tin pails, 2 three pt. basins, 1 one qt. dipper, 1 two qt. dipper, 2 pt. dippers, 1 two gal. jug, 1 one gal. jug, 3 looking glasses, 6 stoves, 2 pork barrels, 5 flat irons. 1 bail butter box, 1 bail sugar firkin, 2 chopping trays, 1 bean pot, 2 cream pots, 1 porcelain kettle, 1 milk qt., 1 tea canister, 4 baker’s sheets, 3 sieves, 2 pie forks, 1 baking tin dish, 3 tin pie plates, 1 coffee pot, 1 tea pot, 1 butter stamp, 6 meal bags, 1 sugar bowl, 5 tumblers, 1 molasses dish, 1 mortar and pestle, 2 butcher knives, 1 churn, 4 lard firkins, 2 washboards, 3 tubs. 1 washing machine, 1 wringer, 3 iron kettles, 2 fry kettles, 2 dishpans, 1 steamer, 1 pr. scissors, 1 lantern, 1 clock, 1 coffee mill, 1 wash boiler, 3 handle baskets, 1 bushel basket, 1 half bushel measure, 3 slop pails, 2 wash dishes, 1 leach tub, 1 oil can, 1 gal. jug, 5 roller towels, 4 short towels.

And the following farming tools: 1 grind stone, 3 ox chains, 2 wood saws, 1 hand saw, 1 square, 4 axes, 1 bit stock, 3 bits, 1 monkey wrench, 2 chisels, 2 draw shaves, 1 corn knife, 2 stub scythes, 1 snath, 3 hay scythes, 2 manure forks, 2 hoes, 2 pitch forks, 1 wire clothes line, 1 pick, 2 crow bars, 1 cart and wheels, 2 shovels, 1 drag, 1 wheel barrow, 3 plows, 1 harrow, 1 hayrack, 2 nail hammers, 1 wood sled, 2 drag rakes, 1 hand rake, 1 ox yoke with bows, ring and staple, 1 yoke with ring, 1 tobacco cutter.

And bedding and other furniture as follows: 17 fair comforters, 4 poor comforters, 12 comforters brought by Mrs. Lord, 1 spread, 3 light stands, 5 tables, 2 bureaus, 7 bedsteads, 18 sheets, 13 pillow cases, 12 pie plates, 17 table plates, 7 saucers, 9 cups, 7 bowls, 8 tea spoons, 5 table spoons, 9 feather beds, 11 straw beds, 1 mattress, 19 pillows, 10 blankets, and 22 chairs.

The overseer this year has bought one yoke and bows at an expense of $2.69, and a five gallon jug at a cost of 60 cts.

The oxen upon the place last year have been exchanged for those now there, and thirty dollars received in making the exchange.

No other change has been made in the stock on the farm. We value the oxen at $90. When the report was made last year the two cows were valued at $60. We have valued them this year at $70. Last year they were farrow; this year they are not. The heifer last year was one year old, and was valued at $10. We value her this year at $25. She is with calf. This year there is one pig, valued at $10. Last year there were two, valued at $16. This year there are 17 hens. Last year there were 40. Value of
hens, $6.  Total, $201.

The produce and groceries now on hand are as follows: 8 tons of hay, $36; 1 ton corn fodder, $4; 1 ton straw, $3; 55 bushels corn on cob, $22; 4½ bushels of oats, $2.25; 1-4 bushel salt, 15 cts.; 30 lbs. fresh meat, $2.70; 1 lb. Paris green. 25 cts.; 20 lbs. cotton seed meal, 28 cts.; 2½ bushels cob meal, $1; 1 bbl. flour, $6; ½ bushel middlings. 40 cts.; 3 1-2 gal. molasses, $1.40; 1 box salt, 25 cts.; 13 1-2 lbs. sugar, $1.20; 1 1-4 lbs. tea, 62 cts.; 3 lbs. soda, 24 cts.; lot of spices, 65 cts.; 1 lb. salt petre, 15 cts.; hard soap. 20 cts.; 3 1-2 bushels pea beans, $9.62; 18 qts. yellow eyed beans, $1.15; 1-2 bushel garden beans, $1.15; 1 1-2 bushel peas, $2.25; 60 lbs. dried apples. $3 60; 71 lbs. lard, $7.10; 2 1-2 bbls. soft soap, $7.50; 300 lbs. pork, $30; 10 lbs. butter, $2.00; 1 1-2 doz. eggs, 36 cts.; 1 1-2 bushel beets, 60 cts.; 5 bushels turnips, $2; 4 qts. seed onions, 50 cts.; 3 bbls. apples, $3; 300 bushels potatoes, $22.50; lot of cabbage, $1.00; 1 1-2 gal. kerosene oil, 22 cts.; 1-4 gross matches, 20 cts.; tobacco, 80 cts.  Total, $238.84.

From the proceeds of the farm, he has sold as follows: 6 bushels apples, $1.98; 48 lbs. dried apples, $1.44; 1 ½ doz. eggs, $2.34; yellow eyed beans, $7.02; oats, $10.75; 29 lbs. butter, $5.29; 49 1-4 lbs. fowls, $3.94; 10 1-4 bushels potatoes, $8.25; cabbages and turnips, $5.65; 4 bbls. apples, $8; 1-2 bushel beans, $1.25; hoop-poles, $1; 1-2 bushel peas in pod, 25 cts. In addition to this, $11.40 appearing in D. P. Lord's account. For pasturage of cattle, $3. Labor done by overseer off from farm, $5. Total, $76.56.

From the proceeds of the farm has been bought as follows: Tobacco, 40 cts.; 1 file, 13 cts.; molasses, 80 cts.; salt fish, 64 cts.; 4 yds. crash, 38 cts.; 1 box salt, 25 cts.; soapine, 41 cts.; 1 ox goad, 25 cts.; 1 yoke, $1; 1 gal. vinegar, 16 cts.; 1-2 bushel potatoes, 15 cts.; J. T. Blake, for flour, $6; use of bull, 25 cts.; 1 plow point, 50 cts.; 2 bbls. flour of A. Harmon, $10.50; 5 lbs. soda, 25 cts.; 1 1-2 lbs. tea, 75 cts.; horse hire, 50 cts.; 1 pig, $2; mending boots, 60 cts.; 15 gal. jug, 60 cts.; solder for mending pans, 6 cts.; blacksmith work, $7.40; tea and oil, 65 cts.; yarn, 25 cts.; and mdse. to the amount of $11 40 of D. P. Lord. Total, $46.28. He has also paid Perley & Berry $20.65, leaving in his hand, $9.63. There are also on the farm 1,350 base clapboards, worth $20 or more.

Six hundred dollars was raised for the support of the poor. Now, while there has been $494.19 expended, the cost since the present overseer went on the farm, April 1, 1887, has been only $317.74 above the income of the farm; and there will, presumably, be no increase of expense prior to town meeting, as the overseer was instructed to furnish himself with sufficient supplies to last till that time.
TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Amount paid to Town Officers of last year for services, and to whom paid:

1887.
March 23, Almon Pingree ..................................................... $7.00
Aug. 6, L. A. Ingalls ............................................................ 10.00

Town Officers of this year:

1888.
Feb. 11, Geo. W. Gray ............................................................ 16.00
  " S. G. Davis .............................................................. 42.25
  " I. H. Berry .............................................................. 36.00
  " John Colby ................................................................ 35.50
13, Cathie Jewett ................................................  51.00
  " S. T. Brown .............................................................. 10.00

$207.75

Amount expended for collection of taxes and orders of abatement:

1887.
Dec. 31, Edwin Pingree.........................................................$ 41.94
1888.
Feb. 11, " " ........................................................................ 72.02
  " " ........................................................................ 6.10
  " A. D. Fessenden, 5 per cent. discount ..................... 126.33

$246.39

Money expended to pay Town charges:

1887.
March 15, Charles Holbrook & Co. ..................................... $ 16.85
23, Almon Pingree ............................................................  7.00
  " Loring, Short & Harmon ................................................. 12.88
May 20, E. E. Swan ........................................................... 19.25
Aug. 6, L. A. Ingalls .......................................................... 10.00
1888.
Jan. 3, Augustine Ingalls ....................................................  8.51
30, Geo. W. Gray ............................................................  3.50
11, S. G. Davis ...............................................................  6.68
  " I. H. Berry ...............................................................  3.40

$ 88.07
Town officers’ bills ............................................... 207.75
For collection of taxes and abatements ................. 246.39
$542.21

Amount raised for defraying town charges ................. 500.00

Money received by the Selectmen of Town during the year and turned into the Treasurer:

Highway tax of Tobias Lord, last year ..................... $ 7.77
"  "  "  N. W. Adams "  "  "  "  .84
"  "  "  A. & P. B. Young, last year ..................... 3.38
"  "  "  R. F. Chase, "  "  "  "  1.01
"  "  "  W. H. Tarbox, "  "  "  "  1.88
"  "  "  J. F. Grover, "  "  "  "  1.35
"  "  "  D. R. Hastings, "  "  "  "  8.44
"  "  "  Tobias Lord, this year ..................... 10.35

Balance between oxen—town farm .................................30.00
Use of road machine .............................................. 5.00

$70.02

LIABILITIES.—OUTSTANDING NOTES.

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$1,050.00 $38.45

Principal and interest ........ ..................... $1,088.45
(38)

OUTSTANDING ORDERS FOR 1883.

1883.
April 21, Almon P. Pingree............................................... $180.00

1884.
Feb. 15, Georgia A. Bennett............................................. 60.00
22, Moses L. Sanborn.................................................... 90.00
28, Minnie J. Pingree.................................................. 45.00

1887.
Jan. 14, H. A. Blaisdell.................................................. 11.25
Feb. 11, N. S. Thomes.................................................... 1.50
13, John Colby.......................................................... 35.50
Due the several school districts.................................... 568.61
Interest on outstanding orders, estimated........................... 50.00
Due superintendent on farm, April 1, 1888....................... 62.50
Commission for collecting tax for 1887............................ 57.87
Interest on school fund................................................. 32.80

$2283.48

RESOURCES.

Due from A. D. Fessenden, collector......................... $1,477.86
Amount in treasurer’s hands...................................... 795.39

TAXES RETURNED TO TREASURER, 1885.

C. W. McKenney..................................................... 66.82
1886.
Emery Lord............................................................. .50
Freeman Pugsley..................................................... 3.85
Albert G. Berry...................................................... 4.00
Wilson Harnden...................................................... 1.00
W. Douglass............................................................ .30
Aaron McKenney..................................................... 2.77
C. W. McKenney..................................................... 62.91

$2,415.40

Resources in excess of liabilities............................... $131.92
We have put into the liabilities the commission for collecting the tax of this year, and the amount due the overseer on town farm, because they have appeared in the liabilities in former reports. While they will become liabilities in the future, they are not liabilities now, not being now due.

We have added to the liabilities the interest on the school fund, because this interest has to be paid each year with money raised by the town, the fund being town orders on deposit.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTS SINCE ANNUAL MEETING.**

**CENTRE DISTRICT, EPHRAIM SANBORN, Agent.**

To amount unexpended last year .............................................$ 38.17

" proportion of school money for 1887 .................................. 432.63

$470.80

**Cr.**

May 12, paid Mrs. Horace Blake ............................................$ 8.00

July 15, " Hattie L. Abbott.................................................. 50.00

" " G. A. Wentworth.................................................. 17.50

Oct. 13, " J. N. Smith.................................................. 9.87

Nov. 19, " A. L. Whitney.................................................. 61.25

" " Hattie L. Abbott................................................ 40.00

24, " Joseph Bennett.................................................. 22.00

25, " G. A. Wentworth................................................ 14.00

$222.62

Balance due.................................................................................$248.18

**NO. 1. NELSON S. THOMES, Agent.**

**Dr.**

To proportion of School Money for 1887......................... 101.48

**Cr.**

Overpaid last year................................................................. .58

July 15, Paid Lillian M. Wentworth.......................... 36.00

Aug. 13, " Sidney Orcutt................................................ 4.72

1888.

Feb. 11, " N. S. Thomas................................................ 1.50

" 13, " L. A. Poor...................................................... 58.50

Total................................................................. 101.30

Balance due................................................................. .18
(40)

NO. 2. GEORGE A. ALLEN, Agent.

Dr.
To amount unexpended last year................................. .03  
To proportion of school money for 1887....................... 144.21

$144.24

Cr.
June 27, Paid Edwin Pingree................................. $ 4.25  
July 11, " Flora M. Bradbury................................. 36.00  
Oct, 13, " J. N. Smith............................................. .68  
Nov. 19, " Mary E. Keith........................................ 35.00  
" 20, " Geo A. Allen............................................. 21.85

$ 97.78

Balance due................................................................... $46.46

No. 3. RUFUS BENNETT, Agent.

Dr.
To amount unexpended last year................................. $ 10 63  
" proportion of school money for 1887....................... 192.29

$202.92

Cr.
March 15, paid Albert W. Walker............................. $ 6.35  
April 30, " Rufus Bennett........................................ 12.55  
June 27, " Ernest Gilman........................................ 7.28  
July 29, " Georgie A. Bennett................................. 66.00  
Nov. 11, " " " ..................................................... 35.00

$127.18

Balance due............................................................. $ 75.74


Dr.
To amount unexpended last year................................. $ 75.65  
" proportion of school money for 1887....................... 133.52

$209.17
Cr.
March 15, paid Abbie Harnden..............................................,$ 42.00
April 15, " C. E. Smith ...................................................... 21.00
July 27, " Carrie N. Chadbourne ................................. 32.50
Aug. 11, " O. L. Libby ..................................................... 14.50
Nov. 21, " Geo. W. Howard ................................................... 3.20

$113.20
Balance Due.................................................................$95.97

NO. 5.
To amount unexpended last year...............................$ 28.11
" proportion of school money for 1887........................ 26.71

$54.82
No School in this District

NO. 6. WALTER BERRY, Agent.
Dr.
To amount unexpended last year...............................$ 3.01
" proportion of school money for 1887........................ 96.14

$99.15

Cr.
July 18, paid Effie L. Poor..................................................$ 27.00
" Walter Berry.......................................................... 13.80
Nov. 18, " Effie L. Poor ................................................ 24.90
Dec 1, " Walter Berry................................................... 11.45

$77.15
Balance due.................................................................$22.00

NO. 7. ORRIN L. HARNDEN, Agent.
Dr.
To proportion of school money for 1887.......................$ 21.37
Cr.
Nov. 21, paid J. N. Smith ..................................................$ 7.87
1888.
Jan. 30, " Ada L. Harnden .............................................. 11.22
" Orrin L. Harnden ........................................................... 2.25

21.34
Balance due.................................................................$ .03
NO. 8. GILBERT WARREN, Agent.

Dr.
To amount unexpended last year. $15.07
" proportion of school money for 1887 112.16

Cr.
July 11, paid Gilbert Warren $15.00
15, " Carrie Gilman 29.25
Dec. 15, " Alvin Richardson 4.00
21, " Lester H. Warren 78.00

Balance due .98

NO. 9. H. M. HARTFORD, Agent

Dr.
To amount unexpended last year $4.30
" proportion of school money for 1887 90.79

Cr.
July 2, paid Wm. Cutler $11.20
6, " Eva Winn 22.00
Dec. 20, " Moses E. Wentworth 3.00
1888
Jan. 25, " Lillian Wentworth 52.35

Balance due $6.54

NO. 10. STILLMAN R. SWAN, Agent.

Dr.
To amount unexpended last year $39.62
" proportion of school money for 1887 85.45

$124.47
(43)

Cr.
July 29, paid Josie Keith ........................................................ $ 42.00
    " 29, " Stillman R. Swan ............................................ 16.25
Nov. 19, " Josie Keith ............................................. 48.00
Dec. 7, " J. G. Swan ........................................................ 5.00

$111.25

Balance due ..............................................................................$13.22

NO. 11. I. W. GRAY and EBEN BLAISDELL, Agents.

Dr.
To amount unexpended last year ............................................$ 51.08
    " proportion of school money for 1887 .................. $ 64.10

$115.18

Cr.
May 11, paid Isaac W. Gray ...................................................$ 9.75
Sept. 7, " Minnie Gore .................................................. 29.40
    " 10, " Isaac W. Gray ............................................. 70
Dec. 2, " C. B. Smith .................................................. 72.00

$111.85

Balance due ..............................................................................$3.33

NO. 13. LEVI W. MERRIFIELD, Agent.

Dr.
To proportion of school money for 1887 .................. $ 16.03

Cr.
Overpaid last year ..............................................................$ 5.87
August 20, paid Annie Boston ........................................... 9.00

$ 14.87

Balance due ..............................................................................$1.16
In the foregoing report, we have endeavored to present to you a plain and minute account of our stewardship for the year now ending. In addition to the remarks incidentally made in connection with, and explanatory of, the various matters alluded to in the previous pages, there are a few things that we deem it advisable to mention.

In response to our notice for bids by persons desirous of taking charge of the Town Farm, four bids were made. One person, whose family consisted of his wife and a child of the age of eleven years, offered to take charge of the farm for two hundred and fifty dollars, if he could have the privilege of keeping his horse on the farm during the summer season for the work that it would naturally be expected to do. Another offer was by a person whose family consisted of his wife only, and this person asked two hundred and sixty-five dollars. Another offered to take charge for two hundred and fifty dollars and his family consisted of a wife and a child some four years old. Another offered to take charge for two hundred and fifty dollars, whose family consisted of his wife alone. This offer being the lowest, and other things not differing materially so far as we could determine, we employed the person making it, and he has been serving as overseer for the past year. We believe he and his wife have been honest, industrious, capable and economical, and think the expense of carrying on the farm so shows. The terms of the contract, which is in writing and on file in the town office, are that the overseer will do all the work on said farm without other expense to the town than the two hundred and fifty dollars; and take good care of the paupers on the farm; and that his full time and all his earnings shall be applied to the benefit of the town; and that his wife shall join with him in performing this labor, and shall be bound by the same agreements with which he has bound himself. The paupers who have been on the farm this year are John Bachelder, Seth Grover, Betsey Jordan and Sarah E. Travers.

At the last annual meeting, the management of the lawsuit against Denmark by Sebago for supplies furnished Eleanor Nason, pauper, now dead, was left to the present board of Selectmen, and the statement was then made by them, that, in view of the fact that the pauper was dead, and without issue, so that no future liabilities could accrue, and the uncertainties of the result of a trial,
and the comparatively small amount involved, they should probably pay the bill. The advice of the eminent counsel who had been employed in the case—D. R. Hastings—and who was presumably conversant with all the testimony adducible in the case, was, as appears by his letter on file, that "the bill is too small to litigate and the chances are against you." The trial had been agreed upon and assigned for the first of April after our annual meeting in March, during which time the roads were almost impassable, so that the present Selectmen had no chance for investigation, and so no means of forming a judgment in the case from personal interviews with those who would have been witnesses. They endeavored, by personal conferences with the authorities of Sebago and Limington—the parties interested in the suit—to effect a compromise, but were unable to do so, and, as a last resort, just prior to the holding of the court, paid the claim.

P. P. Larrabee, the town agent of Sebago, wrote us, "I think now we will make a very small discount, but it will necessarily be very small, and I shall make the offer only as an inducement to an early settlement, and if you wish to avail yourselves of it, shall want you to do so before we do anything more towards getting ready for the trial." Although notice was sent them at once that a settlement would be made, whatever of an agreement to discount may be expressed in these words, was utterly repudiated, and, Shylock like, payment was demanded to the uttermost farthing.

The town agent of Limington, and one of the selectmen, had no doubt that Limington would pay a part of the bill, but they did not feel at liberty to make a settlement, as a town meeting had been called to consider the matter. The action of the town meeting was a declination to contribute.

In June we received a notice from the overseers of the poor of Temple, that Asa Peary and family, of Perkins' Plantation, had fallen into distress, and that relief had been furnished on the account of the town of Denmark. Diligent inquiry of the oldest inhabitants of Denmark, failed to discover who Asa Peary is. It is conjectured that he is probably the son of Moses Peary who lived here years ago, and that is all the light obtainable. A letter was sent to the overseers of the poor of Temple asking for information, but it never was answered. July 6th a notice of denial was sent to Temple, with another letter of inquiry, in a registered letter, which was received—as appears by registry return receipt—but no letter has been received in reply and the matter remains in abeyance.

It became apparent, soon after the annual meeting, that in some of the highway districts there was no tax due for repairing the
roads. Owing to the severity of last winter, the cost of breaking out the highways was so great, that many had not only worked out their highway tax for 1886, but had worked enough to cancel their highway tax of this year, and considerably more. Under an un­written law in this town, that has existed from time immemorial, the overworked highway tax of one year is allowed on the highway tax of the next year. A vote of this kind is frequently passed at the annual meeting, although in response to no article in the town meeting warrant. This work on the highways is presumably done under the direction of the surveyor; and is done because necessary in keeping the public highways open; and consequently pay for this work is justly, if not legally, due. Were it not voluntarily done; in the belief that in some way it would be paid for—either by being allowed on the next year’s tax, or by a town order, in some cases, perhaps—the Selectmen would be called upon, and they would be obliged to order the work done—for the public ways must be kept open for travel—and so make the town legally holden for payment.

The Selectmen, believing that they had no moral, if legal right, to spend money for repairing the highways, that had not been raised for that purpose, called a town meeting to raise money for repairing the highways, and to ask instructions as to the payment of that part of the overworked tax of 1886, which exceeded the tax assessed against the individual for 1887. Five hundred dollars were raised for repairing roads, and it was voted not to pay individuals for overwork in 1886, in excess of the tax assessed against them in 1887. It was the expression of the meeting that overwork in 1886 should be allowed to the amount of any one’s tax in 1887. Whether this vote, refusing payment for work done, was, or was not, wise, we shall not assume to determine; but this much, at least, we know: That the inhabitants have been thrown on their guard, and that laborers on the highways have made themselves sure of their pay before doing the work. For this reason, and the fact that the highway tax of this year, was to a great extent worked out by the overwork of last year. The apparent cost of keeping the roads in repair this year has been very much greater than heretofore.

Orders have been drawn for highway work, done last year, to Almon Pingree, Jared F. Berry, Albert F. Trumbull, Ezra Davis, H. A. Blaisdell and William Fessenden; but the Selectmen of last year certified in writing, that this work was done under their direction, thus making the town legally holden.

We venture the suggestion that a new departure, in this town, in
repairing the highways would be both fitting and just. As this business is now managed, we believe that either the burden falls unequally upon the inhabitants, or else that some portions of the town must have very much better roads than other portions.

For instance, District No. 2, familiarly known as the South Road district, with its wealth, having this year a highway tax of $367.41, and its five miles of road comparatively easy to keep in repair, must bear a very much lighter burden than district No. 5, known as the Nason district, with its three taxable inhabitants, having this year a highway tax of $8.54, and its two and one-half miles of road to keep in repair.

There are other districts in town where the burdens are nearly as unequal. Nor can this injustice be obviated by re-districting the town by reason of the existing distribution of wealth and inhabitants. If a highway tax is raised sufficiently large to answer the needs of the poorer districts, it will be far beyond the needs of the richer districts. And, on the other hand, if the tax is only sufficient for the richer districts, it becomes wholly inadequate for the poorer districts. There seems to be but two ways for remedying this wrong, for wrong we believe it to be. Either the whole highway tax should be a money tax, or the labor highway tax should be only large enough to answer the needs of the populous and rich districts, and an additional money highway tax should be raised sufficient to supply the needs of the remaining districts, not provided for by the labor highway tax.

When it has been necessary to draw orders to pay for work on the highways, the surveyors were instructed to make only such repairs as were absolutely indispensable, and to employ help as cheaply as possible. The bills presented by the surveyors show but little diversity in the price of labor in the various districts. In district No. 18, labor in June seems to have been worth one dollar a day. In No. 9 and 10, one dollar and twenty-five cents a day. In No. 21, one dollar and ten cents a day. In all the other districts where orders have been drawn for the payment of labor, it has been worth, uniformly, one dollar and fifty cents a day, whenever done, save the bill of J. Greely Swan, which averages considerably less.

Agreeably to a vote of the town, the expenses of building the Augustus Pingree road, amounting to seventy-four dollars—building and land damages—was paid out of the $500 raised for the repair of roads.

Bills for breaking roads this winter in highway districts No. 1, 6, 14, 18 are now unpaid, not having been presented up to the date of making this report.
March 8th a letter was received from W. F. Chase, of Cornish through and by his attorney, E. L. Poor, of Sebago, giving notice that he "received damages," in Denmark, "March 5th, 1887, by reason of bad roads, for which he" claimed "twenty-five dollars." Believing that no damages could be collected, no attention was taken of the notice, and no suit has been commenced.

Nov. 8th Moses A. Wood, of Denmark, notified the town that "in consequence of a fractured rib, and receiving other painful injuries, by having buckboard overturned and injured," he would, "when well, bring action against the town to recover damages, unless a fair settlement can be made beforehand," and that the accident happened Nov. 4, 1887, on road from Perley's Mills, specifying location and nature of defect.

Nov. 22nd another notice was received from him claiming damages to the amount of five hundred dollars for "a broken rib, internal injuries, bruises of right leg, arm and shoulder, and other wounds of body, and a severe shock to his whole system and person," received at time and place specified in first notice.

Although sympathizing with Mr. Wood for whatever injuries he may have received, we believe that the facts in the case, which go to make up a legal claim against the town, are not sufficient to render the town liable.


This year a money poll tax has been assessed against William Bean, Chesley Tibbetts and James B. Cole—omitted last year—and it has been taken off of E. G. Wentworth. It has long been a custom in this town to omit the poll tax after a man became seventy years old, although this custom has not been invariably followed. There is no authority in law to do this, so far as the language of the statute goes, which relates to that point. Any other action than that specifically authorized by the statute that may be taken by town officers, either in neglecting to assess a poll tax against a voter, or in abating one after it has been assessed, rests in the discretion vested in them in doing the business of the town. The statute that relates to abatements, provides that "the assessors for the time being, on written application, stating the grounds therefor,
within two years from the assessment, may make such reasonable abatement as they think proper." And that "they shall keep in a suitable book form, a record of such abatements, with the reasons for each, and report the same to the town at its annual meeting."

The statute that pertains to the omitting of the assessment of a poll tax against any person, says: The following "polls are exempt from taxation: The polls of Indians; and the polls of persons under guardianship. The polls of persons who by reason of age, infirmity, and poverty, are in the judgment of the assessors unable to contribute towards the public charges;" thus making the whole right of exemption turn upon the inability to contribute toward the public charges, age and infirmity having no force in the act when standing alone, or even when united, but only when accompanied by poverty. And poverty is the language. While the assessors have a right to abate "as they think proper," they have no right to omit to tax, only for the reasons specified by the statute.

With rights so defined, it may seem that there is something not readily explainable in some of these poll tax omissions, still but little change has been made in the list this year. The list of abatements, with the reason for each, made by us, appears in full in this report.

The bill paid D. R. Hastings & Son. is for services in two pauper suits; one by Denmark against Biddeford, and the other by Sebago against Denmark. The former was in reference to the residence of John Noble, pauper. This suit was settled, as appears by the bill of D. R. Hastings & Son, a year ago, and so is properly no part of the pauper expenses of this year. The fees paid for carrying on this suit were $47. There was received of the city of Biddeford $20 as appears by their bill; and also, as appears by the treasurer's account, $172. The other suit was in reference to the residence of Eleanor Nason, pauper. The fees paid in this suit were $12. This is no part of the pauper expenses of this year.

During the first week of May last, Stephen Gilman applied to the town for assistance. It was furnished him and the town of Baldwin notified. Baldwin immediately paid the bill, acknowledging his legal residence to be in that town.

So far as are known the town is now absolutely free from all debts, save the small amount that may be due for breaking roads this winter, and a small blacksmith's bill due Eben Blaisdell for work done for the town farm years ago, except what appears in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

S. G. DAVIS,

JOHN COLBY,

ISAAC H. BERRY,

of

denmark.

Feb. 13th, 1888.
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE

Supervisor of Schools.

Center District. Ephraim Sanborn, Agent.

The Summer term began May 9th and continued ten weeks with Hattie Abbott of Fryeburg as teacher. Visited May 11th and July 14th; found 38 scholars present at both visits. Whole number registered, 41; average number, 33.

The Fall terms were taught by Miss Abbott in the Primary, and Mr. A. L. Whitney in the High School. They began Sept. 26th and continued eight weeks. Visited Sept. 27th, when there were 24 scholars present in the Primary and 18 in the High School. My second visit was made Nov. 17th; present 22 in the Primary, and 23 in the High School. Whole number registered in the High School, 27; average number, 22. Whole number registered in the Primary, 31; average number, 28.

The Winter terms began Dec. 5th and are still in session, under the instruction of Miss Abbott in the Primary and Mr. S. G. Davis in the High School. Visited Dec. 7th and Feb. 9th. Found at my first visit 25 scholars present in the Primary, and 28 in the High School. At my second visit, found 15 in the Primary, and 18 in the High School. Average number in the Primary, 20; in the High School, 25.
This is the largest school in town, and one of the best. It has been particularly fortunate in the matter of instructors during the past year. Miss Abbott is a painstaking and conscientious teacher who thoroughly understands herself and her school. Her pupils show the good results of her work among them. Mr. Whitney is a young man brim full of hard work and enthusiasm. A new Globe, and a valuable Dictionary, secured through his efforts, substantially attest his interest in the school. Mr. Davis, the present teacher, is possessed of just the qualifications needed in his position: Long experience, good judgment and a firm hand. Mr. Sanborn deserves the thanks of the district for securing his services.

District No. 1. Nelson Thomas, Agent.

The Summer term of nine weeks began May 9th; and was taught by Miss Lillian Wentworth of Denmark. I visited this school May 12th and June 28th; found 16 scholars present at each visit. Whole number registered, 20; average number, 17. Miss Wentworth unites natural ability as a teacher, with the invaluable faculty of securing the attention and affection of her pupils.

The Winter term is now in session under the instruction of Mr. L. A. Poor. Began Dec. 12th, is to continue nine weeks. Visited Dec. 15th and Feb. 2nd.; 18 scholars present at my first visit and 17 at my second. Mr. Poor is well known as a teacher in Denmark. Although at present residing in Sebago, he was for many years, intimately identified with the educational interests of this town.

District No. 2. George Allen, Agent.

The Summer term, taught by Miss Flora Bradbury of Denmark, began May 9th and continued nine weeks. Visited May 12th and July 7th; 14 scholars present at my first visit and 12 at my second.
The Fall term, taught by Miss Mary Keith of Bridgewater, Mass., began Sept. 12th and continued ten weeks. I visited Sept. 14th and Nov. 18th; found 13 present at each visit. Whole number 16, average number 14.

The Winter term, taught by the same teacher, began Dec. 19th and is still in session. Visited Dec. 22nd and Feb. 9th; found 14 present at each visit.

Miss Bradbury has had a good deal of experience in our town schools, and gave this summer, as she always does, perfect satisfaction. Miss Keith, although a native of Mass., has taught so long in Denmark that she can hardly be regarded as an out of town teacher. Her work in District No. 2 was, as usual, entirely successful.

District No. 3. Rufus Bennett, Agent.

The Summer and Fall terms of school in this District were taught by Mrs. Georgie A. Bennett. The Summer term commenced May 2nd and continued twelve weeks. I visited May 5th and July 12th. Found at my first visit, 20 present, and at my second, 18. Whole number registered, 23; average number, 20. In the Fall, I visited Sept. 28th and Nov. 10th. The school commenced Sept. 26th and continued seven weeks. Found 18 scholars present at both visits. Whole number registered, 20; average number, 18.

The Winter term began Dec. 12th and is still in session. I visited Dec. 15th and Feb. 8th; found 19 scholars present at my first visit and 17 at my last; average number 17.

District No. 3 has been highly favored this year. Mrs. Bennett has taught 36 successful schools. Mr. C. B. Smith, the winter teacher, no less than 40. Veterans, both of them, they have supplemented their long experience,
with good, honest, hard work, the result of which is plainly to be seen in the school.

District No. 4. Herman Wilson, Agent.

The summer term commenced May 9th and continued ten weeks. I visited May 10th, when I found 12 scholars present, and June 29th when I found nine. Whole number registered 13, average 11. Miss Carrie Chadbourne of East Fryeburg taught this school, and after changing her name to Warren, also took charge of the Winter term, which began Nov. 28th and is still session. I visited Dec. 1st and Feb. 6th. Found 11 present at my first visit and 8 at my second. The school in this District is small but the scholars are well advanced; while the orderly room, the thoroughly committed and well recited lessons, tell of good work on the teacher’s part.

District No. 5.

No school in this District.

District No. 6. Walter Berry, Agent.

Both terms in this District were taught by Miss Effie L. Poor of Sebago. The Summer term commenced May 16th and continued nine weeks. I visited May 19th and July 15th; found at my first visit 9 scholars present, at my second, 7. Whole number registered, 9; average number, 8.

The Fall term began Sept. 5th and closed Nov. 2nd. Visited Sept. 9th; 8 scholars present. Whole number registered, 8; average number, 6.

Miss Poor is a teacher who does not waste a moment in the schoolroom, and the amount of general information which her little scholars acquired, spoke well for her industry, as well as their own.

The second term came to a sudden close on account of
sickness, so I was able to make but one visit, but I have no doubt that it proved as satisfactory as the first.

District No. 7. Orrin L. Harnden, Agent.

There was but one term of school in this District; taught by Mrs. Ada L. Harnden. It began Sept. 5th and closed Jan. 3d; length of school 16 weeks. Visited Oct. 4th; found 3 scholars present. Whole number and average number, 3. Although this was a small school, the pupils had the advantages of a comfortable schoolroom, a long term and a good teacher.

District No. 8. Gilbert Warren, Agent.

The Summer term of nine weeks, was taught by Miss Carrie Gilman of Denmark. I visited May 10th and June 30th. I found 11 scholars present at my first visit and 13 at my second. Whole number registered, 15; average number, 13.

The Winter term of eleven weeks was kept by Lester Warren. I visited Oct. 4th and found 9 present; and Dec. 1st, when there were 8 scholars in attendance. The school began Oct. 3d and closed Dec. 16th.

Miss Gilman kept a quiet, orderly school, and the scholars made good improvement. Mr. Warren, although trying the dangerous experiment of teaching his first school in his own District, succeeded admirably; maintaining good order and keeping up an interest in the studies until the close of the term.

District No. 9. Mr. Humphery M. Hartford, Agent.

The Summer term of eight weeks was taught by Evie Winn of Bridgton. I visited the school May 12th and July 5th. Found at my first visit 11 scholars present, at my second, 9. Whole number, 11; average number, 10.

The Fall term began Oct. 17th and closed Jan. 21st,
lasting fourteen weeks, under the instruction of Miss Lillian Wentworth.

Miss Winn was much liked in the District, and taught a very successful school. Miss Wentworth, I have mentioned before in this report, and will only say that she had as good success in No. 9 as she did in District No. 1.

District No. 10. Stillman Swan, Agent.

There were two terms of school in this District, Summer and Fall, both of them taught by Miss Josie Keith of Bridgewater, Mass. The Summer school commenced May 9th, lasted twelve weeks and closed July 29th. I visited May 13th and July 29th; found 13 scholars present at both visits. Whole number registered, 15; average number 11.

The Fall term began Aug. 29, lasted twelve weeks, and closed Nov. 18th. Visited Sept. 1st and Nov. 16th. At my first visit there were 12 scholars present, at my second there were 9. Whole number registered 12, average number 10.

Miss Keith's school was a small one, but it was a model in its way of order and neatness; while the teacher's peculiar faculty for oral instruction, showed good results in every recitation.

District No. 11. Isaac W. Gray, Agent.

The Summer term began July 11th, continued 7 weeks and closed Aug. 26th; Minnie A. Gore, of Denmark, teacher. Visited the school July 14th and Aug. 25th; found 17 scholars present at both visits. Whole number registered 21, average number 17.

The fall term was under the instruction of Mr. C. B. Smith. Commenced Oct. 10th and finished Dec. 2nd. Visited Oct. 14th and found 19 scholars present; visited
again Dec. 2 and found 21 present. Whole number registered 22, average number 20 1-5. Miss Gore is a young teacher, and although she labored under the disadvantage of teaching in her own district, did excellent work and gave good satisfaction. Mr. Gray having moved out of the district, Mr. Eben Blaisdell was chosen to take his place as agent. He was wise enough and fortunate enough to secure the services of Mr. Smith, and thus a pleasant and profitable school was assured.

District No. 13. Levi W. Merrifield, Agent.

There was but one term of school in this district, taught by Miss Annie Boston of Hiram. The term commenced June 7th and finished Aug. 19th. Visited June 10th, found 2 scholars present. Whole number registered 2, average 2.

REMARKS.

In making out my report I have been very glad that I could conscientiously say a few words of commendation for all our teachers. Some of them have had the advantage of mature judgment and long experience, others have found their work new, and doubtless in many cases, perplexing, but all have, I believe, honestly endeavored to do their best, and this best has been very generally appreciated.

The practice of giving the younger children oral instruction, in matters of general interest, I find to be a distinctive feature in many of the schools, and one whose importance cannot be over-estimated. In this way, many of the little scholars six and seven years of age, have mastered the rudiments of History, Geography, and Physiology; and have thus laid a solid foundation for the future understanding of these subjects. In connection with this meth-
od of teaching, I wish to call your attention to the blackboards. A good black-board, ought to be regarded as an absolute necessity, and the great lack in this respect which exists all over the town, is a serious drawback to the usefulness of the schools. Better black-boards and twice as many of them are imperatively needed; and I also believe that every schoolhouse should be supplied with a few good Maps, a Globe and a Dictionary. If these educational appliances are needed in any of the schools, they are needed in all of them; and when they have been provided, I think the matter of free text-books might profitably be looked into.

I also wish to call your attention to the subject of teacher's examinations. It seems to me there is a good deal of injustice in the way in which they are now conducted. The teachers are hired by agents; if they choose to delay until the last moment, or to come at inconvenient times, their examination is necessarily hurried and incomplete: Yet, even if it prove unsatisfactory, a supervisor must have a strong mind and a hard heart to refuse a certificate. I think that every teacher, at least until they have proved their ability by a certain amount of work, should be called upon to pass an examination. If, say twenty-four teachers are to be hired during the year, it is hardly fair to require a supervisor to devote twenty-four half-days, to what might as well be done in two or three. If a suitable list of questions could be prepared, and certain days devoted to the examination of candidates, it would greatly simplify matters, be far less embarrassing to all concerned, and give no chance for favoritism. This examination ought, by all means, to take place before the schools are engaged. With this exception, I think there can be little fault found with the present system.
I have found all the agents anxious to secure competent instructors and willing to work for the best good of their district. It is reasonable to believe that they understand the needs and wishes of their own neighborhood better than any stranger could do.

In conclusion, let me say to the fathers and mothers, get acquainted with the teachers. Let the home interests and school interests coincide; the moment they clash, some of the usefulness of both is destroyed. If any unpleasantness does arise, a little personal investigation is worth any amount of criticism. If abuses exist, find fault with, not about the teacher. In nine cases out of ten, a kindly spoken word of advice, or even of reproof, will be thankfully received and willingly acted upon.

Sincerely thanking you for the unvarying kindness which I have received during the past year, and hoping that my successor may serve you more efficiently than I have done, I relinquish the position of Supervisor of Schools.

CATHIE JEWETT.

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