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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE
TOWN OF DENMARK

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 12,

1906



NORWAY, ME.:
THE ADVERTISER BOOK PRINT.
1906.

TOWN OFFICERS

Clerk:

A. W. BELCHER

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor:

ISAAC H. BERRY

HENRY W. EVANS

GEORGE L. WENTWORTH

Treasurer:

GEORGE W. GRAY

Collector:

MAYNARD M. WENTWORTH

Superintendent of Schools:

WILLARD H. PALMER

Road Commissioner:

EDWIN P. FESSENDEN

School Committee:

GEORGE L. WENTWORTH

SUMNER H. SMITH

HARLAN F. LORD

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The selectmen of the town of Denmark herewith submit the following statement of the financial condition of the affairs of the town for the financial year beginning Feb. 12th, 1905, and ending Feb. 12th, 1906. The value of the taxable property as taxed on the first day of April, A. D. 1905, was as follows:

Resident real estate.....	\$177,705 00	
" personal estate.....	47,775 00	
Non-resident real estate.....	68,890 00	
" personal estate.....	7,045 00	
	<hr/>	\$301,415 00

Number of taxable polls, 197.

Assessed on each poll, \$3.00.

Rate of taxation on a dollar, .0177.

ASSESSMENTS.

Interest on school fund.....	\$ 32 80	
Common schools.....	800 00	
High school.....	225 00	
Support of poor.....	800 00	
Town charges.....	700 00	
School books.....	200 00	
Repairs on schoolhouses.....	200 00	
Roads and bridges.....	1,500 00	
County tax.....	567 00	
State tax.....	764 11	
Overlay.....	137 15	
	<hr/>	\$5,926 06

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Balance Feb. 12, 1905	\$374 10
Appropriation	800 00
Int. on school fund	32 80
Appropriation from State	372 60
Due from Brownfield	40 50
" Fryeburg	9 50
Total.....	\$1,629 50

DR.

To D. S. Perkins, board.....	\$ 8 75
" " "	12 50
Burleigh Moulton, janitor.....	1 80
Chesley Tibbetts, janitor.....	3 25
D. S. Perkins, supplies.....	1 20
Irving Hale, janitor.....	3 00
A. F. Trumbull, wood.....	1 50
A. H. Jack, wood.....	16 75
George Pendexter, wood.....	4 00
R. C. Palmer, sawing wood.....	60
Hattie L. Ruck, teaching.....	49 50
Ethel Hilton, teaching	54 00
Ralph Deering, janitor.....	2 25
Ellen Warren, janitor.....	3 00
I. H. Berry, supplies.....	3 92
Ellen Warren, cleaning school-house.....	3 00
Amanda True, " "	5 00
Perley Gerry, sawing wood.....	1 25
Herbert Palmer, " "	60
S. H. Smith, wood.....	3 00
Mrs. Scott Wentworth, cleaning house.....	2 50
D. B. Johnson, transportation.....	27 00
Hattie L. Buck, teaching.....	72 00
Nellie M. Foster, " "	54 00
Chesley Tibbetts, cleaning house.....	2 00
Emma L. I. Lord, teaching.....	58 50
Sarah McKusick, transportation.....	34 65
Mrs. Henry R. Smith, " "	30 00
Ellen Warren, board.....	11 25
Ethel Hilton, teaching.....	72 00

To Belle M. Smith, teaching.....	\$ 54 00
Perley Richardson, wood.....	8 00
Mrs. Eugene Higgins, cleaning house.....	3 00
A. Hilton, wood.....	3 00
Sara E. Winslow teaching.....	80 00
Albert Moulton, janitor.....	2 00
Burleigh Moulton, ".....	1 80
D. B. Johnson, transportation.....	33 50
Florence A. Ingalls, teaching.....	60 00
Irving Hale, janitor.....	2 00
Ethel Hilton, teaching.....	80 00
Geo. H. Walker, transportation.....	32 50
Amy L. Smith, teaching.....	55 00
Lucy Richardson, cleaning house.....	2 00
Emma Lord, teaching.....	65 00
Chesley Tibbetts, wood.....	12 50
Jane Colby, cleaning house.....	1 00
Fred Alexander, wood.....	4 00
Perley Gerry, sawing wood.....	75
C. E. Smith, wood.....	2 50
Geo. H. Walker, transportation.....	26 00
Florence Ingalls, teaching.....	52 00
Frank Jack, janitor.....	2 00
Charles W. Poor, transportation.....	69 30
Ethel Hilton, teaching.....	64 00
Sara E. Winslow, ".....	64 00
Ellen Warren, janitor and wood.....	3 50
Ethel D. Wilson, teaching.....	44 00
I. H. Berry, supplies.....	7 92
Albert Moulton, janitor.....	2 00
Fred Sanborn, wood.....	3 00
Amy L. Smith, teaching.....	44 00
Unexpended Feb. 12, 1906.....	202 46
Total.....	\$1,629 50

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Balance unexpended, Feb. 12, 1905.....	\$119 93
Appropriation.....	225 00
" from State.....	254 00
Total.....	\$598 93

3150
2600
5950

6930
5850
6050
3465
22295

2750
3350
6050

DR.

To C. A. Smith, sawing wood.....	\$ 4 50	
Lindsey Palmer, " "	75	
F. H. Sanborn, teaching.....	150 00	
Mrs. Eugene Higgins, cleaning house.....	5 00	
Thomas Knowles, teaching,.....	160 00	
" " "	128 00	
Unexpended Feb. 12, 1906.....	150 68	
Total.....		\$598 98

SCHOOL BOOK ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Appropriation.....	\$200 00	
Deficit, Feb. 12th, 1906.....	4 07	
		\$204 07

DR.

To Overdrawn, Feb. 12th, 1905.....	\$62 60	
American Book Co., books.....	24 23	
J. E. Ingalls, express.....	3 75	
Silver, Burdett & Co., books.....	12 70	
Thompson, Brown & Co., "	16 59	
D. C. Heath & Co., "	5 00	
Ginn & Co., "	30 60	
Edward E. Babb & Co., "	6 88	
Ginn & Co., "	5 72	
J. A. Boyle & Co., "	1 20	
Ginn & Co., "	2 28	
Edward E. Babb & Co., "	22 67	
Thompson, Brown & Co., "	1 00	
American Book Co., "	4 40	
James E. Ingalls, express.....	4 45	
		\$204 07

SHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Appropriation.....	\$200 00	
Unexpended, Feb. 12, 1905.....	5 32	
Total.....		\$205 32

DR.

I. H. Berry, repairs.....	\$ 4 31
G. L. Wentworth, repairs.....	39 50
I. H. Berry, lumber and supplies.....	47 85
S. H. Smith, labor.....	14 00
I. H. Berry, sheathing.....	20 06
P. G. Rankin, labor.....	9 25
S. H. Smith, labor.....	9 00
H. F. Lord, repairs.....	1 25
Augustine Ingalls, lumber.....	20 25
G. L. Wentworth, labor.....	8 25
Unexpended Feb. 12, 1906.....	31 60
Total.....	\$205 32

TOWN CHARGES ACCOUNT.

CR.

By appropriation.....	\$700 00
Total.....	\$700 00

DR.

To deficit Feb. 12, 1905.....	\$206 24
I. H. Berry, express, telephone and postage.....	1 50
Fred Sanborn, wood, town house.....	3 00
F. W. Sanborn, printing town reports.....	20 90
Harry Harnden, printing.....	90
Myron Richardson, sawing wood.....	1 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, books, etc.,.....	11 88
Selectmen, cash paid for fighting fire.....	40 00
W. H. Palmer, part pay Supt. schools.....	65 00
Selectmen, bal. paid fighting fire.....	7 70
N. P. Potter, recording births and deaths..	1 75
D. S. Perkins, abatement.....	88
C. H. Warren, ".....	22 93
C. H. Warren, collect taxes.....	85 17
C. H. Warren, constable fees.....	4 50
Isaac H. Berry, services selectman.....	50 00
A. W. Belcher, town clerk.....	11 85
A. W. Belcher, recording deaths and births..	5 25
A. W. Belcher, Sec. board of health.....	11 72
G. W. Gray, services treasurer.....	15 00
A. W. Belcher, abatement.....	3 00

To H. W. Evans, services as selectman.....	\$ 45 00
G. L. Wentworth, " " " "	45 00
G. W. Gray, interest.....	5 00
Balance unexpended Feb. 12, 1906.....	35 33

Total.....\$700 00

The above should include orders

To W. H. Palmer, balance as Supervisor.....\$30 00
 " " postage and stationery..... 3 50

POOR ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Appropriation.....	\$800 00
Cash rec'd H. M. Moxcey.....	32 00
" Samuel Trumbull, hay.....	10 00
" Geo. Pendexter, pasture.....	12 00
" Luther Trumbull, act. Rose Cole.	36 00

Total.....\$890 00

DR.

To Overdrawn, Feb. 12, 1905.....	\$ 53 16
Frankie Boston, board J. T. Boston.....	21 00
Luther Trumbull, " Rose Cole.....	45 00
Frankie Boston, " J. T. Boston.....	14 00
Lindsey Palmer, sawing wood.....	1 00
S. G. Sawyer M. D., medical attendance J. T. Boston.....	5 50
Lindsey Palmer, sawing wood.....	1 15
Frankie Boston, board of J. T. Boston.....	14 00
S. G. Sawyer M. D., medical attendance J. T. Boston.....	11 05
Frankie Boston, board J. T. Boston.....	14 00
Lindsey Palmer, sawing wood.....	4 50
S. G. Sawyer, M. D. medical attendance J. T. Boston.....	5 60
Lindsey Palmer, sawing wood.....	3 50
Loring Cole, keeping tramp.....	1 00
Scott Wentworth, outting grass.....	40 00
I. H. Berry, pump for town farm.....	5 50
Frank P. Davis, tax on town farm.....	9 75

To Luther Trumbull, board Rose Cole.....	\$129 00
Loring Cole, keeping tramp.....	75
I. H. Berry, pump and pipe Merrifield house.	6 20
Elbridge Thorne, moving town farm goods..	4 00
G. L. Wentworth, " " " " ..	5 00
Unexpended, Feb. 12, 1906.....	495 34
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Total.....	\$890 00

MERRIFIELD'S ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Bank book	\$82 00
Balance in Treas. hands Feb. 12, 1905.....	86 68
Received A. P. Pingree, rent of farm.....	30 00
" H. M. Moxcey, hay	20 00
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Total.....	\$218 68

DR.

To Town order.....	\$ 5 00
D. L. Shaw, medical attendance.....	3 00
Town order.....	13 00
" "	5 00
" "	5 00
" "	5 00
" "	6 00
D. L. Shaw, medical attendance.....	1 50
Town order.....	7 00
" "	6 00
I. H. Berry, wood.....	1 50
Town order.....	7 00
Twelve months rent, ending Feb. 14, 1906....	24 00
Tax 1905	5 31
Wood at town farm	20 00
H. M. Moxcey, wood.....	20 00
A. P. Pingree, wood	7 88
M. M. Wentworth.....	10 00
Balance due them Feb. 12, 1906.....	66 49
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Total	\$218 68

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

CR.

By Appropriation.....	\$1,500 00
Deficit, Feb. 12, 1906.....	196 94
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Total.....	\$1,696 94

DR.

To Overdrawn, Feb. 12th, 1905.....	\$212 06
Mrs. G. R. Norton, water tub.....	2 00
M. E. Wentworth, " "	3 00
A. F. Bradbury, " "	3 00
H. F. Lord, " "	3 00
E. P. Fessenden, road commissioner.....	110 00
Sarah McKusick, water tub.....	3 00
C. M. Conant Co., repairs road machine.....	18 20
E. P. Fessenden, road commissioner.....	100 00
" " " "	100 00
" " " "	486 30
" " " "	360 00
" " " "	53 46
" " " "	242 92
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Total.....	\$1,696 94

ABATEMENTS.

Geo. H. Perham, out of State.....	\$7 42
Edward Brene, not to be found.....	3 00
Fred Richardson, paid in Brownfield.....	3 00
Geo. La Bonta, out of State.....	3 00
E. D. Gray, paid in Harrison.....	3 15
Albert Sanborn, paid in Bridgton.....	3 36
A. W. Belcher, illegally taxed.....	3 00
D. S. Perkins, over taxed.....	88

 RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

RESOURCES.

By Amount due from collector.....	\$2,737 78	
Received from sale of farm.....	1,800 00	
		————— \$4,537 78

LIABILITIES.

Due Common schools	\$ 202 46	
High school	150 68	
Collector, 1905.	82 96	
Treasurer.....	68 70	
Balance in favor of town.....	4,032 98	
		————— \$4,537 78

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC H. BERRY,	}	<i>Selectmen of Denmark.</i>
HENRY W. EVANS,		
GEORGE L. WENTWORTH,		

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Committed	\$5,923 06
Paid Treasurer.....	3,188 28
	—————
Balance due.....	\$2,737 78

MAYNARD M. WENTWORTH, Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Marriage intentions filed, 3; marriages recorded, 3. Viz:

1905.

June 10, Harold I. Perkins and Sarah E. Purrington.

Sept. 6, Perley R. F. Bradbury and Harriet L. Buck.

Nov. 29, Ellis F. Blake and Susan A. Rowe.

Births, 13.

1905.

Feb. 10, Lillian McKusick.....Female

10, Dright S. Lord.....Male

16, Unnamed, premature birth.....Male

June 2, Marion Pearl Rowe.....Female

5, Karl Wallace Richardson.....Male

15, Ruth Mae Potter.....Female

21, Nina Ethel Gerry.....Female

July 5, Robert Micheal Peters.....Male

Aug. 7, Myrtis Bernice Sanborn.....Female

28, Francis Bradbury Berry.....Male

Sept. 22, Edward Everett Cushman.....Male

Nov. 14, Richard Lawrence Dunn.....Male

14, Amelia Dorcas Sanborn.....Female

Deaths recorded, 22.

1905.

		YRS.	MOS.	D.
Jan. 5,	Ellsworth Frank Nutter.....		9	5
11,	Lucy Ann Head.....	71	9	
11,	Elizabeth Perkins.....	58		
18,	William Lord.....	91	9	5
Feb. 3,	Charles O. Pendexter.....	60	3	9
17,	Unnamed child, Angus Bean.....			1
20,	Thomas P. Fessenden.....	36	7	9
Mar. 3,	Dorcas J. Blaisdell.....	77		14
5,	Louisa Goodridge.....	59		18
Feb. 12,	Clifford Hill.....		3	12
Mar. 12,	Theodosia Trumbull.....	83		11
31,	Goldie Maud Warren.....	11	9	25
April 4,	John T. Boston.....	93	10	20

June 10,	Jones B. Holt.....	65	10	13
Mar. 17,	Jacob Colby.....	70	9	7
July 4,	Emily F. Berry.....	91	5	19
9,	Fred Chadbourne.....	25	1	
Oct. 1,	Wm. C. Hazletine.....	37	10	
29,	Lillian Smith Crawford.....	40	1	1
28,	Ethel Head.....	19		
Dec. 29,	Nellie H. Hale.....	42	8	22
21,	Wm. Messer.....	76	4	7

Names of those brought from other towns for interment: Thomas P. Fessenden, Bridgton; John T. Boston, Cornish; Fred Chadbourne, East Fryeburg; Clifford Hill, Brownfield; Jacob Colby, Brownfield; Wm. A. Messer, South Bridgton.

Dogs licensed for year 1905 was 47, males 41, females 6.

Amount received for same.....	\$59 00
41 males.....	\$41 00
6 females.....	18 00
	<u>\$59 00</u>
Cash paid treasurer.....	\$59 00

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. BELCHER, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SEC. OF BOARD OF HEALTH

This town has again been free from any contagious or infectious diseases, excepting a few cases of measles, and all precautions taken to prevent the spread in the schools, six cases only being reported. Mr. Horace Orcutt's family, 4 cases, Mr. Wm. Dacey, 1 case, Perley Bradbury, 1 case.

Permission has been granted to the following persons for the disinterment and removal of dead bodies from one cemetery to another: Mr. Joseph Holt, 4; Mr. Geo. Trumbull, 1; Mr. Fred Sauborn, 6; Mr. Geo. Whales, 1; Mr. Ahban Bradbury, 2; Mr. A. P. Merritt, 2; Mr. Frank C. Jewett, 2.

One nuisance was reported, but no name being signed to the complaint the board decided not to meddle with it.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. BELCHER, Sec.

CHARLES E. SMITH,)	Local
GEO. N. COLBY,)	Board
A. W. BELCHER,)	Health.

REPORT OF

ROAD COMMISSIONER

E. P. Fessenden, and horse 65 days.....	\$162 50
E. P. Fessenden, horses 56 $\frac{3}{4}$ days.....	113 50
H. R. Smith, 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ days.....	95 00
H. R. Smith, horses 78 $\frac{3}{4}$ days.....	157 50
George Wentworth, labor.....	1 00
E. S. Head, lumber.....	60
Fred Sanborn, lumber.....	8 32
Willard McKusick, blacksmith work.....	9 30
I. H. Berry, blacksmith work and supplies.....	29 54
Sumner Smith, labor.....	2 00
C. B. Smith, labor.....	1 50
Will Nason, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ days.....	12 75
H. F. Lord, lumber.....	50
Scott Wentworth, labor.....	1 50
H. A. Blaisdell, blacksmith work.....	1 60
Frank Burnell, labor.....	50
Hollis Plant, lumber.....	2 00
Reuben Smith, labor.....	3 00
Augustine Ingalls, lumber.....	6 49
W. W. Gerry, labor.....	4 00
George Colby, labor.....	80
S. W. Colby, labor.....	2 00
Henry Holand, labor.....	52
Perley Bradbury, labor.....	25
A. F. Bradbury, labor.....	50
Simon Tibbetts, blacksmith work.....	4 13

Geo. W. Moulton,	labor.....	\$ 6 50
Albert Harmon,	"	4 50
Russell Jordan,	"	1 00
Moses Wentworth,	"	2 00
Joseph Colby,	"	1 50
Walter Blake,	"	2 34
Perley Rankins,	"	2 50
Charles Harnden,	"	4 00
Granville Harnden,	"	75
Perley Smith,	40 $\frac{1}{4}$ days.....	80 50
Harvey Dunn,	28 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	42 37
Walter Berry,	41 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	61 87
L. P. Hale,	31 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	46 87
Will Potter,	labor.....	75
Charles Blaisdell,	"	4 00
Lee Adams,	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ days.....	21 75
Albion Trumbull,	15 days.....	22 50
Herbert Evans and horses,	9 days.....	36 00
Roy Freeman,	labor.....	12 75
D. J. Ward,	"	12 75
Herm Wood,	"	14 25
Harry Smith,	"	12 75
Charles True,	"	9 75
Percy True,	"	11 25
Will Freeman,	"	15 00
Henry Ingalls,	"	3 00
Charles Poor,	"	3 00
C. E. Smith,	"	6 09
Percy Hilton,	"	6 00
Jess Keniston,	"	6 00
Joseph Smith,	"	7 50
A. M. Deering,	"	4 00
Harry Thomes,	33 $\frac{1}{4}$ days.....	57 68
Chauncey Bean,	labor.....	12 00
Horace Gore,	"	50
Perley Richardson,	"	75
M. M. Wentworth,	"	2 00
Leon Ingalls,	"	1 50
Luther Trumbull,	"	1 50
Orin True,	"	2 62
A. B. Ordway,	"	75
Geo. Pendexter,	"	1 50
W. W. Berry,	breaking roads.....	12 00
H. F. Lord,	" "	7 00
G. W. Moulton,	" "	5 00

A. C. Jewett,	breaking roads.....	\$ 9 00
C. H. Warren,	" "	12 90
Armond Warren,	" "	5 40
A. P. Pingree,	" "	16 00
E. P. Fessenden,	" "	10 00
H. R. Smith,	" "	10 00
S. W. Colby,	" "	10 00
John Colby,	" "	10 00
Harry Small,	" "	9 00
A. P. Pingree,	labor	4 00
Elbridge Thorn,	"	25
W. P. Rowe,	"	1 20
Henry Harnden,	"	2 00
Edwin Pingree,	"	1 50
Stephen Rowe,	"	50
I. H. Berry,	repairing rollers.....	16 35
Wm. Allen,	labor.....	5 50
W. W. Berry,	breaking roads.....	13 05
H. R. Smith,	" "	16 50
Fred Sanborn,	" "	14 00
John Colby,	" "	6 90
S. W. Colby,	" "	6 90
E. P. Fessenden,	" "	25 00
A. B. Ordway,	labor.....	1 00
Harry Smith,	"	1 50
Perley Smith,	"	1 50
Walter Berry,	"	1 80
Ernest Ingalls,	"	20
Henry Pendexter,	"	50
Walter Blake,	"	1 50
E. S. Head,	"	15
James A. Head,	lumber.....	1 00
A. D. Fessenden,	"	43 84
Eddie Smith,	labor.....	1 25

\$1,452 68

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. FESSENDEN.

TREASURER'S REPORT

George W. Gray in account with town of Denmark.

DR.

To Rec'd from State, free high schools.....	\$ 254 00
" porcupine bounties ref...	119 50
" State pensions refunded..	192 00
" dog licenses refunded....	38 74
" school fund.....	372 60
" telegraph and R. R. tax..	1 34
A. W. Belcher, dog licenses.....	59 00
Town of Brownfield, tuition.....	53 00
Town of Fryeburg, tuition.....	15 20
Samuel Trumbull, hay.....	10 00
Geo. Pendexter, pasture.....	12 00
H. M. Moxcey, auction sale.....	32 00
L. Trumbull, guardian Rose Cole....	36 00
A. P. Pingree, rent Merrifield farm..	30 00
C. H. Warren, collector, 1904.....	1,989 11
M. M. Wentworth, collector, 1905...	3,188 28
Balance.....	68 70
Total.....	\$6,476 47

CR.

By Balance due treasurer for 1904.....	\$ 289 92
Paid State pensions.....	192 00
" dog licenses.....	59 00
" County tax.....	576 00
" State tax.....	764 11
" Orders cancelled.....	4,595 44
Total.....	\$6,476 47
Balance due treasurer.....	\$68 70

The money for which the poor farm was sold, \$1,800, was paid to me and I deposited in the Interest Department of the Cumberland National Bank, Portland, Maine.

Interest commenced Dec. 1st, 1905, and will be credited April 1st and Oct. 1st of each year at three and one-half per cent per annum. Principal and interest are subject to the treasurer of Denmark.

GEORGE W. GRAY, Treasurer.

Denmark, Feb. 12th, 1906.

REPORT OF

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

COMMON SCHOOLS.

All of our schools have completed a year of successful work. It has been a pleasure to visit and examine these schools and to find that in all of them real progress was being made. It must be admitted that some of our pupils are not as far advanced as children of their age should be, but in most cases it has been found that the pupils take a lively interest in their schools and do faithful work.

On the whole the attendance for the year has been good. In some cases there has been far too much tardiness and in a few cases too great irregularity. Parents are reminded that in order to have the best schools, we must have regular and punctual attendance. At Liberty Corner the number enrolled has been too small for the best results.

The teachers have all done good work. They have been earnest, faithful and devoted to the progress and welfare of their pupils. I believe thoroughly in Normal training. We have been fortunate this year in securing Normal graduates for part of our teaching force. The town owes an expression of gratitude to our own Normal graduates who have taught for us during the year for less pay than they might have received elsewhere.

The school year has numbered twenty-seven weeks. This is not enough. It is to be hoped that twenty-nine or thirty weeks will be provided in the future. It must be borne in mind that as the number

of pupils in town decreases, the amount which we receive from the State also decreases. This year the State appropriation which we received was much smaller than last year's amount. This fact must be remembered when we make our own appropriation.

In the financial report of the schools, it will be noted that the school balance has been reduced. This is largely accounted for by the fact that two of our schools were in session when the report was made last year. We had to pay about \$150 on last year's account while at present we have outstanding bills to the amount of only about \$30.

The experiment of centralizing our schools has been tried on a larger scale than before, and with very gratifying results. The pupils of the districts, the Deering, the Fessenden and the East Denmark have all attended school at Jordan's Corner. Conveyance has been found cheaper than the maintenance of separate schools, and the marked success of the combined school ought to convince all that the policy of centralization may well be extended.

Schoolhouse repairs have been in charge of the School Committee. Much good work has been done, much more needs to be done. Our schoolhouses ought to be made both comfortable and attractive.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The attendance in the high school this year has so far been small, too small for the best results, but faithful and earnest work has been done by both teacher and pupils. It is to be regretted that a larger number of pupils have not availed themselves of the opportunities which this school offers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. PALMER, Superintendent of Schools.

TABULAR SCHOOL STATEMENT.

SCHOOL	TEACHER	No. Weeks	No. Registered	Av. Attendance	Wages
SPRING TERM					
Center Primary..	Harriet L. Buck.....	9	24	17	\$ 8 00
East Denmark...	Ethel M. Hilton.....	9	27	25	8 00
West Denmark..	Emma L. I. Lord.....	9	21	18	6 50
Colby	Belle M. Smith.....	9	11	10	6 00
Liberty.....	Nellie M. Foster.....	9	7	6	6 00
FALL TERM					
High School.....	T. T. Knowles.....	10	10	8	16 00
Center Primary..	Sara E. Winslow.....	10	24	21	8 00
East Denmark...	Ethel M. Hilton.....	10	25	24	8 00
West Denmark..	Emma L. I. Lord.....	10	18	14	6 50
Colby	Amy L. Smith.....	10	11	8	5 50
Liberty.....	Florence A. Ingalls.....	10	4	3	6 00
WINTER TERM					
High School.....	T. T. Knowles.....	8	11	8	16 00
Center Primary..	Sara E. Winslow.....	8	19	17	8 00
East Denmark...	Ethel M. Hilton.....	8	20	18	8 00
West Denmark..	Florence A. Ingalls.....	8	11	10	6 50
Colby	Amy L. Smith.....	8	9	8	5 50
Liberty.....	Ethel D. Wilson.....	8	4	3	5 50

