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SEVENTIETH ANNUAL

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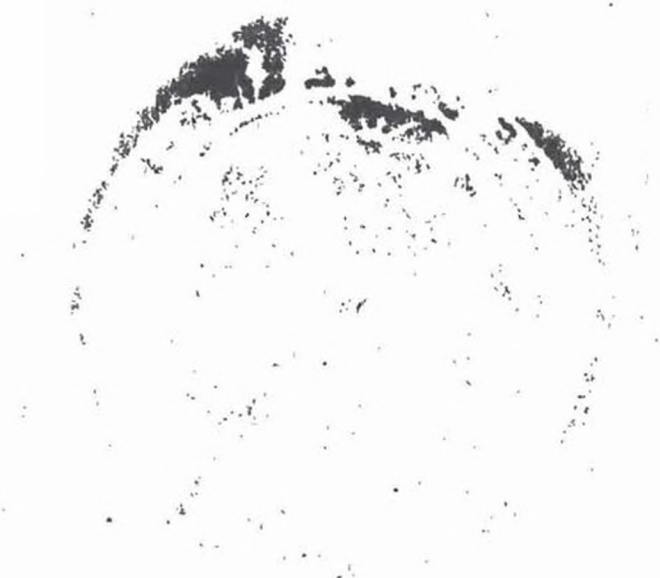
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TOWN OFFICERS

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1885-6.



SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR :

E. M. TIBBETTS,
N. F. ROBERTS,
CHAS. M. PAGE.

TOWN CLERK :

LEVI BRIDGHAM.

TREASURER :

HENRY F. DERRY.

TOWN AGENT :

BENJ. F. ELDRIDGE.

COLLECTOR :

ALLEN MERRILL.

SUPERVISOR :

E. H. BOYNTON.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES :

J. W. LEIGHTON.

TOWN WARRANT.



STATE OF MAINE.

TO ALLEN MERRILL; CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF DEXTER; IN
THE COUNTY OF PENOBSCOT, GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Dexter, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said Town, on Monday, the twenty-ninth day of March instant, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz:

- ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said Meeting.
- ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.
- ART. 3. To hear all reports to be made at said Meeting.
- ART. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen.
- ART. 5. To choose three or more Assessors.
- ART. 6. To choose three or more Overseers of the Poor.
- ART. 7. To choose a Town Treasurer.
- ART. 8. To choose a Town Agent.
- ART. 9. To choose three Superintending School Committee, or a Supervisor.
- ART. 10. To choose a School Agent.
- ART. 11. To choose a Collector of Taxes.
- ART. 12. To choose a Superintendent of Cemeteries.
- ART. 13. To choose all other Town Officers required by law to be chosen at the Annual Town Meeting.
- ART. 14. To see if the Town will choose three or more persons to enforce Town Ordinances.

- ART. 15. To see how much money the Town will raise to pay Town Charges.
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- ART. 20. To see how much money the Town will raise to make and repair Highways, and how it shall be expended.
- ART. 21. To see what method the Town will adopt for breaking Highways, and how the money for this purpose shall be expended.
- ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Town Ordinance relating to the Dexter Fire Department: All money raised or appropriated for the use or purposes of the Dexter Fire Department shall be expended under the direction of the Board of Engineers thereof, as they shall deem necessary for the maintainance of the Department.
- ART. 23. To see whether the Town will build one or more School Houses for a High School, Grammar School or other Schools, and where they shall be located; repair and alter any of the present School Houses; complete any School House already commenced on the original or modified plan; to see what shall be done with the materials on the Town Lot or appertaining to the School House there commenced, or the work there done; in fine, to take into consideration the whole subject of School Houses, and location of School House lots, and raise money for any of the purposes herein referred to, or act anything relating to the subject matter of this Article.

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ART. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$300, for the support of Town Library.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to let the Medical Attendance of the Poor to the lowest bidder, provided a suitable bid is received.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to give H. F. Safford Post twenty-five dollars to help defray expenses Memorial Day.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will vote to let the Town Hall free to H. F. Safford Post for entertainments the ensuing year.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to pay the claims against Wm. M. Hall on account of repairs on the Town Hall, and raise money for the same.

ART. 29. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Town Hall the ensuing year.

ART. 30. To see if the Town will vote to widen the street from Main street to the end of Levi Morrill and Wm. Eaton road, so called, as located by the Selectmen.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Levi Morrill and Wm. Eaton road so called, commencing near B. C. Thompson's shop.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Hay Scales located on Grove street to remain as they now are.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will vote to locate the Town Hearse with H. G. Parshley, or with Brady & Spooner, and establish the price for use of same in the Village at \$1.50.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will vote to pay Wm. M. Hayden for land used for road from Moses Hersey's to Benj. Bagley's, and if so, how much.

ART. 35. To see if the Town will vote to tax dogs.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to license Pool, Billiard or Scipio Tables, the coming year.

ART. 37. To see what method the Town will adopt for carrying on the Town Farm and Support of the Poor for the ensuing year.

ART. 38. To see if the Town will vote to connect by pipes the Hydrants at the Grist Mill and Abbott's Mill, and place, at least, one double headed Hydrant on the line, and raise money for that purpose.

ART. 39. To see what action the Town will take relative to electing and instructing its Constables for the special duty of removing and caring for Personal property in buildings on fire and endangered by fire, or act anything in relation thereto.

ART. 40. To see if the Town will vote to remove the openings in the reservoirs on Main and Maple streets from the sidewalks.

ART. 41. To see if the Town will vote to cement the new reservoir.

ART. 42. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to remove fences from within the limits of the streets in cases where the lines have been surveyed and established.

ART. 43. To see if the Town will choose a Board of Health as recommended by the State Board of Health.

You will give notice that the Selectmen will be in session at their office on Saturday; the twenty-seventh day of March instant, from one until three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Hereof fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands, at Dexter, this eighteenth day of March A. D. 1886.

E. M. TIBBETTS,	}	Selectmen of Dexter.
N. F. ROBERTS,		

Assessors' Department.

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AMOUNT OF MONEY APPROPRIATED AT THE LAST ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH, 1885.

Highways.....	\$4000 00
New Roads.....	750 00
Town Charges.....	3000 00
Support of Poor.....	600 00
Common Schools	2500 00
Free High School.....	800 00
School Books.....	300 00
Town Library.....	500 00
Reservoirs	200 00
Hose Carriage.....	175 00
Memorial Day.....	25 00
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	\$12,850 00

Valuation of resident Real Estate.....	\$606,020 00
do do Personal Estate.....	272,632 00
do of non-resident Real Estate	23,940 00
do do Personal Estate.....	1,234 00
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Total Valuation	\$903,826 00

Sum assessed State Tax.....	\$3,618 15
do County Tax.....	1,441 92
do Town Tax	12,850 00
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	\$17,909 07

No. of Polls, 762. No. of Dogs, 126.
Percentage, 18 mills.

Amount of money raised Nov. 7, by vote of Town, and assessed to pay J. A. Greenleaf	\$2,000 00
Loans made at Dexter Savings Bank.....	\$1,200 00
“ “ “ “ “ “	1,550 00
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	\$2,750 00

To enable the committee to settle with Mr. J. A. Greenleaf.

Selectmen's Department.

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HIGHWAY EXPENSES.

TO WHOM PAID.	SPRING.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	TOTAL.
Arnold, Joseph.....	\$2 25			\$2 25
Arnold, N. B.....	4 87		\$8 85	13 72
Additon, T. O.	2 99		1 38	4 37
Atwater, W. C.....	5 25		1 87	7 12
Atwater, C. H.....	1 50		1 05	2 55
Arno, Wm.....	13 45		9 85	23 30
Abbott, Amos & Co.....		\$3 00		3 00
Arnold, J. B.....	4 65		26 05	30 70
Abbott, S.....			60	60
Bagley, Preston		3 75	90	4 65
Breed, D. C.		8 25	3 07	11 32
Bennett, D. H.	4 20	3 00	6 75	13 95
Burton, Geo. H..	2 10	6 00	2 65	10 75
Bennett, J. B.....	1 87			1 87
Burton, Joel	2 50		1 10	3 60
Brown, John.....	11 20		7 05	18 25
Brackett, N. G.....	3 45		3 04	6 49
Blake, W. B.....	3 60	75	3 60	7 95
Briggs, M. H.	1 58			1 58
Bridge, Joseph	2 10			2 10
Beals, B. F.	1 20		60	1 80
Bush, Joseph.....		3 00		3 00
Bement, H. A.		3 50	10 17	13 67
Bean, C. H.		21 06		21 06
Bickell, Thos.		4 40		4 40
Booker, J. W.....		37 50		37 50
Blake, Frank.....		75		75
Bagley, Benj.....		2 00		2 00
Bragdon, J. M.....			4 00	4 00
Brawn, Wm.....			4 20	4 20
Bridges, O. W.....			19 85	19 95
Brawn, Geo.			3 15	3 15
Brawn, Henry,....			45	45
Bickell, Edward,	2 10	1 50	4 02	7 62
Blake, G. D.			1 80	1 80
Brawn, Andrew		2 00	9 25	11 25

TO WHOM PAID.	SPRING.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	TOTAL.
Blaisdell, Joseph.....			1 50	1 50
Brawn, B. F.....	1 50		5 24	6 74
Bond, Sewell			30	30
Bement, Bert.....			3 37	3 37
Barton, Melrose			30	30
Carver, Amos	8 60		1 50	10 10
Crawford, Sam'l.....	1 35			1 35
Crawford, Chas.....	1 35			1 35
Copeland, Willis.....	2 75			2 75
Crowell, Chauncy.....		8 75		8 75
Crowell, J. C.....	7 20	4 65	5 50	17 35
Chandler, Geo.		11 00		11 00
Curtis, W. H. 2nd.....	4 13		3 37	7 50
Curtis, Melzer.....	45		3 35	3 80
Carr, W. H.....	1 68	27 57		29 25
Cole, James	15			15
Califf, S. F.	3 95		87	4 82
Clough, Fred.....	64		75	1 39
Card, F. W.....	4 41	3 00	3 82	11 23
Cobb, J. H.	2 39		1 62	4 01
Curtis, W. H.	14 15		11 36	25 51
Chase, A. S.	4 20		9 15	13 35
Carr, Geo. W.....	7 80		8 00	15 80
Crowell, H. B.	2 80	1 55		4 35
Cobb, A. J.	7 50		45	7 95
Curtis, C. C.....	3 37		50	3 87
Clukey, Chas.		3 00	3 00	6 00
Cousins, Leslie.....	5 85	3 75		9 60
Clukey, Frank.....		4 50	90	5 40
Clukey, Augustus		6 25		6 25
Cyphers, G. N.....		1 25		1 25
Clukey, Joseph.....			2 55	2 55
Clukey, Napoleon.....			1 35	1 35
Clukey, Chas. 2nd			4 35	4 35
Clukey, Peter			1 35	1 35
Clukey, James.....			45	45
Clark, Leonard.....			75	75
Crockett, John			85	85
Dunham, W. F.	6 57	221 97		228 54
Drew, Mary.....	87			87
Dustin, N. & Co.		15 40	2 23	17 63

TO WHOM PAID.	SPRING.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	TOTAL.
Daggett, T.	3 00		3 70	6 70
Delano, Wm.....			60	60
Davis, Robert			45	45
Dunham, B. F.			3 30	3 30
Drew, Cyrus			2 47	2 47
Drew, John			2 82	2 82
Dole, H. S.....			1 30	1 30
Davis, H. C.			10 80	10 80
Delano, G. W.			1 50	1 50
Downing, W.	5 25		4 85	10 10
Dearth, H. L.			1 00	1 00
Dinsmore, E.....		75		75
Dolloff, Daniel, Jr.		2 25		2 25
Emerson, Isaac	7 35			7 35
Ellms, Albert	4 57		2 75	7 32
Emery, J. D.....	2 48	3 00	2 05	7 53
Eastus, John	6 54		5 13	11 67
Eaton, E. W.	3 38		8 50	11 88
Eldridge, Sam'l.....	11 07			11 07
Emerson, C. W.			5 25	5 25
Emerson, Albert.....			3 57	3 57
Eaton, W. O.....	2 59	7 65	6 27	16 51
Ellms, Charles....	8 07		8 90	16 97
Farrar, A. S.....	3 97	235 50	25 27	264 74
Folsom, Eben	4 25	4 50	7 60	16 35
Flanders, E. A.		221 65		221 65
Fields, Geo. W.	50			50
Farrar, J. M.....	2 80	2 25	4 41	9 46
Fogg, A. B.....	2 42		5 12	7 54
Fuller, J. A. ...		10 50	45	10 95
Farmer, G. E.....		1 50		1 50
Folsom, J. S.....	3 00	3 00		6 00
Farrar, T. D.....		6 75		6 75
French, Alba, Jr.....			7 70	7 70
Fish, S. D.....			10 05	10 05
Fish, E. P.....			7 06	7 06
Farrar, J. W.	2 95		8 05	11 00
Farrar, C. W.....	5 60		8 55	14 15
Foss, Cyrus		196 40		196 40
Fay & Scott,		4 00		4 00
Glass, Henry....		13 50		13 50

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Gordon, John	1 80		2 40	4 20
Grant, Samuel	1 50		2 40	3 90
Gould, G. L.		3 45		3 45
Grolo, Beland			1 05	1 05
Gray, H. J.			2 10	2 10
Gerry, Ira L.....	3 04		3 15	6 19
Gould, R.		4 00		4 00
Gerry, W. C.....	2 07			2 07
Hamilton, S.	1 50			1 50
Howard, D. H.....	1 57		52	2 09
Haseltine, L. M.....	2 44	3 50	4 37	10 31
Haseltine, F. A.	1 67		10 00	11 67
Hersey, M. M.....	7 80	1 50	10 20	19 50
Hersey, M. H.	6 15	2 50		8 65
Hersey, E. A.	1 25	2 50		3 75
Hardison, J.	1 50	3 00	1 50	6 00
Haines, Joseph.....		3 75		3 75
Haines, G. A.		3 00		3 00
Huff, D.		60		60
Herring, M. F.		1 25		1 25
Higgins, Thos.			45	45
Haines, L.			1 35	1 35
Hatch, C. C.....		27 30	9 77	37 07
Haseltine, J. M.	5 25		22 25	27 50
Harling, Wm.			75	75
Hamilton, W. P.....			2 10	2 10
Hayden, C. H..	25 05	58 29	11 67	95 01
Haskell, Chas. H.....		67 49		67 49
Hersey, Wm.....			30	30
Holt, Henry,	82			82
Ireland, S. S.		48 50		48 50
Johnson, Wm. M.		15 50	1 00	16 50
Jackson, S. O.....		5 00	9 30	14 30
Johnson, C. F.	6 62		7 16	13 78
Jose, H. H.	12 45	2 00	3 10	17 55
Jose, L. W.		4 00		4 00
Jackson, E.....		125 00	75	125 75
Jewett, Wm.....			1 50	1 50
Jewett, Chas.....			3 60	3 60
Jewett, Geo.			1 95	1 95
Jones, D. McG.....	20 25	10 28	10 19	40 72

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Jones, M. C.			2 17	2 17
Jewett, Oringe			6 85	6 85
Jennings, H.	7 35	1 80	10 27	19 42
Jose, S. O.	4 12		1 00	5 12
Jones, L. B.			5 02	5 02
Knox, Jerre.	3 90			3 90
Kittridge, John.			2 10	2 10
King, Thos.		11 75		11 75
Kittridge, J. A.			50	
Lane, Wm. N.	10 80	40 99	5 70	57 49
Lowell, Chas. H.	8 33	4 50	7 19	20 02
Libby, Sam'l C.		3 00		3 00
Labree, T. F.		1 95	3 75	5 70
Larrabee, John E.		17 60		17 60
Leighton, Delano.	12 42		18 78	31 20
Littlefield, A. R.	4 10		2 77	6 87
Lane, Geo.	2 00		30	2 30
Lane, L. K.	60		1 27	1 87
Leighton, James.	1 05			1 05
Lane, J. H.	90			90
Lane, James.	90			90
Libby, A. C. & E. G.		3 66		3 66
Leighton & Haines		96		96
Labree, G. W.		12 10	10 50	22 60
Lapman, Peter			90	90
Libby, E. F.	4 85		90	5 75
Lander, A. S.	1 00		3 70	4 70
Lane, Perley			1 12	1 12
Lane, Oliver,			2 50	2 50
Moore, Abial.	2 85	2 25	11 10	16 20
Morrison, Wm.	11 99	9 00	12 42	33 41
Martin, John.	2 92	3 00	2 60	8 52
Morrison, John.	1 57			1 57
Mower, P. S.	3 60	1 50	85	5 95
Mower, A. F. & W. C.	12 39		2 22	14 61
Mower, F. E.	4 65	2 00	2 67	9 32
Macomber, A. F.	15 08		11 01	26 09
Marshall, Charles.	3 33		9 50	12 83
Mower, Henry,	8 02		9 60	17 62
Meadar, S. D.	7 10		2 02	9 12
Mason, James.	60		2 07	2 67

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Morgridge, Wm.			3 15	3 15
Marsh, C. O.		342 60		342 60
Morgan, Chas.			2 25	2 25
Morgridge, Frank			2 25	2 25
Mayo & Son.		17 45		17 45
McCrillis, D. W.	60			60
Noble, W. W.		107 00		107 00
Nutter, H. B.	3 60		35	3 95
Nutter, Mrs. R.			3 00	3 00
Nuit, F. E.	1 75		5 00	6 75
Oliver, Wm.	5 60	3 00	16 50	25 10
Oliver, C. W.		3 00		3 00
Perry, W. S.		15 75		15 75
Pomeroy, Thomas		3 00		3 00
Parcher, O. P.		21 75		21 75
Page, C. M.	8 10	314 00		322 10
Phelps, Eben.	1 65		3 14	4 80
Page, S. B.	2 64		4 50	7 14
Prescott, David.	90			90
Puffer, Jacob.	3 37	1 50	8 45	13 32
Patten, Thomas.		6 55	2 50	9 05
Pullen, C. M.	7 95		6 60	14 55
Puffer, Daniel.	90	2 40		3 30
Patterson, G. A.	1 90	3 00	1 20	6 10
Prescott, Darius.		18 87		18 87
Page, Ira J.		87 50		87 50
Page, W. J.		8 25		8 25
Page, Eben.		10 12		10 12
Parkman, Charles.	1 75	2 30		4 05
Perham, Harley			45	45
Pullen, Henry.			3 00	3 00
Pooler, John.			90	90
Pomeroy, Joseph.			90	90
Prescott C. B.			1 65	1 65
Pooler, Thomas.			1 50	1 50
Page, H. W.			3 30	3 30
Page, Charles.			3 60	3 60
Russell, Fred.		3 37	3 68	7 05
Russell, Mandaville.	9 45	3 75	8 95	22 15
Russell, David.		2 40		2 40
Rollins, O. W.		1 88	1 40	3 28

TO WHOM PAID.	SPRING.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	TOTAL.
Rollins, Holman A.....		2 83	3 38	6 21
Rondo, Frank.....		9 00		9 00
Randall, Thomas	6 85		5 70	12 55
Russell, David, 2nd.....	4 95	2 00	6 66	13 61
Russell, Charles H.:	62	75		1 37
Roderick, Charles.....		7 50		7 50
Russell, Wilbur.....		1 50		1 50
Rand, Frank			60	60
Ricker, E.....		20 25	8 10	28 35
Roberts, S. R.			3 07	3 07
Robinson, Elmer.....			1 50	1 50
Roberts, N. F.....	5 75	20 00	10 00	35 75
Shepley, L.....	2 93		1 88	4 81
Shaw, A. G.....		3 39		3 39
Silver, S. C. & Son	1 47	10 00		11 47
Spooner, H. F.		25 40	50	25 90
Sawtelle, Geo.....	1 55		3 40	4 95
Spooner, Charles.....	2 00		6 77	8 77
Swanton, H. H.	4 80	1 60		6 40
Sprague, V. A.....	15		2 51	2 66
Skillins, J. W.....		3 75	5 25	9 00
Shepley, Dexter	2 75		7 25	10 00
Shepley, Geo.	45			45
Swanton, S. J.	3 45		3 97	7 42
Swanton, Felix.....		3 50	1 35	4 85
Shepherd, Abner	3 00	7 50	13 47	23 97
Swanton, Edward			2 25	2 25
Spooner, Jasper			90	90
Safford, H. I.....		3 00		3 00
Soule, M.....			1 20	1 20
Swanton, Silas B.....		82		82
Sturtevant, E. C.		1 50		1 50
Sampson, Darius .. .	9 80	3 90	8 20	21 90
Tuttle, Frank		17 77		17 77
Towle, R. J.	5 63		2 25	7 88
Trickey, J. C.	7 95			7 95
Twombly, Winfield....	1 27		2 25	3 52
Thompson, J.....	1 20		6 52	7 72
Thompson, Wm.....	3 05			3 05
Thompson, T. W.....	2 25			2 25
Taylor, Reuben.....	1 84		4 05	5 89

TO WHOM PAID.	SPRING.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	TOTAL.
Tyler, George.....		8 00		8 00
Thompson, D. F.	5 06	3 66		8 72
Thompson, Jonathan.....		3 00		3 00
Tilson, Isaac		2 50	1 50	4 00
Thompson & Hall.....		6 05		6 05
Thompson, W. P.....		50		50
Thompson, Charles			1 20	1 20
Thompson, B. C.		65		65
Whittemore, L. E.	7 20		4 62	11 82
Wheeler, Frank	4 57	15 00	7 80	27 37
White, S. S.....	1 20		2 85	4 05
Wheeler, S. F.	5 40		2 62	8 02
Wheeler, Reed.....	1 05			1 05
Wing, George.....	4 65		4 35	9 00
White, Gustavus.....	2 85			2 85
Watson, Jefferson	10 22		11 31	21 53
Witham, Charles F.		2 25		2 25
Whitcomb, Augustus	7 50		10 45	17 95
Weymouth, Myron		50		50
Witham, E. H.		3 00		3 00
Watson, Nelson.....			5 63	5 63
Weymouth, G. J.....			45	45
Willett, Andrew.....			1 35	1 35
Watson, Geo. W.....			45	45
Weymouth, P. S.	6 15		6 45	12 70
Whitney, E. L.....			2 50	2 50
Young, Luther.....	8 18	4 50	20 25	32 93
York, Wilson,.....			4 35	4 35
Total Spring work,.....				\$675 05
Total Summer work,				2,803 81
Total Winter work,				951 03
Whole amount expended for the year,				\$4,429 89

Appropriation for Roads,.....	\$4,000 00
" " New Roads.....	750 00
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	\$4,750 00
Amount Expended.....	4,429 88
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Balance unexpended.....	\$320 12
Expended on New Road.....	\$810 80
" " Sewer.....	296 64
" " Sidewalk	358 04
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	\$1,465 48
Expended breaking roads in Spring	\$675 05
" " " " Winter	951 02
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	\$1,626 07
Expended on Highways in Summer.....	\$1,337 33

TOWN FARM REPORT.

Paid H. T. Additon and wife for services on farm	\$37 50
C. A. Kimball and wife " " 	262 50
for Stock and supplies on farm.....	941 48
Decrease in produce sold from last year.....	186 60
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	\$1428 08
Received from Stock and produce sold.....	\$905 28
Increase in Stock from last year.....	114 00
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Balance against the farm.....	\$408 80

PRODUCTS OF FARM.

45 tons of hay.	13 bushels mixed cattle beets.
4 tons of straw	8 bushels turnips
200 bushels of potatoes.	11 bushels beans.
56 bushels mixed grain.	793 lbs. pork.
14 bushels barley.	515 lbs. beef.
40 bushels of corn.	29 bushels wheat.
4 bushels table beets.	

RECEIVED FOR STOCK AND PRODUCTS SOLD.

Sheep and Lambs	\$52 50
2 Pelts.....	1 25
162½ lbs. of Wool.....	40 63
2 Calves	17 17
Butter	26 75
Poultry	6 83
Eggs.....	10 31
2 Colts.....	140 00
Stock	355 00
Hay	161 42
Potatoes	59 40
Beef.....	16 82
Beans	10 20
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	\$898 28

PRODUCE ON HAND.

24 tons hay	\$11 00.....	\$264 00
1 ton straw.....	5 00.....	5 00
175 bushel potatoes	50.....	87 50
2 barrels of vinegar.....	6 00.....	12 00
10 gallons of molasses.....	35....	3 50
300 lbs. salt pork	10.....	30 00
1½ bushel beets	60.....	90
3 bushel turnips	40..	1 20
7 barrels apples.....	1 00.....	7 00
55 lbs. lard... ..	15.....	9 25
60 lbs. sugar	08.....	4 80
¾ barrel flour.....	6 00 ...	4 00
Tea, Coffee and Spice....	.....	1 00
3 lbs. of rolls.....	60.....	1 80
15 gallons pickles.....	50	7 50
36 lbs. beef.....	08... ..	2 88
4 gallons of kerosene oil	15.....	60
3 barrels soap	4 00.....	12 00
11½ bushels wheat	1 25.....	14 37
11 " mixed grain.....	60.....	6 60
11 " beans.....	1 50.....	16 50
6 " barley	75.....	4 50
6 " corn.....	75.....	4 50
1 " salt....	50.....	50

45 lbs. of dried apple.....	06.....	2 70
75 lbs. cotton seed .....	.....	1 20
½ bushel meal.....	70.....	35
28 lbs. of grass seed.....	.....	3 08
7 dozen of eggs.....	18.....	1 26
4000 feet lumber	50 00
9 lbs. butter.....	1 80
20 lbs. cheese.....	2 00
100 lbs. ham.....	12 00
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		\$576 29

STOCK ON HAND.

1 Horse.....	\$125 00
2 Oxen, 6 years old.....	140 00
2 Cows.....	85 00
3 3-year-old Heifers.....	105 00
1 2-year-old Heifer	25 00
1 yearling Heifer.....	5 00
4 2-year-old Steers	110 00
41 Sheep	160 00
3 Swine.....	20 00
38 Hens.....	19 00
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	\$794 00

NAME AND AGE OF PERSONS SUPPORTED AT FARM.

William Sturtevant.....	Age 65 years.
Lucien Jose.....	“ 48 “
Mrs. Savina Grover	“ 66 “
Mrs. Caroline Safford.....	“ 60 “

New Mowing Machine bought and paid for from products of farm, and the farm has also paid for the labor of painting the house.

DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PAID FOR POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

TOWN OF CARMEL.

G. G. Fifield, support Emma L. Davis and children	\$9 00
E. M. Tibbetts, " " " "	18 70
Dr. W. A. Bumps, medical attendance Emma L. Davis and children.....	6 00
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	\$33 70
Cooperative Store, Mark Davis and wife.....	6 00
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	\$39 70

TOWN OF CHESTER.

Dr. W. A. Bumps, support D. Pond family.....	\$85 00
Eliza Cousins, " " " "	19 00
Leighton & Haines, " " " "	5 09
E. A. Ayer, " " " " ..	2 00
O. P. Lougee, " " " "	2 00
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	\$113 09

DEXTER.

Town of Waterville, support of Chas. Baker family.....	\$78 87
Norrod Hurd, support Abbie C. Haines and children.....	40 00
Town of Monmouth, support Eliza Hollowell	53 10
E. M. Tibbetts, support P. Clukey.....	4 00
J. W. Grant, support C. B. Ronco and wife.....	4 00
A. G. Shaw, " " " "	2 50
Cooperative Store, " " " "	2 00
E. M. Tibbetts, " " " "	16 29
Leighton & Haines, " " " "	5 18
F. J. Fogg, " " " "	31 20
E. M. Tibbetts, support of R. G. Green, and family	5 00
W. Stuart, support of Chas. T. Carlton and wife	5 00
Flynt B. Moody, support Mrs. Raymond	\$22 00
E. M. Tibbetts, burial Mrs. Raymond.....	23 00

~~\$45 00~~

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L. W. Puffer, support of Mrs. Chas. T. Carlton	9 00
S. M. Towle, " " " "	2 00
Leighton & Haines " " " "	1 66
E. M. Tibbetts, " " " "	8 87
E. M. Tibbetts, burial expenses of C. T. Carlton	19 50
Chas. H. Hayden, digging grave " "	3 00
H. B. Crowell, support of Mrs. C. T. Carlton	7 30

\$56 33

Leighton & Haines, support Fayban Clukey	25 00
C. P. McCrillis, support Thomas Dulac	6 08
City of Auburn, support and burial of A. Lessor	46 98
Augustus Leo, support A. Lessor	10 00
E. M. Tibbetts, " "	9 38

\$66 36

Geo. W. Jones, support Mrs. Herbert Cousins	7 00
E. M. Tibbetts, burial of Ebenezer Breed	7 50
Dr. W. A. Bumps, med. attend. "	10 00

\$17 50

Total amount	\$618 20
Received from town of Carmel	\$39 70
" " " Chester	119 59
" " " Hartland	27 75

Deduct amount received from other towns \$187 04 |

\$431 16

Balance against Town Farm 408 80 |

\$839 96

Appropriation 600 00 |

Overdrawn \$239 96 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Engine Companies as per vote of town	\$550 00
L. B. Waldron, services as Engineer	10 00
“ “ “ Fire Warden	10 00
“ “ small bills paid and repairs	15 92
J. B. Haskell, services as Ass't Engineer	10 00
W. A. Leighton, care of Engine No. 1	15 00
S. L. Small, care of Force Pump	10 00
“ “ storing Hose Carriage	5 00
J. J. Haynes, refreshments L. Johnson's fire	3 30
“ “ “ Dodge and Dunham's fire	7 50
A. S. Jackson, repairs on air chamber	1 50
Boston Woven Hose Co., for Hose	37 00
Mineralized Rubber Co., for Hose	33 00
Button Fire Engine Co., for brake pole	6 00
Mineralized Rubber Co., for coupling	3 75
J. H. Fitzgerald, repairs	2 90
American Fire Hose Manufacturing Co., for Hose ...	275 35
E. L. Cousins, for wood	1 88
L. M. Johnson, for wood	4 00
Frank C. Clukey, sawing wood	1 35
Thurston & Swanton, watching Dodge fire	2 00
W. J. Haseltine, repairs	8 25
E. A. Flanders, lumber	7 32
Burdiet, Cobb and Carvers, watching Dunham's fire.	4 00
Leslie Curtis, repairing Engine	3 50
W. A. Leighton, labor	1 25
Fay & Scott, repairs	1 80
E. E. Hale, labor	6 50
Eugene Brawn, care Engine No. 2,	15 00
B. C. Thompson, repairs 1884	2 86
G. A. Hall, repairs	2 00
Dexter Woolen Mills, filling reservoir	5 00
Frank Crowell, wood engine house	4 00
Eugene Brawn, watching night July 3d	1 50
J. S. Libby, sawing wood	75
V. E. Macomber, filling reservoir	10 00
C. M. Oliver, “ “	10 00
J. H. Fitzgerald, Steward H. & L. Co.	10 00
“ “ repairs	2 00
W. H. Carr, supplies	13 01

J. B. Haskell, services as Warden	6 00
“ “ repairs	5 25
J. Springall & Co., supplies	90
Thos. D. Farrar, supplies	6 76
M. F. Herring, printing	1 50
S. Eldridge, lumber	1 00
Cooperative Store, refreshments at Dodge's fire	2 60
Furber Flynt, repairs	1 25
Bridgham & Son, for supplies	16 88
N. Dustin & Co., supplies	11 26
F. H. Hayes, refresh'ts Johnson's and Dunham's fires	8 60
“ “ supplies	3 68
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	\$1,179 86
By cash of Eagle Engine Co.	6 00
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	\$1,173 86

TOWN CHARGES.

E. Ricker, services as night watchman	\$ 12 75
Henry L. Moody do	45 00
D. K. Jenkins, land for road	30 00
H. C. Parsons, insurance town farm buildings	22 50
Moses M. Hersey, land for road	40 00
Herbert T. Additon, services on farm	37 50
Chas. A. Kimball, “ “ “	262 50
McClellan, Mosher & Co., for Inventory Books	30 00
J. L. Leighton, for trees for cemetery	50 00
M. F. Herring, printing	3 75
Wm. M. Johnson, grading Town Hall	1 50
Frank Wheeler, land for road	425 00
C. C. Hatch, “ “ “	50 00
Geo. E. Watson, “ “ “	10 00
Eastern State Pub. Co., printing	3 50
Morrill Sprague, care of brick and lumber	36 00
W. S. Giles, repairs on Town Hall	9 70
S. Eldridge, “ “ “ “	27 62
W. P. Oakes, surveying roads	4 50
Abner Shepherd, grading Town Hall	7 50
D. W. McCrillis, repairs on Town Hall	20 65
B. C. Thompson, “ “ “ “	8 32

Chas. Hanson, damages on highway	7 00
W. H. Carr, repairs on Town Hall.....	4 14
Dr. W. A. Bumps, vaccination	50 25
Leighton & Haines, supplies Town Hall.....	3 25
C. S. Sturtevant, land for road.....	12 50
C. Foss, supplies repairing Town Hall.....	19 65
C. P. McCrillis, " " "	22 27
Amos Abbott & Co., rent of Selectmen's office	36 00
S. L. Small, cleaning out channel mill pond	8 00
Bridgham & Son, stationery	10 00
N. Dustin & Co., repairs on Town Hall.....	4 53
F. A. Fassett, plans and specifications for School House..	256 50
C. A. Kimball, supplies for farm.....	36 20
J. H. Fitzgerald, services as constable	10 00
B. F. Mills, " " "	10 00
Allen Merrill, " " " ..	8 00
E. M. Tibbetts, postage, express, register of deeds, &c.,.	4 45
Crosby & Crosby, legal services	64 10
Allen Merrill, bills paid to protect foundation on School House lot	22 62
J. Thompson, labor grading around Town Hall	5 25
N. F. Roberts, small bills paid.....	1 75
D. W. McCrillis, services as Constable.....	5 00
" " care of Town Hall	58 50
E. M. Tibbetts, bills paid	5 00
Paid Allen Merrill, Percentage.....	328 06
Abatements and errors.....	146 55

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

John F. Haines, School Agent.....	25 00
E. H. Boynton, Supervisor	150 00
Benj. F. Eldridge, Town Agent.....	5 00
Levi Bridgham, Town Clerk	15 00
H. F. Derry, Town Treasurer.....	50 00
J. W. Leighton, Superintendent of Cemeteries	15 00
Chas. M. Page, Selectman.....	65 00
N. F. Roberts, "	110 00
E. M. Tibbetts "	135 00

\$2,375 25

ABATEMENTS.

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Dexter Shepley, abatement.....	\$3 00
G. D. Parshley, "	1 80
E. Packard, " 1884.....	3 00
J. D. Avery, "	3 00
A. S. Bond "	5 40
J. T. Blair, "	3 00
A. Bardell, "	3 00
John Berry, "	3 00
I. C. Emerson, "	3 00
Charles Erwing, "	3 00
Frank Farrar, "	3 00
Wm. Goff, "	3 00
G. D. Shepley, "	3 00
W. E. Gilman, "	4 00
D. Iredale, "	3 00
A. D. Kimball, "	3 00
S. Lancaster, "	3 00
E. H. Moore, "	3 36
Charles Martin, "	3 00
A. G. Morrill, "	3 00
H. McGurley, "	3 00
N. P. Oaks, "	3 00
G. Q. H. Putnam, "	3 00
Chas. Proctor, "	3 00
D. Pond, "	3 00
John Puffer, "	3 00
A. J. Ricker, "	3 00
Charles Royal, "	3 00
J. W. Burdick, "	1 52
Thomas Snee, "	3 00
G. W. Tibbetts, "	3 00
N. Watson, "	3 00
J. B. Lane, "	3 00
J. T. Lane, "	3 00
John Pooler, "	1 00
D. Huff, " 1882.....	1 00

 \$105 08

ERRORS IN TAX.

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A. M. Bradbury, error in tax	\$ 6 09
A. C. Libby, " 1884-5.....	5 40
Alba J. French, "	2 00
James Lane, "	2 70
Thomas Clukey, " 1882.....	1 00
Dr. G. A. Haines, "	18 00
E. G. & Malinda Libby" 1884.....	10 80
L. K. Bryant, " 1884.....	3 00
N. Richards, " 1884.....	3 00
W. W. Allen, "	3 00
I. Carver, "	3 45
S. J. Chase, "	3 00
L. Colbath, "	3 00
I. J. Fifield, "	3 00
C. A. Fassett, "	3 00
A. H. Fassett, "	3 00
G. F. Kimball, "	3 00
W. H. Moses, "	3 00
Frank Miles, "	3 00
F. M. Philbrick, "	3 63
J. W. Springall, "	5 40
John Drew, "	2 70
John Morrison, "	6 09
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	\$100 26

Bills Paid for which No Appropriations were Made.

David K. Jenkins, land for road	\$ 30 00
Moses M. Hersey, do	40 00
Frank Wheeler, do	425 00
C. C. Hatch, do	50 00
George E. Watson, do	10 00
Curtis S. Sturtevant, do	12 50
F. H. Fassett, plans for school house	256 50
E. M. Tibbetts, care of foundation on Town Lot	22 62
Morrill Sprague, care of brick and lumber	36 00
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	\$882 62

EXTRA APPROPRIATIONS.

Reservoirs,	\$200 00
Paid Jos. A. Haines	\$55 00
N. F. Roberts, for labor	36 07
E. A. Flanders, lumber	5 09
Darius Prescott, labor	2 25
Peter Clukey,	2 25
Chas. F. Bean, repairs	25 25 125 91
Balance unexpended.....	\$74 09
For Memorial Services... ..	25 00
Paid Samuel Morrill.....	25 00
For Town Library.....	500 00
Paid Geo. Hamilton, Treas.,	425 00
Balance unexpended.....	75 00
For New Hose Carriage.....	175 00
Paid American Fire Hose Co.	137 87
Balance unexpended.....	\$37 13

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES.

Highways.....	\$4,429 88
Fire Department.....	1,173 86
Dexter Town Library.....	425 25
Memorial Service	25 00
Support of Poor	739 96
Town Charges	2,849 86
High School.....	1,050 00
Reservoirs.....	125 91
New Hose Carriage.....	137 87
Town Schools.....	3,952 52
School Books	359 48

LIABILITIES.

Alice E. Foss, given May 13, 1878, at 4 per cent.....	\$1,034 00
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RESOURCES.

Due from Town Schools.....	\$197 37
non-resident tax deed, J. O. Currier, 1881.....	4 27
“ “ “ “ “ 1882.....	2 70
“ “ “ “ “ 1883.....	2 55
“ “ “ C. O. Marsh.....	7 22
on Dr. O. Fitzgerald's real estate, 1882.....	81 00
“ “ “ “ “ 1883.....	9 50
from State for military expenses.....	50 00
non-resident tax, returned by Collector.....	99 17
Dr. O. Fitzgerald's tax, returned by Collector 1885..	94 35
from O. P. Parcher, grass on common, 1883.....	3 00
from Dustin Manufacturing Co., 2800 brick sold	22 40
Amount in hands of Collector.....	1,603 05
Cash in Treasury.....	366 61
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	\$2,543 19
Liabilities deducted.....	1,034 00
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	\$1,509 19

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

For support of Town Schools.....	\$2,500 00
For support of Free High School	800 00
Town Charges.....	2,500 00
Highways	4,000 00
New Roads.....	500 00
Support of Poor.....	1,000 00

Respectfully submitted as the financial standing of the Town
March 1st, 1886, and the expenditures for one year.

E. M. TIBBETTS,	} SELECTMEN OF DEXTER.
N. F. ROBERTS,	

Received for use of Road Machine.....	\$8 00
from B. C. Giles, for repairing sewer	10 00
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	\$18 00
Paid J. M. Haseltine, on sidewalk scraper.....	18 00

DEXTER TOWN LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, '86.

The whole number of books in the Library is 2252; of this number 2102 appear upon the catalogue. 229 have been added during the current year, besides twenty-three to replace books worn out. Classified as follows;

Agricultural and Horticultural	-	-	-	40
Biographical	-	-	-	130
Fiction	-	-	-	903
Historical	-	-	-	185
Juvenile	-	-	-	91
Poems and Essays	-	-	-	51
Theological	-	-	-	43
Travels and Adventures	-	-	-	170
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	489
Public Documents	-	-	-	150
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Present number of books taken 557.

Number taken out during the year 10,362.

Largest number taken out by one person 70.

The books have been well cared for by the patrons, and an extended interest is shown by the large increase of open accounts.

The Trustees are pleased to report that last May, some unknown and very modest friend, sent to the Dexter Town Library a complete set of Appleton's American Cyclopedia (all bills paid) from Boston, Mass.

Owing to the growth of the Library we found it necessary to change its location. We have fitted up a convenient room which we think will answer the purpose for some years, or until more convenient quarters can be supplied.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. DOLE,	}	TRUSTEES.
GEO. A. ABBOTT,		
H. L. WOOD,		
GEO. HAMILTON,		
A. F. BRADBURY.		

Dexter, Maine, March 1, 1886.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The Treasurer of Dexter Town Library would make the following report:

1885.

RECEIPTS.

March 1.	By cash on hand	\$ 24 11
July 23.	received from Town of Dexter.....	100 00
1886.		
June 26.	do do	200 00
March 1.	do do	125 00
	for fines	10 65
	catalogues sold	5 30
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		\$465 06

1885.

EXPENDITURES.

May 6.	To paid Springall & Co., bill for binding books	\$ 13 86
28.	Eastern State printing Co., for labels...	6 00
June 1.	stamping books and changing labels	3 00
July 23.	Eastern State Printing Co., printing rules	
	and regulations	4 00
Sept. 1.	publishing notice in Dexter Gazette....,	1 00
Nov. 4.	Sam'l Eldridge, bill for book cases and	
	fitting up in library room	51 80
17.	for lock	1 25
20.	Leighton & Haines, for lamps.....	6 75
1886.		
Jan. 26.	Cyrus Foss, for wire netting, stoves, etc.	19 90
	S. A. Winslow, for painting book cases,	
	signs, etc.	13 25
	E. M. Tibbetts, bill of chairs.....	3 50
	Springall & Co., bill of books.....	142 37
	Eastern State, for printing catalogues ...	7 00
Feb. 25.	for wood	5 42
27.	H. F. Weatherell, for book	2 00
	Century Co., subscription to the "Book	
	Buyer"	55
March 1.	Springall & Co., bill of books..	70 06
	Eastern State, for printing catalogues ..	3 50
	oil bill.....	1 26
	Dexter Savings Bank, rent.....	18 00
	A. A. Springall, salary as Librarian.....	75 00
	cash on hand.....	15 59
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		\$465 06

GEO. HAMILTON, TREAS.

REPORT OF SCHOOL AGENT.**FREE HIGH SCHOOL.**

Amount appropriated by the town.....	\$800 00	
received from the State ..	250 00	
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paid teachers		1050 05

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Amount appropriated by the town.....	\$2500 00	
received from the State	1144 58	
interest on school fund..	157 64	
town appropriation for books	300 00	
received from John Nutter, tuition ..	1 25	
Seldon Crowell, tuition	2 00	
Charles Goff, “	3 50	
E. G. Robinson, “	4 66	
J. D. Marsh, “	1 00	
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount overdrawn last year.....	\$ 55 69	
Paid union district in Corinna.....	57 50	
teachers.....	3091 35	
for books and material...	359 48	
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Paid for wood	\$ 306 50	
care of rooms	102 50	
cleaning rooms	39 25	
furniture, and repairing old.....	25 24	
banking houses ..	20 00	
grading at Brown House.....	5 50	
outside windows, Brown House and High		
School	45 50	
building fence at Free street	5 43	
repairs and material.....	82 93	
printing	13 95	
material and supplies as per sundry bills	82 03	
fitting and housing wood.....	19 15	
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Amount overdrawn.....	\$4312 00	
of books and material on hand.....	\$197 37	
	175 16	

The Brown House and building on Free street very much need painting and I would recommend that two hundred and fifty dollars be raised for that purpose.

The building in District No. 4 needs repairs very much. There should be seventy-five dollars expended on that building.

JOHN F. HAINES,

SCHOOL AGENT.

TOWN HALL.

Paid D. W. McCrillis, care of Hall	\$ 58 50	
wood for hall.....	68 25	
sawing wood for hall and small bills.....	16 20	
oil, etc.	41 87	
		\$184 82
Received for rent of hall.....	163 00	
Wood on hand.....	22 00	
Oil on hand.....	4 00	
		189 00
Balance in favor of hall.....		\$ 4 18

The hall has been opened 77 times.

do do 21 times for pay, 56 times free.

Hall has been opened free for the following purposes:

High School 6 times; Town meetings 4 times; Temperance meetings 5 times; Episcopal Society 3 times; Baptist Society once; Universalist Society 3 times; H. F. Safford Post 3 times; Memorial Day once; Memorial of Gen. U. S. Grant once; Mr. Howard's lecture on Gettysburg once; Fire Department 5 times; Company C,—military, 20 times.

N. F. ROBERTS, AGENT.

DEXTER SCHOOL FUND.

The Treasurer of Dexter School Fund would submit the following Report:

Whole amount of School Fund	\$2,689 47
Invested as follows:	
Town of Dexter Bonds.....	1,900 00
Town of Corinna Bonds.....	600 00
Deposited in Dexter Savings Bank.....	189 47
	\$2,689 47

Interest amounting to \$157.64 has been paid into the Town Treasury.

Dexter, March, 1886.

GEO. HAMILTON, TREAS.

J. W. LEIGHTON, IN ACCT. WITH TOWN OF DEXTER.

1886.

NEW CEMETERY.

March 1.	To 100 trees and setting	\$ 50 00
	A. S. Farrar, labor.....	4 00
	2 and two-thirds cords dressing....	9 33
	S. S. Watson, labor.....	3 50
	repairing fence and cutting bushes.	50
	storm entry for tomb.....	11 10
	Geo. Hamilton, for deeds.....	5 25
		<hr/> \$ 83 68

OLD CEMETERY.

May.	To C. H. Hayden, labor	\$ 16 23
	S. S. Watson, labor.....	1 50
	J. W. Leighton, labor	5 25
	W. A. Herrick, "	1 50
June.	S. Eldridge, for lumber.....	1 75
	Nails	55
	C. F. Witherell, for lumber.....	2 01
	Making deeds	75
		<hr/> \$ 39 54

GREEN CEMETERY.

To C. H. Hayden, labor,	75
J. W. Leighton, "	1 00
	<hr/> \$ 1 75

STORER CEMETERY.

June 10.	To Delano Leighton, labor.....	\$ 2 50
	W. H. Curtis, "	2 50
	J. W. Leighton, "	2 00
		<hr/> \$ 7 00

\$121 97

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By 10 lots sold in new cemetery.....	\$ 100 00
2 " old "	10 00
grass sold in new "	6 00
wood " old "	1 25
2 lots sold by Wm. M. Johnson	20 00
	<hr/> \$ 137 25

Balance paid to treasurer..... \$15 28

Four deeds made, not taken..... \$40 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. LEIGHTON, Supt.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

TOWN OF DEXTER IN ACC'T WITH H. F. DERRY, TREAS.

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By am't in Treasury at commencement of year	\$2,389 39
“ received from town of Hartland.	27 75
“ “ “ D. D. Flynt, acc't jugs, kegs and bottles sold.....	5 02
By am't received from non-resident tax returned by Col- lector, 1884 tax	8 10
By am't received from Selectmen—acc't land damages..	20 00
“ “ “ “ license acc't John Skelton	10 80
“ “ “ “ “ traveling show...	4 00
“ “ “ “ Sale of 300 bricks to Fay & Scott	2 40
By am't received from Selectmen, acc't Eagle Engine Co. No. 1.....	6 00
By am't received from town of Chester.....	119 59
“ “ “ “ Carmel.....	39 70
“ “ from Selectmen, temporary loan	2,750 00
“ “ D. W. McCrillis, rent Town Hall	144 75
“ “ State of Maine, rent of armory.....	50 00
“ “ “ “ R. R. & telegraph tax	2 40
“ “ “ “ School fund & mill tax	1,144 58
“ “ “ “ Free High School	250 00
“ “ Collector taxes 1884	12 00
“ “ Geo. Hamilton, interest on school fund	157 64
“ “ M. L. Abbott, on acc't land damages .	20 00
“ “ Wm. M. Johnson, lots sold in cemetery	20 00
“ “ J. W. Leighton, “ “	45 28
“ “ E. G. Robinson, school money from town of Ripley	4 66
By am't due on Dr. O. Fitzgerald tax, 1882.....	81 00
“ “ “ “ “ 1883.....	9 50
“ “ R. W. Gilmore's tax, 1883.....	21 00
“ “ J. O. Currier's “tax deed,” 1881.....	4 27
“ “ “ “ “ 1882.....	2 70
“ “ “ “ “ 1883..	2 55
“ “ Chas. O. Marsh, “ 1881.....	7 22
“ commitment to Collector, 1885.....	15,771 46

"	rec'd from Selectmen, license G. A. Hall.....	1 00
"	" " J. F. Haines account Chas. Goff and others, tuition	7 75
	By am't rec'd from Selectmen for plow sold.....	5 00
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		\$23,147 51

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	To am't paid on Selectmen's orders on Treasurer.....	\$13,594 19
"	" Highway orders.....	4,450 74
"	" interest on funded debt.....	40 00
"	" for recording three deeds.....	1 62
"	" Dexter Savings Bank, temporary loan....	2,750 00
"	" " " int. on " "	40 54
"	tax deed Dr. O. Fitzgerald's 1882 tax	81 00
"	" " " 1883 tax	9 50
"	J. O. Currier's tax deed 1881.....	4 27
"	" " " 1882.....	2 70
"	" " " 1883.....	2 55
"	Chas. O. Marsh " 1881.....	7 22
"	non-resident tax rec'd by Collector 1885.....	99 17
"	Dr. Fitzgerald's tax rec'd by Collector 1885	94 35
"	in hands of Collector.....	1,603 05
"	in Treasury.....	366 61
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		\$23,147 51

H. F. DERRY,

TREASURER OF DEXTER.

Report of the Greenleaf Committee.

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The Committee appointed at the adjourned Town Meeting, November 7th, 1885, to settle with John A. Greenleaf, have attended to the duty assigned them, and submit the following Report:

We met Mr. Greenleaf on the twenty-first day of November, and he presented to us the following bills, viz:

Bearce & Clifford's bill for excavation and foundation...	\$ 626	20
Stephen Blaisdell's " granite work.....	429	37
F. L. Goodwin's " bricks	1039	50
Abner Shepherd's " hauling brick	73	46
Geo. D. Chandler's " "	45	40
S. S. & J. Ireland's " timber and lumber ...	502	29
G. C. & C. E. Wing's " counsel	44	12
Maxwell & Libby's " expenses and time.....	55	40
John A. Greenleaf's " material, time, expense, etc. .	167	75

The whole amounting to..... \$ 2983 49

These were larger figures than we had been led to expect would be laid before us. We had quite a lengthy conference, and at its close the best proposition we could get from him, was \$2,800. This was not satisfactory to us, as we did not wish to take the bricks, but found we could not effect a settlement on the basis of rejecting any of the material. We then required longer time to deliberate, and finally decided to make him definite propositions on the twenty-fifth of November; and on that day offered to pay all his bills in full, less the cost of the bricks as they stood upon the Town Lot, say \$2,158.36, thus making the payment \$1,825.13: or we would pay him the amount which he offered to accept on the twenty-first of November, viz: \$2,800, provided he would deduct \$50 for ash sheathing and window frame stock which had not been received. Mr. Greenleaf concluded to accept the latter proposition, and we reported to the Selectmen that we had arranged for a settlement, as directed by the Town, for the sum of \$2,750.00. The Town are to retain all the Materials upon the Town Lot.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES SHAW,
B. F. ELDRIDGE,
A. F. BRADBURY,

} Committee.

DEXTER, Feb. 27, 1886.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS OF THE DEXTER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF DEXTER:

The following is respectfully submitted as the report of the services and standing of your Fire Department for the municipal year ending March 1st, A. D. 1886:

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

CHIEF ENGINEER,	*J. C. LEIGHTON.
1st ASSISTANT,	L. B. WALDRON.
2d “	J. B. HASKELL.

FIRES.

There have been five fires during the year, as follows: March 15th, at 2.15 o'clock P. M., fire was discovered in the dwelling house owned and occupied by L. M. Johnson, on High Street. A good alarm was sounded, and it was met with a prompt response by the department, which did excellent service, confined the fire to the house with comparatively small damage, and saved the adjoining L and stable. At this fire, water was principally taken from the reservoir near J. H. Larrabee's, 1100 feet distant. Cause of fire, defective chimney. Loss, \$425, fully insured. June 20th, at 8.25 o'clock A. M., fire in the dry house of Eldridge Bros., just off Main Street and on the "Flat." This, also, was a good alarm, and met with a remarkably quick response by your firemen, who speedily extinguished the flames without much damage. Hand Grenades did good service in deadening the fire in its incipient stages. Cause of fire, defective heating apparatus. Damage about \$25.

*Moved from Town in August.

This fire came at an opportune time; had it occurred in the dead hours of night, it is difficult to foretell the disastrous conflagration which might have followed. This dry house, in its nature and situation is little, if anything, short of a nuisance, and with its connections, has been a long standing source of solicitude to the Department. Sept. 28th, at 2.40 o'clock P. M., fire was discovered in the dwelling house on Church Street, owned by Amos Abbott & Co., and occupied by D. W. McCrillis. Department promptly answered the call, but its services not needed. Damage very slight. Cause of fire, defective flue entering into the chimney. Nov. 20th, at 10.40 o'clock P. M., an alarm was sounded for a fire in the stable of Israel A. Dodge, on Lower Main Street. This fire caught in the stable adjoining the house, and connected thereto by an L. The flames spread rapidly over the entire inside of the structure, consuming the stable and all therein. The Department, as ever, was promptly on hand, and by persistent hard fighting quelled the flames and saved the adjoining house and L. Damage about \$1000, insured for about \$600. Cause of fire unknown. The remarkable proficiency of your Fire Department was again well demonstrated at this fire. Seldom does it happen that a fire bidding so well for an extensive conflagration, is as rapidly and neatly extinguished with as little loss as was this one, and the systematic and heroic efforts of your firemen are well worthy the praise they received. The fifth and last alarm was sounded at 5.55 o'clock A. M., on Dec. 16th, and was occasioned by a fire in the barn of B. F. Dunham, just over the Lake. A good alarm and an exceedingly prompt response by the Department. We were here compelled to take water from the Lake, some 1200 feet distant, after exhausting the wells at the house, and force it up the long incline intervening. After a short time only one stream could be thrown, and it being practically impossible to get at the fire inside the barn on account of the heat and stifling smoke, the efforts of your firemen were directed towards saving the house and shed, (the latter being

well filled with grain) which they did with but little damage to the shed, and none to the house. It was not possible to save either of the two large barns well filled with hay and straw, thus feeding the angry flames with the best of material, and both were burned down together with about 70 tons of hay and some implements of farming. Loss, about \$3750. Insurance, \$1719. Cause of fire, breaking a kerosene lantern on the hay mow. On few occasions have your firemen been called to longer, or more arduous duty than here, and well did they acquit themselves.

EQUIPMENTS.

Engines and Hose Carriages of Companies Nos. 1 and 2 are in excellent condition, with 35 men each. Co. No. 1 has about 663 feet, and No. 2 about 695 feet 2 1-2 inch rubber-lined hose, mostly cotton, in fair condition, (150 feet to each Co—new).

Union Hook & Ladder Co. Truck and Ladders in excellent condition, with 20 men, 1 large and 1 small extension ladder, 3 roof ladders, 2 leaning ladders and 2 small hand ladders.

Independent Hose Co. Carriage new this year, 10 men, 650 feet 2 1-2 inch rubber-lined cotton hose in good condition, (150 feet new).

Spooner's Mills Co. Engine in fair condition, 30 men, 600 feet 2 inch hose (300 feet leather and same of linen) all second handed.

There are 10 good reservoirs, well located, to cover nearly all the Village, and a large number of good places to set machines along the stream, some of them open during the winter. There are also 24 double headed Hydrants, as follows: 3, owned or supported by the Town, 3 owned by Amos Abbott & Co., and 18 owned by the Dexter Woolen Mills Corporation, all of which are at the service of the Town at all times when needed.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We would recommend the connection of the force pump at Abbott's Mill with that one at the Grist Mill, by pipes,

with at least one double-headed Hydrant connected thereto, in order that the combined use of the two pumps may be so much more readily obtained in case of fire in the vicinity of either. This would obviate the necessity of considerable hose and insure the complete utility of one pump in case the other should, from any cause, become disabled. In future years this pipe might be extended, if necessary, another pump connected, driven by Eldridge Bros'. power, thereby making our facilities all that could be desired for preventing conflagrations, by which we are so liable to be visited.

We would recommend the Town to adopt the Fire Ordinance submitted for its approval. The proper parties to manage this department of the affairs of the Town are the Engineers, and we trust the Town will adopt this rule.

The new reservoir built during the year, has, during the major part of the time since, been less than half full, and it seems altogether likely it will need to be cemented, if it is to be of any service, and we deem it necessary to be done.

The two reservoirs located near E. M. Tibbetts', on Maple Street, and H. S. Dole's, on Main Street, should be changed by removing their openings from the sidewalks. Public sentiment demands it; the Engineers have before asked it; and the Town has once signified its desire that it be done.

We recommend instructing the Constables, according to the Article in the Warrant relating thereto, regarding their duty at fires. This we think necessary to the better protection of goods and merchandise, which it is not possible for the engineers to protect or take charge of in case of large fires demanding all their time.

We also recommend paying the firemen the same as last year, and that the Village part thereof be divided on the basis of 40 men to each Engine Co., 25 men to the Hook & Ladder Co., and 10 men to the Independent Hose Co., provided they maintain the Companies at that standard in membership.

REMARKS.

The Department has been supplied during the year with a new reservoir on Pleasant Street, at a cost of \$100.66, 450 feet new hose, at a cost of \$359.10, and one new hose carriage for the Independent Hose Co., at a cost of \$145, and the old cart in exchange.

The reservoir by the Depot has been uncovered and examined, and found to be in an excellent state of preservation. The covering stone on the one near J. H. Larrabee's has been badly broken by the moving a building across it, and very likely will soon need to be replaced by another.

In conclusion we with pride point you to the enviable standing and services of your Department, and justly claim for it a superiority over any like organization in the State. It may truly be said to in good part be composed of the flower of your municipal, social and business life, and is a composition of quick intelligence and manly strength.

L. B. WALDRON,	}	Board of Engineers.
J. B. HASKELL		

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR.

In accordance with my duty as Supervisor of Schools, I submit the following report:

Amount of money apportioned by the Town		
for Common Schools.....	\$2500 00	
The Mill Tax, from State.....	1144 58	
Interest on School Fund.....	157 64	
For School Books.....	300 00	
Tuition received in Rural Schools ..	12 40	_____
Total for Common Schools.....		\$4114 62
For Free High School by Town....	\$800 00	
“ “ “ State....	250 00	
	_____	1050 00
Total amount for schools		\$5164 62

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Teachers in Village, Com'n Sch'ls	\$1516 50	
“ “ Rural Districts	1629 85	
“ High School.....	1050 00	
“ for Books	359 48	
“ “ Union School	2 50	
Expended by School Agent.....	747 98	_____
		\$5306 31
Overdraft.....		\$197 37

HIGH SCHOOL.

This school continues under the tuition of Prof. W. W. Allen, a most able and successful teacher. The school room is made homelike. Harmony and happiness prevail. Recitations become pleasurable.

His instructions are eminently practical, and there is always a reserve fund of information upon the subject discussed, to be given in illustration to fasten the lesson upon the memory of the pupil. Not only the intellectual interests of the student are considered, but the physical and moral as well. Said a mother from another town to me on examination day, "I feel perfectly safe to have my child under his influence!" Miss M. J. C. Thompson, so long identified with this school as assistant, retains her interest and enthusiasm unabated. The school is surely doing well, and promises much more for the future.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This I consider one of our most important schools, as it becomes, in the minds of many, the terminus of their school life.

To hold these scholars through a three years' Course, and inspire them to still higher attainments, is an undertaking not to be winked at as of little consequence. The age of these scholars incline them to break away from restraint, and this, with the crowded condition of the scholars, renders the government of the school difficult, and the work onerous. But our teacher, Mr. R. W. Nutter, we have found able to overcome all these difficulties. His order is perfect, and he will send up to the High School this year one of the most promising classes that has ever graduated here. He says, "This has been one of my best years." The pleasant faces of many parents present at the examination, bespoke their satisfaction and pleasure.

INTERMEDIATE NO. 1.

Miss Bessie Nuttér continues the head of this school. So long occupying this place, and so often and by so many

commended, she needs no words from me. I have never seen a prettier, more orderly and interesting school. The right teacher in the right place.

INTERMEDIATE NO. 2.

Miss Jennette S. Barton has occupied this place nearly two years. She has well-nigh revolutionized the school. Systematic, conscientious, industrious, the school constantly rises intellectually and morally. We sincerely hope she may long occupy this position.

PRIMARY NO. 1.

Miss Millie Burton, the teacher of this school, has been constantly growing in favor since she first entered it. Kind, pleasing and enthusiastic in her work, she is bound to succeed. Her school is large, but no one is neglected. We hope her successor will fill her place.

PRIMARY NO. 2.

Several years Mrs. Nellie Foss has been connected with this school. Several of her scholars are now in the Grammar school who show that they were well started. She loved the children, and in turn was regarded as a mother. The year has been pleasant and successful, as have been the former ones, and with many regrets the parents of the scholars part with her services.

PRIMARY NO. 3.

This school was organized last spring under some difficulties. Children must be torn from former associations and teachers, which was hard for them and for their parents. But we found the parents kind and reasonable and the school was finally organized with Miss Elmie Briggs at its head. Miss Briggs is a most worthy and cultivated lady, and under her direction the school soon assumed the appearance of a *bee hive*. All were at work, all happy. Miss B. resigned at the close of the fall term, and Miss M. Lizzie Bailey took her place.

Miss Bailey did not in the least disappoint us. At the closing examination we found the school remarkably quiet,

and the exercises interesting and pleasant. Many parents were present and freely expressed their satisfaction, not only in words, but by a *substantial* gift which we enjoyed the honor of presenting.

RURAL SCHOOLS.

NUMBER 1.

This is the Union District under the charge of Corinna. Eleven of Dexter's scholars are included in this District this year who draw from the school fund fifty-five dollars. It is said they have enjoyed nineteen weeks of excellent school during the year.

NUMBER 2.

By the unanimous request of the parents, Miss M. Lizzie Bailey taught this school both spring and fall terms. We thought at our first visit here, that there were good elements but they needed arousing. By dint of perseverance Miss B. succeeded in doing this, and left the school in the fall, greatly profited.

Miss Lena Allan, of Corinna, taught the winter term, taking up the work where left, and enjoyed increasing interest through the term. I think the parents unanimously regard this one of their best school years.

NUMBER 3.

Like No. 2, we found this school needed arousing. The teacher, to succeed here, must possess two things, fire and perseverance.

The spring term was very pleasant, under the instruction of Miss Alice Cummings, a graduate of Dexter High School. Perfect harmony prevailed throughout the term and a good degree of interest was manifest. At the close of spring term Miss C. resigned to finish her course in Farmington Normal School, and Miss Jennie Danforth taught the fall and winter terms. At the end of seven weeks Miss D. fell sick and the school closed without an examination. The winter term opened auspiciously with thirteen scholars and a good degree of interest manifest; but mumps and, perhaps indisposition, caused a great falling off, which greatly dis-

heartened the teacher. The parents speak well of Miss D., and we believe she will succeed.

NUMBER 4.

This is one of Dexter's living schools. The teacher, Miss Ella J. Mower, understands her business and attends to it, and succeeds in infusing her enthusiasm into her scholars. The High School will soon hear from No. 4. We have nothing but commendation.

NUMBER 5.

The enterprise of the parents here, manifested in their interest in the school house and school ensures success. No Supervisor could have a heart to send them any but a first-class teacher. Miss Alice Maxim sustained through the year her excellent reputation as teacher. At the closing examination Prof. Allen and several parents were present, who seemed pleased with the proficiency of the scholars. At the close of examination, one of the scholars, in a neat little speech, on behalf of the school, presented the teacher a pretty ink stand, in expression of their esteem and appreciation of her services.

NUMBER 7

This, in many respects, is a very pleasant school. Miss May H. Hamilton was placed in charge, and the spring and fall terms were a success. During the winter term there was a falling off in numbers, and a consequent diminution of interest. Miss H. is a graduate of Dexter High School, a good scholar, and with just a little more push will become one of our best teachers.

NUMBER 8.

This school, in some respects, has been unfortunate. Three different teachers during the year. Miss Minerva M. Marsh taught the spring term, with good success. Miss Mabel Addition, the fall term, and Miss Mae Watson the winter term. These teachers, all young, did good work, and will make excellent teachers.

NUMBER 9.

Miss Lettie Daggett, teacher. It is as pleasant to visit this school as to report it. The teacher is queen. Her word is a pleasant law. For five consecutive years she has had charge. Every scholar is smart, and the examinations are delightful. One of the pleasantest in town. Surely no change of teachers is needed here.

NUMBER 10.

The spring term was under the direction of Miss Mabel Additon. The school opened well and did excellent work until near the close, there arose some outside disturbance which greatly affected the interests of the school. We think Miss A. acquitted herself well, and will succeed.

The fall and winter terms were taught by Miss Minerva M. Marsh, who very soon won the affections of both scholars and parents. Perfect harmony prevailed. There was a constantly increasing interest manifest, which made our closing visit very pleasant.

NUMBER 11.

Miss Ella Jennings, teacher. This school, this year, registers the largest attendance of any of the rural schools. The scholars many of them are large, and are regarded among the hardest to govern. Miss J., here as elsewhere, both governed and taught the school, acquitting herself as a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

NUMBER 12.

This school is very small, but here we find some promising scholars. Miss Nellie Trask, a young teacher taught the spring term and did well. Returning to the High School she resigned, and the fall and winter term were under the direction of Miss Amy Lowell, a graduate of High School, and a promising teacher. There was good advancement made, and the scholars were very thorough.

NUMBER 13.

This is the new school and among the prettiest in town.

Miss Elouise Proctor has had charge of it from the beginning and has succeeded grandly. Improvement from term to term is clearly observable.

A fact worthy of mention is, that only three teachers have been employed out of town, and of these, one is a graduate of Dexter High School. Of the teachers employed, fourteen are Graduates of High School, five have had the advantages of Normal School, and two of College training.

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Schools.	Teacher.		Wages of Teacher Per Week.	No. Scholars in District.	No. Attending School.	Av. No. attending School.	Cases Tardiness.	Cases Dismissal.	Not absent 1 day.	No. Daily Rec.	Visits by Citizens	Pr. ct. of av. while No. at. School.
High.	W. W. Allen,	s.	25.00		52	47	41	..	16	..	..
	M. J. C. Thompson,	f.	10.00		59	57	29	..	18	..	..	93
	"	w.	"		61	56	32	..	..	..	..
Gram- mar.	R. W. Nutter,	s.	16 00		68	48	20	2	27	14	46	
	"	f.	15 50		58	46	17	7	28	14	30	80
	"	w.	15 50		54	50	18	4	21	14	45	
Int. No. 1.	Bessie Nutter,	s.	7 00		41	39	..	..	18	20	26	
	"	f.	7 00		46	42	..	..	13	24	20	95
	"	w.	7 75		46	43	..	..	19	24	20	
Int. No. 2.	Jennette S. Barton,	s.	7 00		33	31	46	2	18	20	20	
	"	f.	7 00		37	34	21	2	9	21	21	90
	"	w.	7 75		37	31	23	0	3	21	14	
Pri. No. 1.	Millie Burton,	s.	7 00		66	59	53	8	18	15	38	
	"	f.	7 00		52	44	26	20	15	17	25	90
	"	w.	7 75		42	39	39	5	31	17	19	
Pri. No. 2.	Mrs. Nellie Foss,	s.	7 00		50	43	..	4	11	20	35	
	"	f.	7 00		41	27	..	3	3	19	20	80
	"	w.	7 75		43	35	71	11	1	19	22	
Pri. No. 3.	Elmie J. Briggs,	s.	7 00		68	40	86	23	9	16	51	
	"	f.	7 00		51	40	41	20	8	16	52	72
	M. Lizzie Bailey,	w.	7 50		40	34	27	17	9	19	51	
	Village Schools,			496	348	295						
Rural No. 2.	M. Lizzie Bailey,	s.	6 00		7	6	5	5	2	20	25	
	"	f.	6 00	15	10	9	7	5	5	24	18	90
	Lena L. Allan,	w.	6 00		12	11	5	9	1	24	16	
No. 3.	Alice R. Cummings,	s.	5 00	10	12	9	28	3	2	39	7	
	Jennie Danforth,	f.	5 00		15	13	26	2	1	35	7	80
	"	w.	5 25		11	7	28	10	0	21	2	

Schools.	Teachers.	Wages of Teacher Per Week.	No. of Scholars in District.	No. Attending School.	Av. No. Attending School.	Cases Tardiness.	Cases Dismissal.	Not Absent 1/2 day.	No. Daily Rec.	Visits by Citizens	Pr. et. of av. while No. at'd g School.
No. 4.	Ella J. Mower, s.	6 00		20	16	14	2	10	24	6	
	“ f.	6 00	31	22	17	2	0	8	24	0	80
	“ w.	6 50		22	18	8	..	7	20	3	
No. 5.	Alice H. Maxim, s.	6 00		16	14	6	2	6	29	16	
	“ f.	6 00	22	17	17	3	5	10	29	6	90
	“ w.	6 50		21	17	7	3	9	24	17	
No. 7.	May H. Hamilton, s.	5 50		18	15	11	0	..	18	13	
	“ f.	6 00	22	20	15	7	2	..	15	20	77
	“ w.	6 50		10	7	10	0	..	15	6	
No. 8.	Minerva M. Marsh, s.	5 00		6	5 1/2	14	1	..	24	14	
	Mabel Additon, f.	5 50	11	8	6 1/2	9	1	..	25	10	80
	Mae E. Watson, w.	5 00		12	8	14	2	..	29	5	
No. 9.	Lettie Daggett, s.	6 00		17	15	6	3	2	19	..	
	“ f.	6 00	24	17	16	4	3	..	18	..	89
	“ w.	6 50		11	9	4	2	2	18	..	
No. 10.	Mabel Additon, s.	6 00		25	20	29	11	5	24	15	
	Minerva M. Marsh, f.	5 50	35	20	16	16	10	2	25	20	80
	“ w.	6 00		20	16	30	4	8	20	..	
No. 11.	Ella A. Jennings, s.	6 00		23	20	3	0	4	23	5	
	“ f.	6 00	20	24	20	2	0	4	30	3	85
	“ w.	6 50		28	24	..	..	..	29	..	
No. 12.	Nellie F. Trask, s.	4 75		5	4	9	3	3	19	10	
	Amy M. Lowell, f.	4 50	6	7	6	12	4	1	24	6	82
	“ w.	5 00		5	4	5	3	0	19	6	
No. 13.	Eloise B. Proctor, s.	5 00		9	6	1	2	..	13	9	
	“ f.	5 50	13	8	7	17	..	2	17	8	76
	“ w.	6 00		12	9	7	..	..	23	8	
Rural Schools, - -			220	163	134						
Total (including 11 in No. 1.)			716	511	429						

NOTE.—s. f. w. in the table—spring, fall and winter terms.

Here closes the report of the workmen who have been employed in your schools during the past year. But few words of censure will be found, and, from my stand point, I see but little chance for more. Nearly all the teachers I regard *par excellence*, while only a few have in any degree disappointed me. By reference to the table an idea of the work done by each will be conveyed. Allow me to call the attention to just a few items, as follows:

The whole No. of scholars in Town.....	716
“ “ “ attending school.....	511
Average “ “ “.....	429

Of these, the whole number in the Village, attending, is 348, which is of the whole number in Village 70 per cent. In the Rural Districts the whole number attending is 163, which is of the whole number in Rural Districts 74 per cent. Subtract the number of scholars who come from other districts and from other towns, to the High School, and the per cent of the Village will be decreased and the Rural increased.

Aware that there were many children who ought to be in school, I undertook to enforce the Compulsory school law during the spring term. Our Primary schools were very much enlarged, but at the end of the term they went out not to return. The State Law requires but three months attendance during the year. Let the Town provide for this, and let these scholars enjoy, by compulsion, if necessary, the advantages of the excellent schools that are within their reach.

I am aware that the people of Dexter appreciate the advantages of a good education, and are doing much that their sons and daughters go not out from them without it. My purpose has been to keep abreast with the enterprise of the Town, and have done my utmost to make the schools profitable, and to raise the standard as much as possible. To this end:

1. I instituted a special examination for A classes for promotion.

Its advantages have already been seen, and at the close of the spring terms the classes will be found *much* better qualified for promotion.

2. That our teachers might enjoy the advantages of interchange of views, and discuss matters pertaining to government and methods of school work, I instituted a Local Teachers' Institute, embracing Dexter and adjoining towns, to meet once a month. All the teachers are required to be present, and as a rule we have had the hearty co-ordination of our own and several of the teachers of adjoining towns. Though the Institute is yet in its infancy there can be no doubt of its advantages to our teachers.

3. In looking over our school books I found them *very much* worn, and many of them antiquated. Fish Robinson's Arithmetic has been about eight years in the schools, is too complicated for our Common schools and should be displaced. The readers, though excellent, have been in use too long. The Geographies are considered too cumbersome. The Grammars are certainly very much behind the times. The advisability of a displacement of these books for more modern and better ones is unquestionable when we consider that they are very much mutilated, and the expense of exchange, at exchange rates, would not much exceed that of replenishing them.

Hence the work I have done in this department has been done in this direction:

In the High School I have displaced F. Robinson's Arithmetic and adopted Ficklin's.

Displaced Steele's Principles of Natural Philosophy and adopted Avery's.

Displaced Steele's Chemistry and adopted Clarke's.

Displaced Warren's Physical Geography and adopted Monteith's, and added:

Harkness New Latin Reader and Shaw's English Literature.

I consider the books of this school now all first-class, and they are nearly all new. I have furnished several classes

in the different schools with Munroe's New Readers, which are giving general satisfaction.

According to a recent law I was obliged to introduce a new Physiology into all the schools treating especially the effects of Alcoholic stimulants and narcotics upon the system. Smith's was introduced, after long and careful consideration of the matter, and a diligent study of the different text books.

Several facts conspire to convince me that no mistake was made, one of which is, every teacher in Town gives their unqualified approval of the work, and the interest manifest on the part of the scholar, and the results produced are simply astonishing.

I have also furnished two classes of Grammar School with Wells' Grammar, displacing Kerl's.

The amount appropriated last year for school books was \$300. I have expended \$359.48. This will be seen to be but little more than fifty cents per scholar. Any reasonable person can see it is not sufficient. I recommend an increased appropriation.

The amount appropriated last year for our Common Schools was not sufficient to run them the usual length. The Village Schools, except the Grammar, and all the Rural schools, were shortened one week, and even this necessitated an overdraft of \$197.37. But here is needed a word of explanation.

Last year there was reported (see Town Report) a deficiency of \$55.69, when in fact there was an overdraft of \$169.39. This mistake was occasioned by unpaid bills not presented until after Town Meeting.

I was not aware of this deficiency until near the close of my term of office, and while I supposed the debt would be very nearly liquidated there appears to be a large increase which is not the fact.

To provide for this deficiency and to add one week to each of the schools which this year have suffered loss, requires an additional appropriation.

I am satisfied that it is for the advantage of the Town to

increase the length of the school year; that the Village schools should be thirty-six weeks, and the Rural schools thirty weeks. I recommend that this year a sufficient appropriation be made to so increase the Grammar and High Schools, fully persuaded that when the experiment is made there will be an extension ordered all along the line.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

The school buildings in the Rural Districts, generally, are gems. The Town may well be proud of these, but this cannot be said of the Village. Mr. Haines, your agent, has done much by the way of double windows, etc., to make these comfortable, but nothing short of complete renovation, or displacement for new ones can possibly meet the demands of these schools. Let the Town unitedly move in this matter, and the demands will be speedily met.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

For	Common Schools	-	-	-	\$2700 00
"	High Schools	-	-	-	1000 00
"	School Books	-	-	-	500 00

CONCLUSION.

I come to the conclusion of my official duties with many pleasant memories. My work has been somewhat onerous, but the kindness and consideration of teachers, parents and scholars have been both cheering and relieving. I have done the best I could under the circumstances. With many thanks for favors conferred, I retire from the office.

Respectfully,

E. H. BOYNTON,

SUPERVISOR.

ORDINANCES

OF THE TOWN OF DEXTER:

PASSED MARCH 19, 1855.

SECTION I.

Be it ordained by the inhabitants of the Town of Dexter, at their annual town meeting assembled; that the town of Dexter hereby avails itself of, and adopts the provisions of the fourteenth section in Article 1st of an act to provide for the education of youth passed in the year 1850, and as amended and approved March 30, 1853.

SECTION II.

Be it further ordained, that all children between the ages of four and twenty-one years, residing in the town of Dexter, and not attending any school, without any regular and lawful occupation, and growing up in ignorance, shall, unless there be some sufficient reason to the contrary, be required regularly to attend some public or private school, or suitable institution of instruction.

SECTION III.

Be it further ordained, that all children in said town, between said ages, and all persons attending any of the public schools in said town, who shall be habitual truants therefrom, shall be liable to pay a sum not less than one nor more than twenty dollars, upon conviction of either of the offences described in this ordinance.

SECTION IV.

Be it further ordained, that any person belonging to any of the public schools in this town, who shall, without suffic-

ient excuse therefore, be absent from said school six or more times in the course of any one term, shall, for the purposes of this ordinance, be deemed and taken to habitual truant therefrom.

SECTION V.

Be it further ordained, that any persons belonging to any of the public schools in said town, or any child between the ages of four and twenty-one years, being found by either of the persons who shall be chosen by said town under the provisions of the fifteenth section in article first of said act, to make complaints and carry into execution judgments for the violations of this ordinance, during school hours, in or near any street, square, pond, lane, store, shop or any public place of resort or amusement in said town be apprehended and taken by said person apprehending said scholar to such public school in said town as he may deem proper; and shall there be detained as a scholar by the teacher of said school during school hours, and notice of such apprehension and detention shall forthwith be given to the parent, master or guardian of the person or child so taken and detained; every person or child so apprehended, shall for the third offence be liable to pay a sum not less than one nor more than twenty dollars.

SECTION VI.

Be it further ordained, that in place of the penalties and fines aforesaid, the judicial officer or Justice of the Peace who has jurisdiction thereof, may order the offender to be placed, for such period of time as he may judge expedient, in the State Reform School, situated in the town of Cape Elizabeth, Me., which is hereby assigned and provided as the institution of instruction, house of reformation, or suitable situation named in the sixteenth section in article first in the Act aforesaid.

SECTION VII.

Be it further ordained, that the town of Dexter at this annual town meeting shall choose three persons, who alone shall be authorized to make complaints in every case of

the violation of this ordinance, and shall alone have authority to carry into execution the judgment of the Justice or Judicial Officer, and shall execute all duties required by this ordinance.

SECTION VIII.

Be it further ordained, that all penalties and fines for the violation of provisions of this ordinance, shall be recovered by complaints by said three persons named above, before a Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Penobscot.

Provided this ordinance shall not take effect, and be in force until it shall have been approved by the County Commissioners for the County of Penobscot.

March 23d, 1855.

A true copy.

Attest, W. S. CILLEY, Town Clerk.

Approval of County Commissioners.

DEXTER, June 11, 1860.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dexter, held on Monday, the 11th day of June, A. D. 1860, at one o'clock, P.M., pursuant to adjournment, the following business was enacted :

Voted to accept the report of the Committee appointed to present a code of By-laws to prevent fast driving in the village of Dexter; who reported the ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE TO PREVENT FAST DRIVING IN THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER.

Be it ordained by the legal voters of the Town of Dexter, in Town Meeting assembled, as follows :

SECTION I.

That no person shall ride on horse back, or drive a horse or horses attached to a carriage of any description, or cause them to be driven through any street or public way within the distance of one-half mile from the Stone Factory, in the village of Dexter, at speed exceeding six miles per hour.

SECTION II.

That any person who shall be guilty of a violation of this

ordinance, shall forfeit, and pay for each offence, the sum of three dollars, to be recovered on complaint made by any person to any Justice of the Peace, for and within the County of Penobscot.

Adopted.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record.

B. JENKINS, *Town Clerk*

No. 1.

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE REGULATION OF THE DEXTER FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND FOR THE PREVENTION OF FIRES IN DEXTER VILLAGE.

A board of three Fire Wardens shall be chosen annually, of whom, the one first elected shall be styled Chief Engineer of the Dexter Fire Department, and the two others in the order of their election shall be styled 1st and 2d Assistant Engineers, and this board shall annually render to the Town, at its annual town meeting, a report making an exhibit of the amount and condition of material under their control in their department and of services rendered by them and the fire department in extinguishing or preventing fires. In addition to the duties imposed by the Statutes of the State, it shall be the duty of the fire wardens to inspect in each of the months of February and November of each year (and oftener if they deem it necessary) all fires, stoves, pipes and flues in use for the purpose of heating contained in the buildings located in Dexter Village. The inspection of these buildings to be for the purpose of determining if the fire arrangements in the same are in a safe condition and do not endanger the village with destruction by fire.

Said Fire Wardens, when inspecting said property, shall also see how the ashes made in said buildings are kept. If they shall find any fire arrangements which they do not consider in a safe and proper condition, or if they shall find ashes carelessly and negligently left, they shall direct the persons using the faulty stove, pipe or flue, to abstain from the use of the same, or repair and put the same in

safe condition, and they shall order such a disposition of ashes as shall be deemed safe and free from danger. For neglect to obey directions of the Fire Wardens in regard in repairing any dangerous heating arrangements, or for the proper disposition of ashes when such directions are given in writing, the party or parties so neglecting shall be subject to a penalty of five dollars for each offence, as provided by the Statutes of the State.

The Fire Wardens shall also, in the first week of each month, cause to be inspected and tried, the Hydrants located on Main and Grove streets in Dexter, and the Hose belonging thereto, that the same may be kept at all times in a serviceable condition.

The Fire Wardens shall also call meetings of the Engine Companies of this Town as often as twice in each year to be held at the building known as the Engine House, and at such meetings they shall inspect the Engines, Hose and other apparatus belonging to said companies, and see that the same are kept in a serviceable condition. They shall also confer with the Fire Companies and adopt some arrangements that shall ensure prompt and harmonious action in case of fire.

No. II.

Voted to accept and establish the following ordinances:

It shall be the duty of the Engineers of the Fire Department at their regular examinations of stoves, pipes, flues and ashes as provided by ordinance adopted March, 1872, and at such other time as they shall deem necessary, to examine such other matters than those enumerated in the ordinance before mentioned, existing within the limits of their jurisdiction under said ordinance as shall in their judgment peculiarly endanger property within said limits to destruction by fire, by reason of a tendency to cause fire, or to spread fire rapidly, and in every such case that any matter or thing is by them deemed peculiarly dangerous, as likely to cause or to spread fire, they may give written notice to the owner of such matter or thing, to re-

move, repair, or remedy the same in such manner as to secure the public safety in regard thereto within such time, not less than five days, as they shall deem reasonable, and shall state in said notice, and if not so removed, repaired, or remedied within five or more days as fixed in said notice, then the party so neglecting, shall forfeit the sum of one dollar per day as a penalty for every day of such neglect, and it shall be the duty of the Chief Engineer as Fire Warden, to cause action to recover said penalty, to be commenced in behalf of the Town against the party so neglecting.

NO. III.

Voted to amend to read as follows:

It shall be the duty of the Engineers of the Fire Department at their regular examinations of stoves, pipes, flues and ashes as provided by ordinance adopted March, 1872, and at such other times as they shall deem necessary, to examine such other matters than those enumerated in the ordinance before mentioned, existing within the limits of their jurisdiction under said ordinance, as shall in their judgment peculiarly endanger property within said limits to destruction by fire, or to spread fire rapidly, and in every such case that any matter or thing is by them deemed peculiarly dangerous, as likely to cause or to spread fire, they may give written notice to the owner of such matter or thing to remove, repair, or remedy the same in such manner as to secure the public safety in regard thereto within such time, not less than five days, as they shall deem reasonable, and shall state in said notice, and if not so removed, repaired, or remedied within said five or more days as fixed in said notice, then the property so neglecting shall forfeit the sum of five dollars as a penalty for such neglect, and it shall be the duty of the Chief Engineer as Fire Warden to cause action to recover said penalty to be commenced in behalf of the Town against the party so neglecting.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
EIGHTY-THREE.

An ordinance of the Municipal Officers of the Town of
Dexter, regulating the keeping and transportation of
gunpowder and other explosives.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Officers of the Town of
Dexter as follows:

All gunpowder, blasting-powder, dualine, dynamite, and
nitro-glycerine, which may be kept in the Town of Dexter,
or transported from place to place in said town or through
said town, shall be subject to the following regulations:

1. No gunpowder or blasting-powder, exceeding the
quantity of fifty pounds in the aggregate, shall be kept in
any building situated within twenty-five rods of any dwell-
ing house, mill, factory or shop.

2. No gunpowder or blasting-powder, exceeding the
quantity of ten pounds in the aggregate, shall be kept with-
in ten rods of any other place where ten pounds of such
powder is kept.

3. No gunpowder or blasting-powder, exceeding the
quantity of fifty pounds and less than one ton in aggregate,
shall be kept in any one place within sixty rods of any
dwelling-house, mill, factory or shop.

4. No gunpowder or blasting-powder, exceeding the
quantity of fifty pounds, shall be kept within twenty rods
of any other place where fifty pounds or more of powder
is deposited.

5. No gunpowder or blasting-powder, exceeding the
quantity of one ton in the aggregate, shall be kept within
eighty rods of any dwelling-house, mill, factory or shop.

6. No dynamite exceeding the quantity of one pound,
no nitro-glycerine exceeding the quantity of one pound, no
dualine exceeding the quantity of one pound (not made in-
to cartridges), no quantity of cartridge exceeding fifty
pounds into which dualine or dynamite or nitro-glycerine
may enter as an ingredient, no quantity of cartridges called

rend-rock, exceeding fifty pounds, shall be kept within twenty-five rods of any dwelling-house, mill, factory or shop.

7. The transportation of all the aforementioned articles of gunpowder, blasting-powder, dynamite, nitro-glycerine, dualine and cartridges, from place to place in the Town of Dexter, or through the Town, shall be subject to the following regulations, viz :

All gunpowder and blasting-powder, exceeding fifty pounds in the aggregate, all dynamite, nitro-glycerine and dualine, exceeding one pound each, all the aforesaid cartridges, including rend-rock, exceeding one hundred pounds each, shall be taken from the car (if arriving by railroad) or from such other place where they may first stop in town, within twenty-four hours after their arrival, and may be transported, in any usual manner in which other goods are transported, but shall not after said twenty-four hours, be stored in town except in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

Adopted June 18, 1883.

EBEN M. TIBBETTS,
G. E. FARMER,
ALBERT ELLMS,

Selectmen, being the Municipal Officers of the Town of Dexter.

TOWN OF DEXTER, June 18, 1883.

ORDERED, That the foregoing ordinance be published in the EASTERN STATE, a newspaper published in the Town of Dexter, in Penobscot County, three weeks successively.

E. M. TIBBETTS,
G. E. FARMER,
ALBERT ELLMS,

Selectmen, being the Municipal Officers of the Town of Dexter.

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EXPLANATION.

On page 24 the footing to Town Charges should be 2,849 86.
Mistake occurred by not adding in percentage and errors in tax.

In Summary of Expenses support of poor should be one hundred
dollars more than reported—see page 21.

