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TOWN OFFICERS
FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1891-92.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR :

N. F. ROBERTS,
ABNER SHEPHERD,
M. D. RUSSELL.

TOWN CLERK :

LEVI BRIDGHAM.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR :

AMOS A. SPRINGALL.

TOWN AGENT :

SAMUEL ELDRIDGE.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS :

R. W. NUTTER.

SCHOOL AGENT :

EZRA ROBERTS.

BOARD OF HEALTH :

DR. C. M. FOSS,
C. H. HAYDEN,
E. A. RUSS.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES :

S. S. WATSON.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT :

S. M. LEIGHTON, CHIEF;
C. F. WILLEY, 1st Ass'r;
CHAS. E. MORSE, 2d Ass't.

ROAD COMMISSIONER :

N. F. ROBERTS.

AUDITORS :

B. F. ELDRIDGE,
LEVI BRIDGHAM,
W. H. JUDKINS.

Town Warrant.

STATE OF MAINE.

TO L. D. EDGERLY, 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 Town Hall in said town, on Monday, the fourteenth 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 a Trustee of Town Library.
- ART. 14—To choose all other town officers required by law to be chosen at the annual town meeting.
- ART. 15—To see if the town will choose three or more persons to enforce town ordinances.
- ART. 16—To see how much money the town will raise to pay town charges.
- ART. 17—To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the Fire Department.
- ART. 18—To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the poor.
- ART. 19—To see how much money the town will raise for the support of schools and the Free High School.
- ART. 20—To see how much money the town will raise to purchase school books and school material.
- ART. 21—To see if the town will vote to choose a Road Commissioner to take charge of the highways.
- ART. 22—To see how much money the town will raise to make and repair highways, and how it shall be expended.
- ART. 23—To see what method the town will adopt for breaking highways, and how the money for this purpose shall be expended.
- ART. 24—To see how much money the town will raise for lighting the streets with electricity.
- ART. 25—To see if the town will vote to raise fifty dollars to pay expenses of Memorial Day.
- ART. 26—To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of the town library.
- ART. 27—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. 28—To see if the town will elect a board of Fire Constables, whose especial duties shall be to remove and care for personal property in buildings on fire and damaged by fire.
- ART. 29—To see what method the town will adopt for collecting taxes the ensuing year.
- ART. 30—To see if the town will vote that all highway bills shall be brought in on the 20th day of February next.
- ART. 31—To see if the town will vote to raise one hundred dollars to buy wire for building fence on the line of the highways.
- ART. 32—To see how much money the town will raise to pay for the new school building, or take any action thereto.

- ART. 33—To see how much money the town will raise and appropriate to pay the night watchman the ensuing year.
- ART. 34—To see if the town will vote to raise two hundred and fifty dollars to repair the town hall.
- ART. 35—To see how much money the town will raise to make concrete sidewalks and crossings.
- ART. 36—To see if the town will vote to instruct its Supervisor of schools to introduce the study of agriculture in our common schools.
- ART. 37—To see if the town will vote to accept in trust the sum of one hundred dollars from Moses Giles, the interest therefrom to be expended in taking care of his cemetery lot.
- ART. 38—To see if the town will vote to accept in trust the sum of fifty dollars from the heirs of Mrs. Lovina Mitchell, the interest therefrom to be expended in taking care of her lot.
- ART. 39—To see if the town will vote to accept in trust the sum of fifty dollars from the estate of Henry Glass, the interest therefrom to be expended in taking care of his lot.
- ART. 40—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to exchange the hearse now owned by the town for a new one, and raise money for the same, or take any action in relation thereto.
- ART. 41—To see if the town will vote to raise two hundred dollars to fence Elmwood, Mount Pleasant and Storer cemeteries.
- ART. 42—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to put in a fish weir at the railroad bridge in Silver Lake, and raise money for the same.
- ART. 43—To see if the town will vote to repair the engine house, and raise three hundred dollars for that purpose.
- ART. 44—To see if the town will vote to repair the town farm buildings, and raise money for the same.
- ART. 45—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to employ a suitable engineer to make a plan of this village for sewer purposes, and raise money for the same.
- ART. 46—To see if the town will vote to put in a sewer on Maple Street and connect the same with the stream, and raise money for the same.
- ART. 47—To see if the town will vote to extend the Free Street sidewalk to the lot of the new school building, or take any action in relation to the same.
- ART. 48—To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk on Park Street.

- ART. 49—To see if the town will vote to have the town library insured.
- ART. 50—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to put every man under oath before giving in their inventory.
- ART. 51—To see if the town will vote to accept and build the road as laid out by the Selectmen from near E. H. Bickell's house to the Jewett road.
- ART. 52—To see if the town will vote to discontinue the old road from near E. H. Bickell's house to the Jewett road.
- ART. 53—To see if the town will vote to accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen, beginning at land occupied by F. E. Nute to land occupied by L. B. Cousens, and build the same, and raise money to pay the damage.
- ART. 54—To see if the town will vote to pay W. B. Goff for labor done on the town hall in 1877.
- ART. 55—To see if the town will vote to build a school house in No. 11, Flanders' district so called, and raise money for the same.
- ART. 56—To see if the town will vote to build a school house in Union district, so called, and raise money for the same.
- ART. 57—To see if the town will vote to build a school house at Silver's Mills, and raise money for the same.

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

Given under our hands this fifth day of March A. D. 1892.

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| N. F. ROBERTS, | } Selectmen |
| ABNER SHEPHERD, | |
| MANVILLE D. RUSSELL, | |
| | of |
| | Dexter. |

ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT.

AMOUNT OF MONEY APPROPRIATED AT LAST ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH, 1891.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Town charges..... | \$ 1,500 00 |
| Fire Department | 877 50 |
| Support of the Poor | 1 000 00 |
| Town schools | 2,825 00 |
| High School..... | 850 00 |
| School books | 400 00 |
| Highways | 4,000 00 |
| Electric lights..... | 550 00 |
| Memorial service..... | 50 00 |
| Town library..... | 300 00 |
| Prospect Avenue | 100 00 |
| School house note..... | 2,325 00 |
| Engine house bell | 200 00 |
| Drinking fountain and reservoir | 200 00 |
| Repairs on Town Hall | 250 00 |
| Wire for fence | 100 00 |
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| Total | \$15,527 50 |

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| Valuation of resident real estate..... | \$ 713,370 00 |
| “ non-resident real estate..... | 22,994 00 |
| “ personal estate | 373,490 00 |
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| | \$1,109,854 00 |

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| Sum assessed State tax | \$3,187 36 |
| “ County tax | 1,419 76 |
| “ town tax..... | 15,527 50 |
| Overlay..... | 227 51 |
| Supplementary tax | 136 74 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total tax | \$20,498 87 |

Number of polls, 735.
 Number of dogs, 151.
 Percentage of taxation, .0165.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

HIGHWAY EXPENSES FOR 1891.

| To whom paid. | Spring. | Summer. | Winter. | Total. |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Atwater, Chas. N. | \$ 2 09 | | | \$ 2 09 |
| Arno, Wm. | 5 56 | \$ 3 15 | \$ 2 45 | 11 16 |
| Arnold, John B. | 1 65 | | 8 55 | 10 20 |
| Additon, Elmer E. | 1 38 | | | 1 38 |
| Additon, F. O. and son... | 6 61 | | 38 | 6 99 |
| Brawn, B. F. | 1 35 | 6 00 | | 7 35 |
| Bush, Joseph..... | | 24 00 | | 24 00 |
| Bragdon, J. M. | 6 65 | 11 90 | 10 36 | 28 91 |
| Bailey, Charles | 75 | | | 75 |
| Blake, Edwin..... | 3 00 | | | 3 00 |
| Blake, G. D. | 1 45 | | | 1 45 |
| Blake, Alfred..... | 30 | 6 00 | 4 95 | 11 25 |
| Bickell, Edmond | 1 65 | | 1 90 | 3 55 |
| Barton, R. M. | 18 55 | | 1 57 | 20 12 |
| Bryant, W. E. | 3 90 | 1 20 | 9 44 | 14 54 |
| Brown, John..... | 8 60 | 12 10 | 8 70 | 29 40 |
| Burton, G. H. | 2 32 | 4 00 | 67 | 6 99 |
| Bond, Sewell | 6 78 | 1 35 | 5 60 | 13 73 |
| Bridge, Joseph | 3 00 | | 50 | 3 50 |
| Brockway, C. G. | 82 | | | 82 |
| Bridges, O. W. | 5 25 | | 11 65 | 16 90 |
| Burnham, John..... | | 9 00 | | 9 00 |
| Butler, John..... | | 19 80 | | 19 80 |
| Beateau, Anselme..... | | 5 25 | | 5 25 |
| Bement, A. P. | 1 50 | 70 20 | | 71 70 |
| Bean, Chas. F. | | 15 91 | | 15 91 |
| Breed, D. C. | | 3 50 | | 3 50 |
| Brawn, Andrew..... | | 8 00 | 7 82 | 15 82 |
| Bowville, Frank..... | | 3 00 | | 3 00 |
| Brown, Walter..... | | | 1 35 | 1 35 |
| Bement, H. A. | 1 80 | 3 00 | 11 40 | 16 20 |
| Brown, Leonard | | | 2 70 | 2 70 |
| Baker, James..... | | | 5 40 | 5 40 |
| Bolton, Wm. | | | 8 00 | 8 00 |
| Cobb, J. H. | | | 3 00 | 3 00 |
| Clukey, Jules..... | | 3 22 | | 3 22 |
| Clukey, James..... | | 10 88 | | 10 88 |
| Clukey, Charles..... | | 95 41 | | 95 41 |
| Clukey, Joseph..... | | 64 50 | | 64 50 |
| Clukey, Octave..... | | 12 75 | | 12 75 |
| Clukey, Wm. | | 9 00 | | 9 00 |
| Clukey, Peter..... | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Curtis, Melzer L. | 2 25 | 3 90 | 5 78 | 11 93 |

| To whom paid. | Spring. | Summer. | Winter. | Total. |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Curtis, W. H., 2d..... | \$ 9 40 | \$ 60 | \$ 6 75 | \$ 16 75 |
| Crowell, J. C. | 6 10 | | 6 30 | 12 40 |
| Campbell, J. M. | 1 80 | | 75 | 2 55 |
| Crowell, H. B. | 5 56 | | 1 72 | 7 28 |
| Crowell, Geo. G. | 93 | | | 93 |
| Clough, Fred..... | 15 | | 3 30 | 3 45 |
| Carr, G. W. | 5 25 | | 3 82 | 9 07 |
| Curtis, W. H. | 5 80 | 1 27 | 9 87 | 16 94 |
| Chase, A. S. | 7 40 | 2 00 | 2 30 | 11 70 |
| Califf, S. F. | 1 05 | 75 | 60 | 2 40 |
| Cousens, E. L. | 8 25 | 13 45 | 7 75 | 29 45 |
| Cary, Frank G. | 2 80 | | 5 65 | 8 45 |
| Chase, Wm. | 82 | | | 82 |
| Chase, Foss C. | 82 | | | 82 |
| Crockett, John W. | 45 | | | 45 |
| Carr, W. H. | | 17 12 | | 17 12 |
| Crockett, Dana..... | | 164 68 | | 164 68 |
| Carr, Bert..... | | | 4 02 | 4 02 |
| Dole, H. S. | | 45 | | 45 |
| Dyer, Levi..... | | 3 75 | | 3 75 |
| Davis, Chas. L. | | 16 25 | | 16 25 |
| Drew, John..... | 2 93 | | | 2 93 |
| Dunning, W. W. | | 1 50 | | 1 50 |
| Downing, Frank G. | 7 95 | 2 45 | 10 18 | 20 58 |
| Dunham, W. F. | 16 23 | | 29 49 | 45 72 |
| Daggett, Timothy..... | 45 | | | 45 |
| Delano, George..... | 1 50 | | 5 25 | 6 75 |
| Davis, Atwell..... | 1 20 | | 75 | 1 95 |
| Dulack, Joseph..... | | 6 00 | | 6 00 |
| Dexter Woolen Mills..... | | 16 10 | | 16 10 |
| Dinsmore, W. E. | | | 16 00 | 16 00 |
| Dinsmore, C. | | | 1 86 | 1 86 |
| Davis & Bridges..... | | | 7 10 | 7 10 |
| Dearth, Mrs. H. L. | | | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Ellms, Albert..... | 1 58 | | 2 58 | 4 16 |
| Eaton, E. W. | 7 50 | 7 95 | 12 75 | 28 20 |
| Ellms, Charles..... | 6 62 | 6 00 | 8 30 | 20 92 |
| Eastus, John B. | 6 66 | 82 | 93 | 8 41 |
| Eaton, W. O. | 3 75 | | 8 60 | 12 35 |
| Eldridge Bros..... | | 1 50 | | 1 50 |
| Fuller, J. A..... | | 3 75 | 90 | 4 65 |
| Fay & Scott..... | | 5 00 | | 5 00 |
| Fletcher, W..... | | | 4 35 | 4 35 |
| Farrar, J. W..... | 3 50 | | | 3 50 |
| Farrar, A. S..... | 10 65 | | 2 18 | 12 83 |
| Field, Geo. W..... | 3 25 | | 25 | 3 50 |
| Fish, Chas. H..... | 3 00 | | | 3 00 |
| Flynt, Furber..... | 7 00 | 7 00 | | 14 00 |

| To whom paid. | Spring. | Summer. | Winter. | Total. |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Farrar, C. W..... | \$ 5 95 | \$ | \$20 30 | \$26 25 |
| Folsom, Eben C..... | 5 88 | 6 50 | 8 91 | 21 29 |
| French, Alba J..... | 4 75 | | | 4 75 |
| Freeman, P. J..... | 97 | | 3 89 | 4 86 |
| Field, Fred..... | | | 60 | 60 |
| French, E..... | 1 55 | 4 90 | 87 | 7 32 |
| Farrar, John M..... | 9 70 | 11 25 | 9 85 | 30 80 |
| Flanders..... | | 54 13 | | 54 13 |
| Farrar, David H..... | 88 | | 4 79 | 5 67 |
| Fogg, A. B..... | 2 45 | | 1 52 | 3 97 |
| Frost, Thos..... | | | 60 | 60 |
| Fish, Walter..... | | | 1 50 | 1 50 |
| Farrar, T. D..... | | 2 50 | | 2 50 |
| Gould, Robert..... | 15 | | | 15 |
| Gerry, W. C..... | 2 63 | | 4 24 | 6 87 |
| Grant, Samuel..... | 6 05 | 1 20 | 45 | 7 70 |
| Gordon, J. B..... | 7 20 | 3 30 | 10 25 | 20 75 |
| Gordon, Geo. F..... | 5 76 | 10 25 | 2 76 | 18 77 |
| Gee, Frank C..... | 1 65 | 25 | 7 80 | 9 70 |
| Gonneau, Joseph..... | | 20 55 | | 20 55 |
| Grolio, Joseph..... | | 3 00 | | 3 00 |
| Gilbert, Thomas..... | | 3 00 | | 3 00 |
| Gould, G. L..... | | | 2 50 | 2 50 |
| Goodwin, G. W..... | | | 1 20 | 1 20 |
| Haseltine, Joseph M. | | 3 90 | | 3 90 |
| Harris, E. M. | 1 50 | 5 58 | | 7 08 |
| Haines, Luther | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Haines, J. J. | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Haseltine, L. M. | 14 82 | 15 45 | 14 90 | 45 17 |
| Howard, O. O. | 22 | | | 22 |
| Howard, F. M. | 22 | | | 22 |
| Hayden, Wm. M. | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Hatch, Chas. C. | 3 07 | 4 70 | 5 95 | 13 72 |
| Higgins, Thos. | 82 | 30 22 | | 31 04 |
| Hamilton, John | | | 6 50 | 6 50 |
| Hubbard, Freeman | | | 9 45 | 9 45 |
| Hubbard, Edward | | | 2 45 | 2 45 |
| Jose, Horace N. | | | 1 75 | 1 75 |
| Jose, H. H. | 6 05 | | 8 15 | 14 20 |
| Jose, Alonzo | | 8 00 | 1 12 | 9 12 |
| Jose, S. O..... | 5 70 | | | 5 70 |
| Jose, L. W. | 1 70 | | | 1 70 |
| Jordan, J. M. Jr., | 1 75 | | | 1 75 |
| Jewett, Geo. I. | 5 90 | | | 5 90 |
| Jennings, Horace | | | 1 94 | 1 94 |
| Jewett, Oringe | 4 97 | | 2 65 | 7 62 |
| Jaquith, Frank | 1 80 | 3 67 | 2 00 | 7 47 |
| Jones, M. C. | 1 12 | | | 1 12 |

| To whom paid. | Spring. | Summer. | Winter. | Total. |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Jones, Chas. M. | \$10 43 | \$10 35 | \$ 3 98 | \$24 76 |
| Jackson, S. O. | 19 60 | | | 19 60 |
| Johnson, C. F. | | 1 50 | 5 25 | 6 75 |
| Johnson, E. E. | | | 8 00 | 8 00 |
| Jumper, Davis | | | 1 45 | 1 45 |
| Jewett, Norman | | | 1 20 | 1 20 |
| Kittridge, John A. | 6 10 | 4 95 | 4 50 | 15 55 |
| King, Henry | | 10 50 | | 10 50 |
| Keyte, Albert | | 13 08 | | 13 08 |
| Kimball, A. D. | | 9 00 | | 9 00 |
| Kittridge, John | | | 1 20 | 1 20 |
| Kittridge, C. B. | | | 1 35 | 1 35 |
| Knox, Jerre | | | 5 75 | 5 75 |
| Leighton, Wm. A. | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Lane, Wm. N. | 5 40 | 3 60 | 3 60 | 12 60 |
| Lowell, Chas. H. | 2 85 | | | 2 85 |
| Labree, Geo. W. | 4 50 | 1 40 | 2 05 | 7 95 |
| Larrabee, John | 1 40 | 6 14 | 1 70 | 9 24 |
| Littlefield, R. A. | 4 32 | 60 | 3 60 | 8 52 |
| Lander, A. S. | 3 75 | 4 65 | 6 25 | 14 65 |
| Leighton, James | 6 91 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 10 91 |
| Libby, E. F. | 6 80 | 4 50 | 5 00 | 16 30 |
| Libby, A. C. | 2 02 | | | 2 02 |
| Libby, E. G. | 1 42 | 1 50 | | 2 92 |
| Libby, S. H. | 45 | | | 45 |
| Littlefield, Cecil | | | 3 35 | 3 35 |
| Lio, Joseph | 75 | 41 62 | | 42 37 |
| Larcom, Henry | | 11 25 | | 11 25 |
| Loftus, Thomas | | 436 45 | | 436 45 |
| Lapoint, Peter | | 3 00 | | 3 00 |
| Lio, Augustus | | 13 80 | | 13 80 |
| Leonard, David P. | 5 17 | | | 5 17 |
| Larrabee, Chas. | | 3 50 | | 3 50 |
| Leighton, Stephen | | | 1 35 | 1 35 |
| Lancaster, Joseph | | | 1 80 | 1 80 |
| Morton, E. | 3 21 | | 4 16 | 7 37 |
| Meador, Stephen D. | 7 02 | 8 72 | 4 44 | 20 18 |
| Mower, Elias A. | 1 00 | 3 75 | | 4 75 |
| Moore, F. E. | 5 50 | 3 75 | 4 00 | 13 25 |
| Mower, Henry | 9 78 | 10 25 | 9 15 | 29 18 |
| Macomber, A. F. | 6 37 | 3 80 | 13 57 | 23 74 |
| Martin, John | 6 78 | 1 05 | | 7 83 |
| Merriman, David | | 2 25 | | 2 25 |
| Morgan, Chas. P. | 83 | | | 83 |
| Mower, W. C. | 2 05 | | 9 30 | 11 35 |
| Mower, P. S. | 1 90 | | 8 99 | 10 89 |
| Murphy, Geo. | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Morrill, Samuel | | 12 37 | | 12 37 |

| To whom paid. | Spring. | Summer. | Winter. | Total. |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Mason, James | \$ | \$ | \$ 2 55 | \$ 2 55 |
| Marshall, Chas. | | | 5 52 | 5 52 |
| Nute, F. E. | 4 65 | | 4 25 | 8 90 |
| Nutter, J. R. | 2 07 | | | 2 07 |
| Nutter, Mrs. R. W. | 3 00 | | | 3 00 |
| Oliver, Wm. | 2 40 | 2 77 | | 5 17 |
| Oliver, C. W. | | | 12 10 | 12 10 |
| Phelps, Eben. | | 3 40 | 3 37 | 6 77 |
| Pullen, Henry J. | 5 37 | 9 90 | 5 13 | 20 40 |
| Prescott, David. | | 4 50 | | 4 50 |
| Page, Fred J. | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Page, Snow B. | | 50 | | 50 |
| Patterson, E. R. | | 1 10 | | 1 10 |
| Phinney, A. C. | 3 25 | 2 40 | 8 34 | 13 99 |
| Pullen, Chas. M. | 6 50 | 15 65 | 7 70 | 29 85 |
| Pomeroy, Joseph | | 2 22 | | 2 22 |
| Puffer, Daniel | | | 4 29 | 4 29 |
| Puffer, Jacob. | 6 82 | | 6 75 | 13 57 |
| Parkman, Clarence. | 1 87 | | | 1 87 |
| Patten, Charles | | 3 40 | | 3 40 |
| Pooler, Wm. | | 13 52 | | 13 52 |
| Packard, L. D. | | 2 25 | | 2 25 |
| Page, Hiram W. | | | 2 63 | 2 63 |
| Perry, Augustus. | | 18 00 | | 18 00 |
| Priest, A. M. | 52 | | 4 50 | 5 02 |
| Patten, Daniel. | | 7 00 | | 7 00 |
| Page, Chas. M. | | 560 75 | | 560 75 |
| Pooler, Thos. | | 1 50 | | 1 50 |
| Priest, Eugene | | | 1 35 | 1 35 |
| Patten, Thos. | 5 15 | | | 5 15 |
| Russell, M. D. | 8 72 | 2 30 | 8 12 | 19 14 |
| Russell, David | 4 52 | | | 4 52 |
| Ricker, E. | 5 10 | 5 40 | 9 75 | 20 25 |
| Rollins, A. H. | 2 63 | | 2 43 | 5 06 |
| Rollins, O. W. | 1 88 | | 50 | 2 38 |
| Roberts, N. F. | | 23 33 | | 23 33 |
| Russell, David 2d, | | 10 02 | 1 50 | 11 52 |
| Robinson, R. W. | | 1 50 | | 1 50 |
| Russell, Roscoe | | | 2 40 | 2 40 |
| Roberts, A. J. | | | 15 | 15 |
| Shepley, L. ring | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Silver, Chas. B. | 7 89 | 13 00 | | 20 89 |
| Sampson, Walter | 1 01 | | 3 90 | 4 91 |
| Swanton, Felix | | 22 00 | | 22 00 |
| Spooner, Chas. E. | 3 60 | 4 30 | 6 40 | 14 30 |
| Small, Lyman | 75 | 1 50 | | 2 25 |
| Stewart, G. L. | 1 57 | | 1 05 | 2 62 |
| Spooner, John. | 3 52 | | | 3 52 |

| To whom paid. | Spring. | Summer. | Winter. | Total. |
|--------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Spooner, Geo. | \$ | \$ | \$ 1 50 | \$ 1 50 |
| Spooner, David | 2 17 | 3 00 | 2 25 | 7 42 |
| Swanton, Seth J. | 2 50 | 1 50 | 14 17 | 18 17 |
| Staples, Warren | 5 60 | | | 5 60 |
| Sawtelle, Geo. | 1 85 | 1 50 | 70 | 4 05 |
| Swanton, F. H. | 1 72 | | 90 | 2 62 |
| Shepherd, Abner | 5 25 | 63 87 | 15 75 | 84 87 |
| Shepley, Chas. N. | 1 80 | 75 | | 2 55 |
| Smith, Wilmot | 1 50 | | | 1 50 |
| Shaw, Chas. | | 47 00 | | 47 00 |
| Seaver, A. | | | 4 10 | 4 10 |
| Smart, A. K. P. | | 1 75 | | 1 75 |
| Spooner Bros. | | 46 41 | | 46 41 |
| Shaw, A. G. | | 7 50 | | 7 50 |
| Safford, H. I. | | | 4 65 | 4 65 |
| Safford, Geo. | | | 1 92 | 1 92 |
| Sprague, V. A. | | | 5 98 | 5 98 |
| Tewksbury, E. D. | 1 80 | | | 1 80 |
| Tewksbury, W. S. | 5 10 | 4 50 | 9 15 | 18 75 |
| Towle, John R. | 9 00 | | 11 35 | 20 35 |
| Towle, S. M. | 2 55 | 3 60 | 1 20 | 7 35 |
| Taylor, Reuben | 2 85 | 2 32 | 1 05 | 6 22 |
| Thompson, L. M. | 38 | | | 38 |
| Tyler, Geo. & Co. | | 32 00 | | 32 00 |
| Thompson, Benj. | | 2 50 | | 2 50 |
| Whittemore, Lewis E. ... | 6 58 | 10 25 | 3 95 | 20 75 |
| Whitney, E. L. | 2 39 | | 6 60 | 8 99 |
| White, Isaac G. | 6 99 | 5 40 | 3 60 | 15 99 |
| Wheeler, S. F. | 3 00 | 1 50 | 2 17 | 6 67 |
| Wheeler, Frank. | 1 70 | 6 30 | 5 25 | 13 25 |
| Weymouth, P. S. | 2 10 | | 5 32 | 7 42 |
| Watson, Geo. E. | 1 05 | | 1 31 | 2 36 |
| Willett, Andrew | | 14 37 | | 14 37 |
| Whitcomb, Augustus. | | 4 00 | 75 | 4 75 |
| Webber, S. L. | | | 8 82 | 8 82 |
| York, A. W. | 5 60 | 5 00 | 1 70 | 12 30 |
| Young, Chas. S. | 10 31 | 15 60 | 8 78 | 34 69 |
| York, H. O. | 1 37 | | | 1 37 |
| Young, Frank | 1 05 | | | 1 05 |
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| | \$679 39 | 2509 87 | 721 48 | 3921 99 |

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| Appropriation for highways..... | \$4000 00 |
| “ “ Prospect Avenue..... | 100 00 |
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| | \$4100 00 |
| Amount expended on highways, Prospect Avenue concrete sidewalks, crossings and sewers,... | \$3921 99 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$178 01 |
| Add amount received for right to enter sewer.... | 50 00 |
| “ “ “ from C. Foss for concrete.. | 10 00 |
| Balance unexpended..... | 238 01 |
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| Amount expended on Prospect Avenue \$ | 130 00 |
| “ “ “ sewers..... | 250 00 |
| “ “ “ concrete sidewalks and crossings..... | 602 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 982 00 |
| Amount expended spring work..... | 679 39 |
| “ “ winter “ | 721 48 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1400 87 |
| Amount expended in summer..... | 2509 87 |
| “ “ for Forest Avenue, concrete sidewalks and crossings..... | 982 00 |
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| Expended on roads in summer..... | \$1527 87 |
| N. F. ROBERTS, Road Commissioner. | |

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TOWN FARM REPORT.

DR.

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| To paid B. G. Church and wife to March 1, 1892.. | \$ 200 00 |
| “ for stock and supplies..... | \$1114 22 |
| To decrease in produce..... | 264 74 |
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| | 1378 96 |
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| | \$1578 96 |

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| By stock and produce sold..... | \$1241 79 |
| By increase in stock on hand | 106 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1347 79 |
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| | \$ 231 17 |

STOCK ON HAND.

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| One horse..... | \$ 85 00 |
| One pair six-year-old oxen..... | 130 00 |
| One pair three-year-old steers | 90 00 |
| One pair two-year-old steers..... | 65 00 |
| Five cows..... | 150 00 |
| Thirty-four sheep..... | 187 00 |
| Three swine..... | 30 00 |
| Thirty hens | 15 00 |
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| | \$ 752 00 |

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PRODUCE ON HAND.

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| 30 tons of hay @ \$10.00..... | \$300 00 |
| 1½ tons of straw | 8 00 |
| Fine feed | 5 28 |
| 7 bushels beans..... | 10 50 |
| 1 " peas..... | 1 25 |
| 4 " buck wheat | 3 00 |
| 113 " mixed grain | 79 10 |
| 200 " potatoes | 60 00 |
| 15 " apples..... | 3 75 |
| 5 " carrots | 2 00 |
| 2 " beets | 80 |
| 10 " turnips | 4 00 |
| 60 gallons vinegar..... | 12 00 |
| 300 pounds salt pork | 30 00 |
| 1½ barrels pickles, salted | 6 00 |
| 125 pounds ham and shoulders..... | 15 00 |
| 3½ bushels parsnips | 1 40 |
| ¾ barrel soft soap | 2 00 |
| 2 barrels flour | 12 00 |
| 35 pounds lard..... | 4 20 |
| 20 " sugar | 1 00 |
| 3 " coffee | 84 |
| 30 " butter..... | 6 00 |
| 4 dozen eggs | 72 |
| 2 pounds soda..... | 14 |
| 4 bars soap..... | 28 |
| 40 pounds dried apple..... | 2 00 |
| 9 gallons prepared pickles..... | 2 25 |
| 2 pounds rolls | 1 00 |
| 1 box fine salt | 20 |
| Spices | 50 |
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| | \$575 21 |

PRODUCTS OF FARM.

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 50 tons hay. | 4 bushels parsnips. |
| 5 tons straw. | 5 " beans. |
| 62 bushels buck wheat. | 1 " peas. |
| 140 " mixed grain. | 25 heads cabbage. |
| 1½ acres sweet corn fodder. | 63 bushels cider apples. |
| 230 bushels potatoes. | 24 barrels No. 1 apples. |
| 30 " turnips. | 10 " No. 2 " |
| 20 " carrots. | Sweet corn. |
| 5 " beets. | 700 pounds pork. |

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STOCK AND PRODUCE SOLD.

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| 2 pair oxen | \$ 235 00 |
| 1 pair oxen | 120 00 |
| 2 cows | 55 00 |
| 1 horse | 75 00 |
| 8 veal calves | 53 79 |
| 19 sheep | 57 00 |
| 12 lambs | 48 00 |
| Potatoes | 60 31 |
| Hay | 367 82 |
| Apples | 38 43 |
| Mixed grain | 32 05 |
| Wool | 26 87 |
| Sweet corn | 19 80 |
| Poultry | 6 25 |
| Straw | 3 23 |
| Eggs | 17 97 |
| 1 pelt | 60 |
| Butter | 9 85 |
| Pickles | 1 25 |
| Received for keeping calf | 6 50 |
| " labor | 1 00 |
| " labor and board | 6 07 |
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| | \$1241 79 |

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| Paid for stock for farm | \$ 562 00 |
| " supplies for farm | 483 82 |
| " repairs on buildings and tools | 34 90 |
| " new farming tools | 33 50 |
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| | \$1114 22 |

NAMES AND AGES OF PERSONS SUPPORTED ON THE FARM.

William Sturtevant, age 71 years.
 Lucien Jose, age 54 years.
 Mrs. Caroline Safford, age 66 years.
 Charles Weymouth, age 27 years.
 Bennie Holt.
 Charles Weymouth received May 5, 1891.
 Bennie Holt received Jan. 29, 1892.

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DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

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PAID FOR THE SUPPORT OF POOR OFF FARM.

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| Augustus Ronco, support Mrs Chas. Ronco | \$ 82 00 | |
| (Thirty dollars over from last year). | | |
| Town of Foxcroft, support of Otis Butler | 52 00 | |
| M. B. Blake, medical attendance on Mrs. Eliza Hollowell..... | 50 00 | |
| Mrs. Rose Weymouth, support Charles Weymouth..... | \$ 8 56 | |
| H. G. Parsbley, team to town farm for Charles Weymouth..... | 1 50 | 10 06 |
| John Shaw, support of strangers..... | | 2 25 |
| H. K. Thatcher, medical attendance on strangers by order of W. C. Elder... | | 1 00 |
| H. G. Parsbley, team to town farm order of W. C. Elder..... | | 1 50 |
| W. E. Brewster, support Lewis Green and family..... | 46 14 | |
| C. H. Wyman, casket, Mr. Greene..... | 18 00 | |
| N. F. Roberts, support Lewis Greene, wood and boots and shoes..... | 7 90 | |
| Bridgham & Son, support Lewis Greene | 2 60 | |
| Meigs & Co., " " | | |
| clothing..... | 5 40 | |
| E. M. Tibbetts, hearse, Lewis Greene.... | 1 50 | 81 54 |
| Macomber Bros., support C. D. Bodge and family..... | 33 21 | |
| P. L. Lowell, support C. D. Bodge and family, clothing..... | 9 60 | |
| F. D. Meigs, support C. D. Bodge and family, clothing..... | 1 50 | |

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| C. H. Wyman, casket, Mrs. C. D. Bodge | 20 | 00 | |
| N. F. Roberts, support C. D. Bodge, boots and rubbers..... | 8 | 35 | |
| E. A. Ayer & Co., support C. D. Bodge.. | 1 | 73 | |
| John R. Towle, | 7 | 50 | 81 89 |
| P. L. Lowell, support Bennie Holt, clothing..... | 7 | 75 | |
| N. F. Roberts, support Bennie Holt, boots and leggings..... | 3 | 75 | 11 50 |
| Springall & Co., support of Mrs. Gray 1890 | 85 | | |
| Springall & Co., support of strangers order of W. C. Elder 1890..... | 65 | | |
| S. S. Watson, burial of Fannie Wing and Miss Brooks..... | 6 | 00 | |
| 1891. | | | |
| April 4, Paid L. A. Cook, medical atten- dance on Bert F. Wing | 34 | 75 | |
| May 4, L. A. Cook, medical atten- dance on Bert F. Wing | 30 | 75 | |
| May 7, C. W. Hussey, town agent of Albion, support Bert F. Wing..... | 78 | 56 | |
| June 8, L. A. Cook, medical atten- dance on Bert F. Wing | 33 | 25 | |
| July 21, L. A. Cook, medical atten- dance on Bert F. Wing | 48 | 00 | |
| Sept. 2, Waterville City Hospital support Bert F. Wing.. | 63 | 00 | |
| Oct. 3, Town of Albion support B. F. Wing, balance due.. | 140 | 49 | |
| 3, Waterville City Hospital support Bert F. Wing.. | 38 | 55 | |
| Nov. 4, Waterville City Hospital support Bert F. Wing.. | 39 | 87 | |
| Dec. 2, Waterville City Hospital support Bert F. Wing.. | 38 | 57 | |
| 24, Dr. Goodrich, examination of Bert F. Wing..... | 10 | 00 | |
| 24, Dr. V. M. Burdick, expenses to Waterville..... | 15 | 00 | |
| 30, Abner Shepherd, bills paid out as per bill..... | 116 | 20 | |
| 1892. | | | |
| Jan. 5, Waterville City Hospital support of Bert F. Wing | 36 | 02 | |
| 4, Dr. Hill, examination of Wing, \$5.00; Sheriff Hill's bill, \$5.00,..... | 10 | 00 | |

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| Feb. 2, | C. H. Wyman, cot bed.... | 3 50 |
| 2, | John R. Grant, support of Bert F. Wing 8 weeks.. | 40 00 |
| 23, | E. A. Ayer & Co., support of Bert F. Wing..... | 79 |
| 25, | W. S. Twombly, support of Bert Wing..... | 75 |
| 26, | Bridgham & Son, support of Bert F. Wing, medi- cine..... | 5 00 |
| 26, | V. M. Burdick, support Bert Wing, paid operating cushion | 5 50 |
| | Total support Bert F. Wing..... | \$ 788 55 |
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| | | \$1169 79 |
| | Balance against the farm..... | 231 17 |
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| | Total..... | \$1400 96 |
| | Appropriation | \$1000 00 |
| | Paid bills of 1890..... | 34 00 |
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| | | \$1034 00 |
| | Overdrawn | \$366 96 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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| Paid W. A. Leighton, shoveling out reservoirs 1890-91 | \$ 2 00 |
| S. M. Leighton, repairs on reservoir..... | 78 71 |
| D. H. Bennett, " " | 3 60 |
| Fay & Scott, " " | 43 60 |
| W. A. Leighton, watching Engine House July 4th..... | 1 50 |
| H. F. Spooner Bros., repairs on reservoir... | 12 39 |
| J. M. Hill, oil..... | 15 |
| M. J. Weymouth, repairs on reservoir..... | 7 08 |
| W. A. Leighton, care of Engine No. 1..... | 15 00 |
| Levi Bridgham, supplies for Fire Dept. | 6 25 |
| S. M. Leighton for Firemen..... | 577 50 |
| J. Willis Haines, care Eureka Hose..... | 3 00 |
| Chas. F. Willey, care Engine No. 2..... | 15 00 |
| John B. Winslow, care Hook and Ladder Truck | 10 00 |
| Fay & Scott, supplies for Fire Dept. | 6 28 |
| F. J. Fogg, " " " 1890... | 1 29 |
| Eldridge Bros., " " " | 2 11 |
| W. H. Carr, " " " | 4 53 |
| Electric Light & Power Co., for lighting the hall 1890-91 | 1 47 |
| Electric Light & Power Co., for lighting the hall..... | 8 30 |
| S. L. Small, care of force pump..... | 10 00 |
| S. L. Small, rent for Hose Carriage..... | 5 00 |
| S. M. Leighton, services as Chief Engineer.. | 10 00 |
| S. M. Leighton, Fire Warden, \$2.50; Truck- ing, .75..... | 3 25 |
| C. F. Willey, services as 1st Ass't Engineer.. | 10 00 |
| C. F. Willey, labor on reservoir, .85; oil, .15; Fire Warden, \$10.00..... | 11 00 |
| Chas. E. Morse, services as 2d Ass't Engineer | 10 80 |
| " " " " Fire Warden.. | 1 00 |
| F. H. Hayes, supplies..... | 7 99 |
| S. A. Winslow, painting sign, \$3.75; setting glass, .25..... | 4 00 |
| Leighton & Haines, lamp chimneys..... | 46 |
| Dana Crockett..... | 2 48 |
| Jonathan Thompson, shoveling snow..... | 1 25 |

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| Appropriation | \$877 50 |
| Amount Expended..... | \$876 16 |

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TOWN CHARGES.

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| Paid J. W. Leighton care Geo. Hamilton lot 1890. | \$ 1 25 |
| " S. S. Watson " " " 1890. | 4 00 |
| " Eastern State Publishing Co., printing reports | 49 50 |
| " Day, Bunker & Lane, for bill-heads | 9 00 |
| " W. H. Judkins, services auditor of accounts. | 8 00 |
| " Levi Bridgham, " " " " | 8 00 |
| " N. F. Roberts, " " " " | 4 00 |
| " C. H. Wyman, painting water bbls. | 1 00 |
| " Eastern State Publishing Co., printing notices | 2 25 |
| " Lucien French, surveying | 1 50 |
| " W. P. Oakes, " | 10 50 |
| " Levi Bridgham, books and stationery | 25 10 |
| " S. S. Watson care Hamilton lot 1891 | 3 00 |
| " E. Roberts, watching school house 3d July. | 1 00 |
| " C. F. Willey, night watch | 52 00 |
| " C. P. McCrillis for two water bbls. | 1 80 |
| " N. F. Roberts, paid small bills | 16 47 |
| " Geo. A. Smart, care meeting house July 3d. | 1 00 |
| " S. S. Watson, work, etc., in cemeteries | 23 47 |
| " Bridgham & Son, books and stationery | 11 80 |
| " Abner Shepherd, small bills | 13 00 |
| " L. B. Waldron, making contracts | 3 00 |
| " L. B. Waldron, expenses in Davenport suit. | 9 54 |
| " " " " " " Geo. Wing " " | 72 57 |
| " " " " legal services in " " " " | 21 08 |
| " Abner Shepherd, expenses " " " " | 11 50 |
| " Eben Phelps, damage to horse, 1887 | 15 00 |
| " Timothy Daggett, error in valuation of real estate 1890-91 | 7 08 |
| " Robert Gould, hauling lumber for hall, 1887. | 5 00 |
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| | \$392 41 |

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TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

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| R. W. Nutter, Supervisor of Schools | \$ 150 00 |
| C. F. Willey, constable service | 3 00 |
| L. D. Edgerly " " | 10 00 |
| " " " " for Board of Health | 3 00 |
| E. A. Brewster " " | 1 50 |
| Thos. Clukey " " in 1889 | 9 00 |
| Levi Bridgham, services Town Clerk | 15 00 |
| E. A. Russ, Board of Health | 12 00 |
| C. H. Hayden " " " " | 10 00 |

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| Dr. C. M. Foss " " " | 10 00 |
| D. C. Breed, constable service 1890..... | 3 00 |
| S. S. Watson, services Superintendent of Ceme- teries | 25 00 |
| O. Parcher, services Truant Officer..... | 4 00 |
| E. Roberts " " " | 11 90 |
| E. Roberts " School Agent..... | 25 00 |
| Samuel Eldridge, Town Agent..... | 5 00 |
| M. D. Russell, services Selectman..... | 75 00 |
| Abner Shepherd " " | 100 00 |
| N. F. Roberts " " | 150 00 |
| Geo. Brawn, constable service..... | 5 00 |
| Amos A. Springall, Collector and Treasurer.... | 300 00 |
| N. F. Roberts, Road Commissioner..... | 150 00 |
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| | \$1469 81 |
| Appropriation | 1500 00 |
| Unexpended..... | 30 19 |

ERRORS AND ABATEMENTS.

1888.

Charles Warner, real estate error.....\$ 1 80

1889.

Hersey, Elmer, poor..... 3 82
Hutchinson, Joseph, poor..... 3 00
Sprague, A. J., error..... 3 00
Stearns, John F., not here..... 3 00

1890.

Brown, Delmont, poor..... 3 26
Browderwick, Richard, not to be found..... 3 00
Hersey, Elmer, poor..... 3 00
Hayes, Wm. C., not found..... 3 00
Patric, John, not found..... 3 00
Richards, Chas. H., poor..... 3 00
Ronco, Wm., error..... 3 00

1891.

Abbott, C. B., error..... 1 00
Bisbee, Addie, error..... 8 25
Bodge, C. D., sickness..... 3 08
Buteau, Anselme, poor..... 3 00
Berry, Isaac, poor..... 3 00
Blair, Lewis, poor..... 3 00
Buljeck, John, not 21..... 3 00
Clukey, Chas., 2d, error..... 6 68
Carter, E. A., error..... 3 00
Davis, Daniel, error..... 3 00
Gleason, E. H., dead..... 3 00
Harding, Frank, error..... 1 24
Jose, Horace B., poor..... 3 00
Jumper, Lucy, sickness..... 9 90
Jewell, David, poor..... 3 00
Lawless, Joseph, error..... 3 00
Lawrence, Amos, poor..... 4 00
Morrison, John, poor..... 3 00
McDonald, Walter, poor..... 3 00
McGrath, Wm., gone to Ireland..... 3 00
Montgomery, Chas., not to be found..... 3 00
McHenry, W. G., not to be found..... 3 00
Parkman, Charles, sick..... 12 14
Pooler, John 2d, not here..... 3 00
Patten, Thos., dead..... 3 00
Richards, Chas. H., not here..... 3 00
Smith, Wilmont, poor..... 3 00
Spooner, John, dead..... 99
Varney, George, not here..... 3 00

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| Mrs. Mary Dyer, real estate error..... | 2 07 |
| A. J. Cobb, real estate error..... | 16 50 |
| Geo. W. Carr, personal error..... | 8 25 |
| Mrs. L. D. Hayes, error in giving in her inventory | 8 25 |
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| | \$178 23 |

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PAID FOR FOUNTAIN AND RESERVOIR.

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| Paid G. W. Goodwin for 48 days work, \$1 50.... | \$ 72 00 |
| " Dana Crockett " drinking fountain..... | 68 00 |
| " W. S. Twombly, pipe and labor..... | 65 55 |
| " Abner Shepherd, labor, material, etc..... | 49 08 |
| " Andrew Willet, for labor..... | 50 |
| " Chas. Ayer " " | 1 05 |
| " Joseph Clukey " " | 75 |
| " Victor Clukey " " | 75 |
| " Eldridge Bros., " " and material..... | 1 25 |
| " W. H. Carr, " " | 3 40 |
| " Dana Crockett, " " | 7 05 |
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| | \$269 38 |
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
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| Overdrawn | \$ 69 38 |

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REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL.

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| E. A. Ayer & Co., curtain for stage..... | \$48 34 |
| John Parkman, labor..... | 5 62 |
| E. E. Hale, " | 23 75 |
| D. W. McCrillis, " | 10 00 |
| G. P. Thompson, " | 10 00 |
| Geo. E. Farmer, labor and slate..... | 20 16 |
| Dole & Fogg for gutters..... | 50 00 |
| Abner Shepherd, lumber, labor, etc.,..... | 28 65 |
| Eldridge Bros., lumber, etc.,..... | 9 33 |
| A. J. Cobb, labor, putting in window, etc.,..... | 7 50 |
| W. J. Haseltine, putting up curtains, Town Hall.. | 3 50 |
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| | \$216 85 |
| Appropriation | \$250 00 |
| Unexpended | \$ 43 15 |

EXTRA APPROPRIATIONS.

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|--------------------------------------|----------|
| FOR MEMORIAL SERVICE: | \$ 50 00 |
| Paid John Russel..... | 50 00 |
| FOR TOWN LIBRARY, | 300 00 |
| Paid A. F. Bradbury..... | 300 00 |
| FOR LIGHTING STREETS, | 550 00 |
| Paid Electric Light Co.,..... | 555 20 |
| Overdrawn..... | 5 20 |
| FOR RESERVOIR AND FOUNTAIN, | 200 00 |
| Paid for reservoir and fountain..... | 269 88 |
| Overdrawn..... | 69 88 |
| FOR TOWN HALL REPAIRS, | 250 00 |
| Paid for Town Hall repairs..... | 216 85 |
| Unexpended..... | 33 15 |
| FOR ENGINE HOUSE BELL, | 200 00 |
| Paid S. M. Leighton..... | 101 43 |
| Unexpended..... | 98 57 |
| FOR PROSPECT AVENUE, | 100 00 |
| Expended by Road Commissioner..... | 130 00 |
| Overdrawn..... | 30 00 |
| FOR WIRE FOR FENCE, | 100 00 |
| Paid Tyler & Conant..... | 93 07 |
| Unexpended..... | 6 93 |
| NOTE AND INTEREST, SCHOOL HOUSE, | 2325 00 |
| Paid W. H. Carr..... | 2300 83 |
| Unexpended..... | 24 17 |

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SUMMARY OF EXPENSES.

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| Highways..... | \$3921 99 |
| Fire Department..... | 876 16 |
| Town Library..... | 300 00 |
| Memorial Service..... | 50 00 |
| Support of Poor..... | 1400 96 |
| High School..... | 1238 87 |
| Town Schools..... | 5850 59 |
| School books..... | 412 18 |
| Town charges..... | 1469 81 |
| Street Lights..... | 555 20 |
| Note and interest, new school building..... | 2325 00 |

STANDING OF THE TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| Due Public Schools..... | \$ 188 43 |
| Outstanding orders | 246 19 |
| Amount held in trust..... | 300 00 |
| Due on county tax | 709 88 |
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| | \$1444 50 |

RESOURCES.

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|------------------------------------|-----------|
| In hands of Collector of 1888..... | 4 57 |
| “ “ “ 1889..... | 42 56 |
| “ “ “ 1890..... | 112 21 |
| “ “ “ 1892..... | 1105 24 |
| Due from W. B. Goff..... | 20 00 |
| “ A. G. Shaw..... | 10 00 |
| In hands of Treasurer..... | 554 62 |
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| | \$1849 21 |
| Net resources..... | \$404 71 |

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APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

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| Town charges | \$1500 00 |
| Support of poor | 1500 00 |
| Town schools..... | 2725 00 |
| Free High School | 850 00 |
| School books | 300 00 |
| Highways | 4000 00 |

Respectfully submitted as the financial standing of the town, March 1, 1892.

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| N. F. ROBERTS, | } Selectmen of Dexter. |
| ABNER SHEPHERD, | |
| M. D. RUSSELL, | |

DEXTER TOWN LIBRARY.

The Trustees of the Dexter Town Library submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1892:

The whole number of books in the library is 3306, classified as follows:

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| Agricultural and Horticultural | 46 |
| Biographical | 200 |
| Fiction..... | 1355 |
| Historical | 297 |
| Juvenile..... | 224 |
| Poems and Essays | 65 |
| Theological | 98 |
| Travel and Adventures | 249 |
| Miscellaneous | 580 |
| Temperance | 13 |
| Public Documents | 179 |

Present number of patrons, 575.

Number of books taken during the year, 10,938.

Largest number by any one person, 79.

There have been added to the library 172 volumes by purchase and 27 by gift; also, 14 have been purchased as duplicates to take the place of others worn out. There have been 50 books rebound since our last report.

The interest in the library has been well kept up and the books have been well cared for during the year.

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| H. S. DOLE, EZRA ROBERTS, A. F. BRADBURY, C. W. CURTIS, C. M. SAWYER, | } | Trustees. |
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer of the Dexter Town Library submits the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1892:

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance from last year | \$ 11 98 |
| Received from the town of Dexter..... | 300 00 |
| for fines | 12 68 |
| for catalogues sold..... | 3 20 |

\$327 86

EXPENDITURES.

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|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid for books..... | \$173 74 | |
| re-binding books..... | 12 85 | |
| printing catalogues and cards..... | 6 50 | |
| cleaning rooms | 1 00 | |
| fuel..... | 7 30 | |
| lighting | 9 41 | |
| express | 35 | |
| writing paper..... | 15 | |
| Paid Librarian's salary..... | 75 00 | |
| | | \$286 30 |
| Balance on hand..... | | \$ 41 56 |

A. F. BRADBURY, Treasurer.

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DEXTER SCHOOL FUND.

The Treasurer of the Dexter School Fund submits the following report for the year ending February 29, 1892.
 Whole amount of school fund.....\$2689 47

Invested as follows:

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| Town of Dexter bonds | \$1900 00 | |
| Town of Corinna bonds | 600 00 | |
| Deposited in Dexter Savings Bank..... | 189 47 | 2689 47 |
| Received interest on town bonds..... | 150 00 | |
| " from Dexter Savings bank.... | 10 82 | 160 82 |
| Amount paid into town treasury..... | | 160 82 |

A. F. BRADBURY, Treasurer.

Dexter, March 1, 1892.

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SCHOOL AGENT'S REPORT.

The rooms at the Brown House, Primary No. 2, have been thoroughly renovated, supplied with modern desks, papered, painted and new floors laid, and is now as pleasant a room as any in town. These repairs, together with the other necessary outlays, have made the expenditures somewhat larger than last year. It will be necessary the coming year to shingle the house in No. 3. No. 5 should be sheathed overhead, walls papered and painted. No. 7, papered and painted. No. 8 should be thoroughly repaired and more land purchased so that the out buildings can be placed at a proper distance from the school buildings. It is not suitable for school purposes at any time of year, in its present condition. No. 9 should be papered. No. 11

should be replaced with a new building. The wood for the schools throughout the town is nearly all supplied.

EXPENDITURES.

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| Repairs on Brown House..... | \$ 225 00 |
| Paid for wood and fitting the same..... | 314 12 |
| “ “ care, cleaning, banking and all other repairs | 534 39 |
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| | \$1073 51 |

Rec'd and paid into the treasury for ashes, coal, desks, etc..... 28 33

E. ROBERTS, School Agent.

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TOWN HALL REPORT.

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| Cash received for use of hall..... | \$217 50 |
| Wood on hand March 1, 1892..... | 21 37 |
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| | \$238 87 |

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| Paid for care of hall..... | \$ 36 50 |
| sawing wood | 3 75 |
| repairs and supplies | 28 53 |
| electric lights..... | 38 00 |
| Value of wood March, 1891..... | 23 90 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$130 68 |

Balance in favor of hall..... \$108 19
 The hall was opened 43 times.
 “ “ 11 times free.
 “ “ 32 times for pay.

G. M. STURTEVANT, Janitor.

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

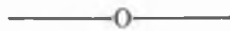
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| Paid S. S. Watson, labor in Elmwood cemetery | \$12 20 |
| “ “ “ Mt. Pleasant cemetery, | 2 10 |
| “ “ “ Storer cemetery | 3 00 |
| “ “ “ Greene cemetery | 70 |
| for six perpetual care signs..... | 1 50 |
| for freight on signs | 37 |

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| for making deeds | 3 60 |
| for services as superintendent of cemeteries... | 25 00 |
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| | \$48 47 |

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| Received of H. I. Safford, for boards | \$ 3 00 |
| Received for sale of lots | 86 00 |
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| | \$89 00 |

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| Paid to treasurer..... | \$40 53 |
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S. S. WATSON, Supt. of Cemeteries.



REPORT OF THE LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

Our people the past year have in a marked degree appreciated the efforts of this board to keep our village in a healthy condition and have been more willing to co-operate with us.

We have had the regular number of meetings required by law. We have given personal inspection every case to which our attention has been called either by complaint or report. Personal inspection has been made of our school houses and their privy conveniences and are pleased to report that much more interest has been taken the past year by those in charge of our several school buildings, in providing better and more healthy accommodations, than has been manifested in previous years.

Many nuisances have been reported and have been abated without much trouble. A few, however, had to be pressed to satisfactory settlement. Much annoyance has been caused on account of the many sink drains that open into our public streets. It is a nuisance that should be abated.

The attention of our citizens can not be too strongly called to the matter of some systematic effort toward the proper drainage and sewerage of our principal streets.

Sewer pipe was laid in our village the past season from the head of Spring street to the culvert nearly opposite the Congregational church. All sink and cellar drains now

enter that sewer, which in that section has proved a very great improvement to the sanitary condition.

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| No. of formal complaints to Secretary, | 23. |
| “ “ overflowing cesspools, | 2. |
| “ “ cellars in bad condition, | 1. |
| “ “ barns “ “ “ | 1. |
| “ “ pens of swine, | 1. |
| “ “ “ “ dogs, | 1. |
| “ “ overflowing vaults, | 3. |
| “ “ sink drains, | 12. |
| “ “ manure heaps, | 2. |
| “ “ school houses visited, | 12. |
| “ found in good sanitary condition, | 12. |
| “ cases of scarlet fever reported, | 1. |
| “ “ “ typhoid “ “ | 12. |

Death rate: Whole number of deaths from March 1891 to March 1892, was 59. Male—29; female—30.

Thanking the public for the support which we have received in our efforts to obtain an improved sanitation, we submit this, our 2nd annual report.

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| CHAS. H. HAYDEN, Chairman. | } Local Board of Health. |
| C. M. FOSS, Medical Adviser. | |
| EDGAR A. RUSS, Secretary. | |

BUILDING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The committee chosen to superintend the building of a school house, for the accommodation of High and Grammar Schools, present herewith their report:

1891.

Mar. 9. Balance in hands of trustees\$93 24

The following is an account of the expenditures :

1891.

Aug. 21. Paid C. P. Gilman, for water right.....\$10 00

J. A. Fuller, for labor..... 19 50

Sept. 29. Dana Crockett, for lead pipe, etc 22 73

Nov. 4. L. W. Jose, labor..... 3 10

1892.

Feb. 20. Dana Crockett, for lead pipe, etc..... 6 58

Feb. 29. Cash in hands of trustees 31 33

\$93 24

The report presented and accepted, last year, was supposed to be final, but finding that the water supply was insufficient, and the committee, not having been discharged, ordered the above expenditure.

C. M. SAWYER,
R. W. NUTTER,

} Building
Committee.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS OF DEXTER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Engineers of the Fire Department would submit the following report for the year ending March 1, 1892:

FIRES AND ALARMS.

May 15.—Alarm at 8.15 A. M. Small fire on the roof of V. A. Sprague's house, caused by sparks from burning brush. Loss, \$30.00; fully covered by insurance.

Aug. 15.—At 11 P. M., fire in a store-house belonging to the Dexter Woolen Mills. Loss about \$1000.00; insured for about two-thirds. Undoubtedly this fire was caused by spontaneous combustion.

Oct. 17.—At 1.10 A. M., fire in two buildings on Main street, owned by H. C. Parsons. Loss on buildings and contents about \$150.00; insurance, \$85.00.

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EQUIPMENTS.

The department is manned and equipped the same as last year and all apparatus is in good order. The force pump at the grist mill has been thoroughly repaired, and is now in better condition than before for several years.

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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

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| Appropriated to pay firemen..... | \$577 50 |
| Paid to firemen | \$577 50 |
| Appropriated for running expenses..... | \$300 00 |
| Paid for running expenses..... | 298 66 |

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| Balance unexpended..... | \$ 1 34 |
| Appropriated for new bell | \$200 00 |
| Paid for new bell | 101 43 |

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| Balance unexpended..... | \$98 57 |
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RECOMMENDATIONS.

We would recommend that the usual sums be appropriated for running expenses, and for pay of firemen. We also recommend that \$300.00 be appropriated for repairs on the Engine House, of which it is very much in need.

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| S. M. LEIGHTON, | } | Board |
| C. F. WILLEY, | | of |
| C. E. MORSE, | | Engineers, |

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TOWN OF DEXTER IN ACCOUNT WITH A. A.
SPRINGALL, TREASURER.

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| By amount in hands of collector for 1888.....\$ | 6 37 |
| “ “ “ 1889..... | 75 44 |
| “ “ “ 1890..... | 971 26 |
| “ of W. C. Elder for plank sold..... | 6 08 |
| “ of Napoleon Buldoc on account of tax for 1890 | 6 18 |
| “ of N. F. Roberts for tar barrels sold.. | 2 50 |
| “ of R. W. Nutter for school books sold, | 21 20 |
| “ of Josiah Chandler, trust fund..... | 100 00 |
| “ of G. M. Sturtevant on account of town hall | 153 00 |
| “ of R. W. Nutter for tuition in High School | 151 00 |
| “ of Joseph Bush for poll tax of 1890... | 3 00 |
| “ from State of Maine, High School.... | 250 00 |
| “ “ “ school mill tax.. | 1751 14 |
| “ “ “ pensions | 282 00 |
| “ “ “ R. R. and tele- graph tax | 13 77 |
| “ from town of Ripley for support of Jen- nie Mulligan | 12 00 |
| “ from town of Ft. Fairfield for support of Ida Davenport..... | 22 50 |
| “ from town of Corinth for support of Alfred Bolton..... | 2 50 |
| “ from town of St. Albans for support of Booker and family..... | 126 17 |
| “ from town of Atkinson for support of E. L. Priest | 68 60 |
| “ from Dexter Savings Bank, temporary loans..... | 2100 00 |
| “ of Ezra Roberts, material sold from school property..... | 28 33 |
| “ of S. S. Watson for sale of lots in cemetery | 89 00 |
| “ of Selectmen for circus license..... | 10 00 |
| “ of L. D. Edgerly for bottles sold..... | 50 |
| “ of Abner Shepherd on account of town farm | 38 98 |
| “ of Mrs. M. J. Goodridge for privilege of sewer pipe..... | 10 00 |

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| By amount of William Abbott for sewer pipe | 18 00 |
| “ of Geo. W. Goff for use of sewer pipe, | 10 00 |
| “ of Cyrus Foss for concrete walk | 10 00 |
| “ of Selectmen on account of town farm, | 80 00 |
| “ of A. F. Bradbury, interest on school fund | 160 82 |
| “ of commitment | 20 352 12 |
| “ of supplementary | 139 74 |
| “ of interest collected on taxes for 1889, | 77 |
| “ “ “ “ 1890, | 26 16 |
| “ “ “ “ 1891, | 89 39 |
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| | \$27,188 52 |

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| To amount due Treasurer at commencement of year | \$ 75 23 |
| To paid on orders drawn on Treasurer | 17,170 50 |
| “ on highway orders | 3,778 12 |
| “ State tax | 3,187 36 |
| “ County tax | 709 88 |
| “ interest on town loan | 70 98 |
| “ State pensions | 282 00 |
| To amount in hands of Collector for 1888 | 4 57 |
| “ “ “ 1889 | 42 56 |
| “ “ “ 1890 | 112 21 |
| “ “ “ 1891 | 1,105 24 |
| To discount in 381 polls | 95 25 |
| To cash in Treasury | 554 62 |
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| | \$27,188 52 |

A. A. SPRINGALL, Treasurer of Dexter.

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

We, the undersigned, have duly examined the report of the Selectmen and find it comparatively correct.

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| B. F. ELDRIDGE, | } Town |
| LEVI BRIDGHAM, | |
| W. H. JUDKINS, | |
| | Auditors. |

Report of Supervisor.

TO THE CITIZENS OF DEXTER:—

Herewith I submit to you a report of your public schools for the year ending March 1, 1892.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
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| Surplus of 1891 | \$ 16 23 | |
| Town appropriation for common schools | 2825 00 | |
| Interest on school fund | 160 82 | |
| Received from agent | 28 33 | |
| Tuition | 9 30 | |
| Mill tax | 1751 14 | \$4790 82 |
| Appropriation for High School | 850 00 | |
| State aid | 250 00 | |
| Tuition | 148 50 | 1248 50 |
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| Total receipts | | \$6039 32 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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| Paid High School teachers | \$1235 36 | |
| for chemicals, etc | 3 52 | |
| village teachers | 1854 50 | |
| rural teachers | 1406 75 | |
| music teachers | 125 00 | |
| tuition to Corinna | 67 50 | |
| tuition to Sangerville | 15 00 | |
| for conveying scholars | 58 75 | |
| for stationary, printing, etc | 11 00 | |
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| Amount expended by supervisor, | \$4777 38 | |
| Amount expended by agent | 1073 51 | |
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| | | \$5850 89 |
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| Balance in favor of schools | \$ 188 43 | |

SCHOOL BOOKS.

RECEIPTS.

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| Surplus of 1891 | \$ 34 79 |
| Town appropriation..... | 400 00 |
| For books sold and lost | 24 33 |
| | <hr/> \$459 12 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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| For books and other appliances..... | \$412 18 |
| express, freight, cartage, etc..... | 6 50 |
| postage, etc | 2 00 |
| labeling and distributing | 10 00 |
| | <hr/> \$430 68 |

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| Balance on hand..... | \$28 44 |
| Amount still due on exchange | \$ 36 24 |
| Equivalent to overdraft of | 7 80 |
| Estimated value of material on hand | 125 00 |

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Cornell's new wall maps have been purchased for the common schools, at an expense of \$75.68, and Harper's Geographies have been introduced in exchange for Swinton's, at the following net exchange prices: Large books, 50 cts.; introductory book, 25. Monroe's Readers have been used eight years and were badly worn, making quite a purchase of books necessary to keep the schools properly supplied. It was found that old books could be exchanged for new ones more desirable, costing but a little more than the needed number like those in use. Accordingly the exchange was made with the American Book Co. for the first four of Barnes' series and Swinton's fifth, at 10, 19, 27, 38 and 49 cents per copy, respectively, the company paying expense of transportation. These books are well graded, and are indorsed as standard books by the best judges. Fifty copies of Black Beauty have been placed in the schools for story reading, and about twenty dollars' worth of reference books have been added to the High School library. The books of the common schools are comparatively new now, save the arithmetics, which have been in use six years, and ought to be exchanged soon.

To keep the school books, in a town of this size, in proper condition involves much care and expense. This year the expenditures have exceeded the appropriation, somewhat, but as you will see, a large amount of material has been purchased for the money and the schools are so well supplied that the appropriation for another year can be consistently reduced.

TABULAR REVIEW.

| Schools. | Teachers. | | No. Weeks. | Salary per Week. | No. of Scholars in District. | No. Registered. | Av. Attendance. | No. of Visits by Supervisor. | No. of Visits by Citizens. |
|----------------------|---|--|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| High. | F. A. Spratt, { s. M. J.C. Thompson, } f. " w. | | 12 11 11 | \$ | | 54 57 59 | 50 54 55 | 4 4 4 | 50 60 32 |
| Grammar No. 1. | R. W. Nutter, s. " f. " w. | | 10 10 10 | | | 43 40 34 | 37 35 30 | | 75 25 35 |
| Grammar No. 2. | Janette Fernald, s. " f. " w. | | 10 10 10 | 7 50 7 50 8 00 | | 50 42 44 | 43 40 40 | | 67 41 39 |
| Int. No. 1 | Ella J. Mower, s. " f. " w. | | 10 10 10 | 7 50 7 75 7 75 | | 46 42 42 | 44 40 34 | 4 2 3 | 52 39 30 |
| Int. No. 2. | E. Maude Bradman, s. " f. | | 10 10 | 7 50 7 75 | | 47 44 | 41 39 | 3 4 | 62 71 |
| Pri. No. 1. | Bessie W. Spratt, { w Carrie Ramsdell, } s. " f. " w. | | 10 10 10 10 | 7 75 7 50 7 75 7 75 | | 71 57 55 | 66 53 48 | 3 2 3 | 68 58 40 |
| Pri. No. 2. | Addie E. Church, s. " f. " w. | | 10 10 10 | 7 50 7 75 7 75 | | 60 58 50 | 54 53 46 | 4 3 3 | 79 90 |
| No. .6. | VILLAGE SCHOOLS. | | | | 535 | 346 | 314 | | |
| Rural No. 1. | Union District. | | | | 18 | 9 | 7 | 1 | |
| No. 2. | Crissie Gordon s. " f. Orpha N. Lowell, w. | | 8 9 10 | 4 75 5 25 6 50 | | 12 13 16 | 11 10 13 | 2 2 3 | 18 15 7 |
| No. 3. | Mattie N. Farrar, s. " f. " w. | | 8 9 9 | 4 75 5 00 6 00 | | 8 8 7 | 7 6 6 | 2 2 2 | 5 3 4 |
| No. 4. | Augusta L. Villey, s. " f. " w. | | 8 10 8 | 5 75 6 00 6 25 | | 11 16 12 | 9 12 10 | 2 2 2 | 5 9 10 |
| No. 5. | Mildred A. Clark, s. " f. " w. | | 8 9 9 | 6 00 6 00 6 50 | | 14 14 15 | 14 12 13 | 3 2 1 | 17 16 17 |
| No. 7. | Agnes M. Whittier s. " f. " w. | | 8 9 9 | 6 00 6 00 6 50 | | 11 9 12 | 9 8 10 | 2 2 2 | 27 14 16 |
| No. 8. | Helen E. Whitmore, s. Orpha Lowell, f. Fannie E. Jose, s. | | 8 9 8 | 4 50 4 75 6 00 | | 9 7 15 | 8 6 14 | 2 2 3 | 12 10 15 |
| No. 9. | " f. Delva A. Safford, w. Carrie Ramsdell, s. | | 8 10 8 | 6 00 6 50 6 50 | | 22 20 27 | 21 19 23 | 2 2 2 | 15 6 32 |
| No. 10. | " f. " w. | | 10 8 | 6 50 7 00 | | 25 24 | 20 21 | 2 1 | 25 29 |
| No. 11. | Florence Marble, s. " f. " w. | | 8 9 9 | 6 00 6 00 6 50 | | 21 22 18 | 20 17 16 | 3 1 2 | 8 12 3 |
| No. 12. | Mabel E. Howard, s. | | 8 | 5 75 | | 13 | 10 | 3 | 15 |
| No. 13. | Lena Ellms, s. | | 8 | 4 50 | | 5 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Rural Schools, - - - | | | | | 238 | 148 | 128 | | |
| Total, - - - | | | | | 773 | 494 | 442 | | |

HIGH SCHOOL.

The former teachers have been retained for the year and average interest manifested. Accordingly to the record the work of the pupils has compared favorably with that of other years. There has been no improvemet worthy of special mention save the increased interest in the sciences due to additional experiments. The strenuous effort of the Principal to win the respect and co-operation of pupils has been abundantly rewarded. Such a policy is important and praiseworthy when not carried so far as to impair the efficiency of instruction.

It is unnecessary for me to say that much of the success of this school is due to the efficient aid of Miss Thompson who has so long been the faithful assistant.

The number in attendance has been gradually increasing due, it is hoped, to a wiser public sentiment in favor of secondary education. The enrolment of classes exists as follows: Cla-s of '92, ten; '93, eleven; '94, fourteen; '95, twenty-three; unclassified, two.

The teachers have encouraged self-reliance, have endeavored to awaken some interest in standard literature and to secure a high standard of scholarship in the several classes, although the record indicates a defective system of marks.

It is obvious that the success of a school depends in no small degree on keeping the minds of the pupils on their work. Systematic written tests generously ranked with a fixed standard have never failed to increase the interest and thoroughness of classes. The subscribers to the prize fund have fulfilled their agreement and there has been no provision for a continuance. Whether prize exhibitions are on the whole advantageous, is, in my judgement, an open question. Whether their value outweighs loss of time and concentration of energy is worthy careful consideration. There is no subject in connection with High school work of more importance than reading. The intellectual activity and moral character of a pupil depends, in no small degree, upon the books he reads. If a pupil learns to discern between good and bad reading, while at school, he has secured that which is of more value to him than all his other acquisitions.

I would recommend that a list of books be prepared for each class and every member be required to read a certain number of volumes each year and to give evidence of the fact by writing criticisms which may be substituted for regular essay work.

At first some difficulty may be experienced in procuring suitable books, but I trust such an arrangement would place

the best literature in the hands of the pupils, cause many helpful additions to our town library and lead to liberal donations to the library of this school.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

In this grade there have been 79 pupils in regular attendance, about 40 in each room. At the close of the spring term 26 were promoted to the High School and a class of 23 was received from the Intermediate grade. The pupils have been orderly and industrious, and the written examinations from term to term have showed gradual improvement. Miss Fernald, the teacher of the 2nd grade, has been faithful to her duties, and has cheerfully undertaken whatever seemed best. She is progressive in method and her manner of dealing seems to win the respect of her pupils. In justice to the pupils of the first grade, I will say that I do not remember of ever teaching a school in whose integrity I had greater confidence.

INTERMEDIATE NO. 1.

Miss Ella Mower has been the teacher for the year, and it is needless to say that the school has prospered under her guidance.

Miss Mower is an enthusiastic worker, and her vigorous manner animates the pupils. While the discipline in this room might not please all, the industry and thoroughness should satisfy the most critical.

INTERMEDIATE NO 2.

The teacher of the summer and fall terms had had but little experience in graded work, but as a teacher of common schools came highly recommended. She possesses energy, perception and other qualifications essential to good teaching, and, as a scholar, ranked among the very best. Her method of teaching is good and her work in many respects deserves praise.

The improvement in reading was especially noticeable and no other teacher did better work in music.

The discipline of the school was not altogether above criticism. Mrs. F. A. Spratt, whose reputation as a teacher in this grade is well known in Dexter, was employed for the winter term, but was obliged to resign at the close of the fourth week on account of sickness. The scarcity of teachers and the prevailing epidemic necessitated a short vacation, and the school was not reopened until Feb. 1, when Miss Carrie Ramsdell was placed in charge.

Miss Ramsdell has been unusually successful in the school room, and in my judgment will make an excellent teacher for the grade.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

The primary schools have done most excellent work this year. Many improvements have been made, due largely to the activity of the teachers. The studies in these rooms are no longer a dogma of facts but have become replete with life. The busy work, so called, covering as it does so large a field, the valuable instruction pertaining to common things, the calisthenics, the exercise songs, the temperance work and familiar talks on morals and manners have attracted the children and have made school-work entertaining as well as instructive. The little ones no longer sigh for vacation but impatiently wait for the beginning of another term.

RURAL SCHOOLS.

UNION DISTRICT—No. 1.

This school is situated on the South Ridge in the town of Corinna and is known as the union district. Dexter has always contributed liberally to its support and for the most part her scholars have been kindly treated and well taught. There have been three terms—27 weeks—directed by the Supervisor of Corinna. Dexter has paid tuition at the rate of \$2.50 per week.

BARTON DISTRICT—No. 2.

A small school of ambitious pupils who have maintained a high standard in improvement and deportment throughout the year. The faithful, conscientious teacher of the first two terms merited a hearty cooperation of patrons and had she been a little more circumspect in her manner of dealing, and some of the parents less prone to adverse criticism, perfect harmony might have prevailed.

The few scholars of the Lowell district were sent here for the winter term, by mutual agreement, and Miss Orpha Lowell was placed in charge. Miss Lowell is pleasant but firm in the school-room and readily secures the confidence of her pupils.

She has never failed to make her services profitable and with a little more experience is destined to rank high in the profession.

JONES DISTRICT—No. 3.

For three years Miss Mattie Farrar has served this district as teacher with general satisfaction.

The scholars though few in number, have taken unusual

interest in their studies and have made excellent progress. One student, Miss Marcia Gordon, will enter the High School in the fall. At the close of the winter session no school in town showed greater improvement in reading.

STORER DISTRICT—No. 4.

Owing to several changes of residence in this district, the advancement in school work has been somewhat affected but good order and good methods have characterized the work with as favorable results as one could justly expect under the circumstances. As an instructress Miss Willey sustains an enviable reputation.

ADDITON DISTRICT—No. 5.

Miss Mildred Clark has taught this school for five terms and invariably both pupils and parents have expressed a wish for her to return. Miss Clark is original in method, well trained, and exercises good judgment.

The parents are not unmindful of their duty and the pupils are bright and industrious. In the past this district has sent several to the High School and one more, Master Stanley Additon, will be qualified to enter in the fall with others to follow.

Certainly this school has been profitable in every particular.

SPOONER DISTRICT—No. 7.

Fourteen names have been registered and 57 visits by citizens have been recorded.

The same teacher for the three terms. At each examination the classes showed careful training and perfect harmony has existed throughout the year.

The teacher enjoys the respect and support of all, and the parents, as the number of visits will show, retain their former interest in education.

Evidently the right teacher in the right place.

LOWELL DISTRICT—No. 8.

Two terms—17 weeks—taught by different teachers. The summer school appeared well when visited and the pupils were quite prompt in their recitations. The teacher is energetic and scholarly. A little better knowledge of human nature will render her duties as teacher less arduous.

The fall school was taught by Miss Lowell, with satisfactory results. The building of this district is old, out of repair, and unfit for winter use. Accordingly the scholars were sent to the adjoining district, No. 2, for their winter schooling.

DAGGETT DISTRICT—No. 9.

The second rural school in size but second to none in scholarship. Five pupils will be qualified to enter the High School in the fall as follows: Ethelbert Haseltine, Jackson Roberts, Woodza Folsom, Myrtie Farrar, and Katie Roberts. The first two terms were taught by a young lady of exemplary character who labored hard for the interest of her scholars but lack of judgment and over-anxiety to please detracted from the thoroughness and weakened the deportment.

Miss Safford, a former teacher of the district, was employed for the winter term and she very soon brought order out of chaos, and carried the work forward in a manner highly satisfactory to all.

As a disciplinarian, Miss Safford has few superiors. She rarely fails to interest her pupils and the Motto, "Not how much but how well," is ever kept before her classes.

BLAKE DISTRICT—No. 10.

Here is the largest rural school in town and, although not difficult to manage, requires a strong, active teacher. Miss Carrie Ramsdell has been the popular teacher of this school for the past six terms. She is fully active in her work, has labored in school and out for the good of her pupils and has imparted to them much of her own zeal and enthusiasm.

The examinations during the year have been varied and searching, showing a degree of thoroughness not usually attained with so small scholars. Miss Ramsdell has had an eye to the moral as well as the intellectual development of her pupils. Under her tuition a Sabbath School was organized early in the year, in which all, both old and young, have taken a great interest. Her precepts and example have seemed to revive social relations throughout the district and all are pronounced in their praise of her work.

NORTH DEXTER DISTRICT—No. 11.

Miss Florence Marble has been the teacher for the three terms. At the close of each session the exercises showed clearly that both teacher and pupils had been faithful.

While the advancement of this school has not been so great as that of some others in town, the thoroughness of the classes testified to the good judgment of the teacher. Seemingly the school has been well managed and the time of the pupils profitably employed.

SOUTH BRANCH DISTRICT—No. 12.

One term—8 weeks—13 scholars registered. Taught by Miss Mabel Howard with average results. Evidently Miss Howard made good use of her time at the Normal, for her work in this district was a decided improvement. During the summer vacation ten of the pupils removed to other districts, and it did not seem advisable to re-open the school with so few to attend. Accordingly the scholars were conveyed to the village schools for the fall and winter terms.

COUSINS DISTRICT—No. 13.

As can be seen by former reports, there has been no school in this district since the spring of '89, the scholars attending at Gilman's Corner in Sangerville. But the agent's canvass of the present year showed ten scholars, and it was reported there would be about that number to attend. With this impression the school was re-opened for a summer term with Miss Lena Ellms in charge. Only five scholars were registered—four from the family of Mr. Nuite, aged 3, 6, 11 and 13 years; the other a little grandson of Mr. Cousin's. The fortitude of Miss Ellms deserves praise, for she remained 8 weeks and interested the children as none but an ingenious person could, receiving \$36 for her services. Undoubtedly she was faithful in every particular, but the continuance of such a school, though strongly urged, seemed inconsistent, and it was again adjourned for the year and the pupils have attended in Sangerville as formerly.

 REMARKS.

The school agent has reported 773 scholars in town—535 in village, 238 in rural districts—26 more than last year. From tabular view can be seen the number registered, number of weeks in districts, expense of same, number of visits by supervisor, etc. The average registration for the three terms has been as follows: In the village, 346; average number in attendance, 314. In the country, 148, with an average of 128.

When all the schools are in session 19 teachers are required. There have been 23 different ones employed during the year, showing but two changes in the rural schools and one in the village. Permanent teaching is essential to a high standard of work, and should be sought invariably. The parents have manifested a lively interest, es-

pecially in the rural districts, and have done much to encourage the pupils and to lighten the burdens of teachers.

The law for compulsory attendance has been fairly well enforced, but does not harmonize with graded school work. Pupils who are obliged to comply are usually unclassified and pursue their studies to a disadvantage. This difficulty might be overcome in a measure by a term of ungraded school in the village for students of all ages who are unable to attend the graded schools regularly.

During the past year the music has been characterized by its former excellence. Every succeeding year finds this study more popular with pupils and teacher. Its disciplinary influence is very apparent to one who has seen the schools with and without it.

Much credit is due to Miss Winslow for the excellent results secured. The compliments received from good judges testify to her success.

For services rendered Miss Winslow has received \$125, an average expense of 14 cents a pupil per term. The present condition of our schools will justify the introduction of drawing, which has a practical bearing upon many other studies. In fact any study whose end is to train the eye to see correctly is important, for through that organ the mind comes in contact with the world.

To this end I recommend the adoption of a system of free-hand drawing at the commencement of another school year.

Probably in no part of the school work has greater progress been made than in the methods of teaching. These have steadily changed in such a way as to call forth the practical thought of the pupil.

Arithmetic has been taught more inductively and objects have been freely used in the elementary work.

More attention has been given to spelling. In the Primary and Intermediate grades, Rhonics have been carefully taught, and the new spellers have been constantly used in all grades with good results. Certainly experiment has shown no better devices for teaching spelling than the well compiled spelling book.

The classes in geography have received better instruction. This study has been made more interesting by means of additional map drawing, books of travel relating to habits and customs of people, with their commercial relations.

Some improvement has been made in teaching history, but much better work can be done. Teachers should not be satisfied with their instruction until this dry and uninteresting study, so called, has been transformed into one

of the most delightful; for no branch pursued in our public schools is of greater importance.

The work in language and composition has never been better to my knowledge. Language lessons have formed the basis of grammar work but not to the exclusion of technical grammar in which at least one year should be spent, and if the time can be lengthened to two years so much the better.

As formerly in employing teachers I have sought the best talent available, showing preference to resident teachers when it seemed as well to do so. "All other things being equal," such preference can justly be shown; but when carried beyond this, it is to the sacrifice of progress in school work.

It can justly be said that the work of our teachers for the past year has been truly commendable. They have spared neither time nor expense to improve their methods, and through their efforts and hearty co-operation our school system has been raised to its present standard.

One would have to go far to find a more faithful and efficient corps of teachers, and I wish to express my gratitude to them for their fidelity, realizing as I do, that my own efforts would have been in vain without their support.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

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| For Common Schools..... | \$2600 00 |
| High School..... | 850 00 |
| School Books..... | 300 00 |
| Music..... | 125 00 |

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, fellow citizens, permit me to say that it has been my purpose to expend your liberal appropriation judiciously and to keep your schools in a progressive condition. Whether or not my efforts are worthy it is for you to determine.

Thanking you again for your confidence and encouragement, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

R. W. NUTTER,
Supervisor.

