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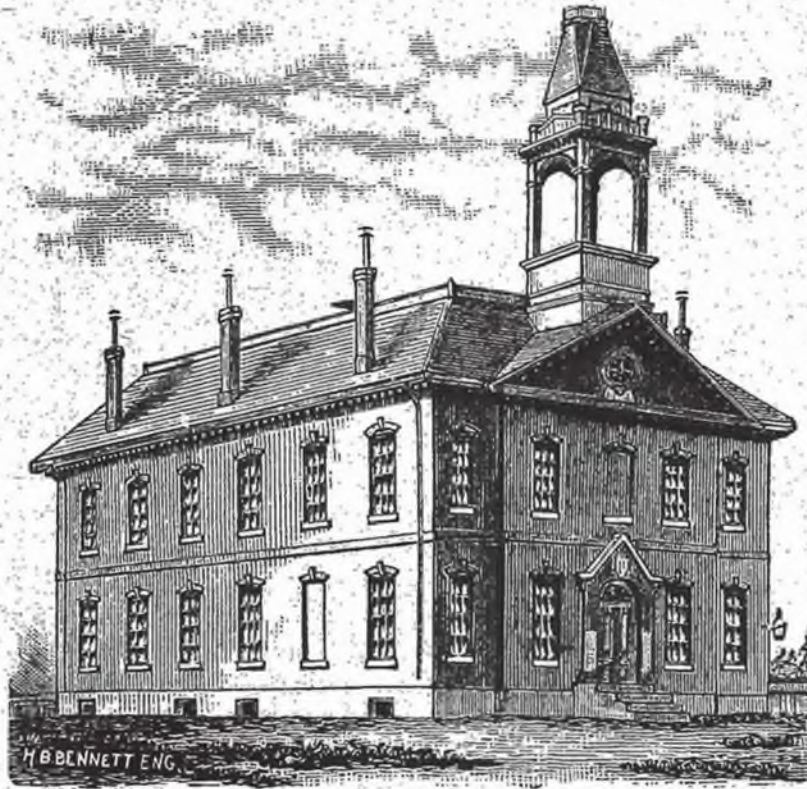
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FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS



TOWN HOUSE, SOUTH PORTLAND, ME.

OF

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TOWN OFFICERS OF SOUTH PORTLAND, 1898.

TOWN CLERK :

NOAH B. KNIGHT.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR :

THOMAS B. HASKELL, CHARLES N. TREFETHEN,
WILLIAM L. BRADFORD.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES :

JOHN F. MERRIMAN.

TOWN TREASURER :

J. CALVIN KNAPP.

TOWN AGENT :

JOHN B. CHASE.

TOWN AUDITOR :

CLARENCE A. WILLIAMS.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE :

EDWARD C. REYNOLDS, FRANK I. BROWN,
FRANK P. SCAMMAN.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS :

JOSEPH S. FICKETT.

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS :

LYMAN B. TWITCHELL.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES :

HENRY E. CASH.

CONSTABLES :

JAMES E. HAYES,	WILLIAM M. BURGESS,
WARREN W. WILLARD,	THOMAS F. O'NEIL,
HUGH F. FLYNN,	EDWIN FOWLER,
HENRY D. S. WOODBURY,	CHAS. J. McDONALD,
THOS. P. PLACE,	EDWARD E. STONE.

TRUANT OFFICERS :

WARREN W. WILLARD, WILLIAM J. CRIBBY,
JOHN L. RICHARDSON.

TOWN OFFICERS' REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of South Portland : —

We, the Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, and Road Commissioner, herewith submit our report for the year 1898, ending February 1, 1899.

Report of the Selectmen of the Town of South Portland

For the Municipal Year Ending February 1, 1899.

At the beginning of the municipal year, our attention was called by the town counsel to a lawsuit of Eliza J. Pratt, against the town, for land taken for a town way ; which suit was pending in the court Feb. 1, 1898, and not reported to the town. Through counsel, in settlement of her suit, two hundred dollars has been allowed by the Selectmen, and in consideration thereof, the suit has been ended in court, and she gives a warranty deed to the town of the premises involved in the suit, and which are covered by the town way, on account of which her suit was brought.

Early in the year a bill was presented to the Board, approved by the Supt. of Schools, and the Chairman of the School Committee for the year 1897, to the amount of \$391.10, to reimburse "The King Richardson Publishing Co., Springfield, Mass., for introducing, as an experiment, music into the common schools." The town had been asked to make an appropriation of \$300, for teaching music, but the voters summarily voted it down at a special meeting. Your Selectmen, knowing that the town had denied to grant an appropriation for music, refused to draw an order on any account for the payment of this claim, preferring to obey the voice of the town, than violate their oath of office. Law-suits generally should be avoided ; but in a case like this, it would be better to invite a suit and probe the whole matter, rather than supersede the voice of the town.

We have granted to the Portland & Cape Elizabeth Electric R. R. Co. the right to locate their track from Broadway over

Meeting House Hill and Cottage road to Angell av., the road to be built by August 15, 1899. The decree, plan, and all papers bearing on said location are recorded in the Town Clerk's office.

At the request of a number of the leading citizens of Willard, the managers of the Electric R. R. Co. conferred with the Selectmen, and entered into an agreement whereby the Electric R. R. Co. purchased land and deeded the same to the town; and widened and rebuilt the road bed through the main street from Fort Road to Angell Av., in a perfect and satisfactory manner, acceptable to the Selectmen and the citizens of Willard. The Company now operate their double track from Fort Road to Point Road. All decrees and plans are recorded on the Town Clerk's books. In our associations with the managers of the Electric R. R. Co. we have found them courteous and willing to meet any requests made by us upon them.

In conformity to a vote of the town passed at a special town meeting held June 4, 1898, we have leased from the Trustees of Hiram Lodge two rooms in the new Masonic block, the southerly corner room on Main and E Streets and the next room adjoining, being the center room, with the cellar under the same, for a term of ten years, at an annual rental of \$400 per year, payable semi-annually on the first day of July and January. The rooms are large, pleasant and convenient, with a large vault for the preservation of the books and records. These offices being centrally located will convene nine-tenths of the tax payers, and prove the wisdom of the voters in making the change.

On December 3, Mr. Joseph F. Chaplin, Road Commissioner, tendered his resignation, which was accepted, and Mr. Frank C. Nutter was appointed for the unexpired term.

We gave notice on Jan. 1 for all persons having any bills against the town to present the same for payment by Feb. 1. We are glad to report that there are no bills on the spindle in the Selectmen's office, except one Dr. D. A. Kincaid for \$45.00, which we consider unreasonable and unjust, considering how the

bill was contracted, and we respectfully refer this claim to the incoming city government, and that we know of no bills contracted by the Selectmen that now remain outstanding. In the lawsuit between South Portland and Cape Elizabeth, as the suit is not settled, no counsel bills have been presented.

Unpaid bills due February 1, 1898, for the years 1895-97, and paid during the year 1898, and charged to the several accounts for year 1898.

James P. Allen,	1897, town charges,	\$3 00
Warren W. Willard,	“ “	7 50
Dr. L. S. Lombard,	“ “	9 25
Dr. J. W. Lowell,	1895-97, “	19 75
Dr. S. B. Thombs,	“ “	15 50
James E. Hayes,	“ “	6 00
Wm. M. Burgess,	“ “	19 00
Joseph Craig,	“ “	10 00
Geo. F. Murch,	“ “	19 60
E. C. Jordan,	“ “	388 25
N. & H. B. Cleaves,	“ “	392 96
Loring, Short & Harmon,	“ “	7 68
James E. Smith,	“ “	10 50
D. F. Scamman,	“ “	23 25
Dr. J. W. Lowell,	“ “	44 50
Dr. J. K. P. Rogers,	“ “	71 00
E. D. Thompson,	“ roads and bridges,	7 20
E. C. Jordan,	“ Stanford St. sewer,	179 00
Portland Foundry,	“ repairs drains and sewers,	14 64
Geo. W. Cash,	“ “	14 87
William Lucas,	“ “	10 80
Eben Corey,	1895, “	5 84
W. J. Harper,	1897, text books,	7 05
W. L. Bradford,	“ repairing schoolhouses,	9 48
L. C. Jewell,	“ out poor,	6 00

Dr. L. S. Lombard,	1897, out poor,	\$ 4 50
Dr. J. K. P. Rogers,	“ “	65 50
Cash Brothers,	“ “	6 70
John F. Merriman,	“ “	3 81
Insane hospital, from Aug. 31 to Nov. 30, 1897, out poor,		418 64
Dr. D. A. Kincaid,	1897, out poor,	112 50
Dr. F. I. Brown,	“ “	27 00
Town of Rockport,	“ “	7 79
Dr. J. W. Lowell,	“ “	36 00
City of Portland, 1895-1897,	“	386 71
Mary E. Hannaford,	1897, “	6 58
Robert Fickett,	“ almshouse,	6 97
W. W. Barnes,	“ “	13 00
Dyer & Jose,	“ “	55 00
C. A. Bond,	“ “	4 05
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		\$2,457 37

Winter and Spring Highway Bills. 1897-1898.

District No. 1.

Dyer, E. H., Surveyor.....	\$ 82 00	Howell, John F.....	\$ 1 00
Hannaford, Charles M.....	68 00	Sirles, Charles S.....	5 00
York, George F.....	6 80	Dewyea, Frank H.....	4 80
Jordan, A. S.....	27 20	Littlejohn, Charles H.....	2 00
Foss, A. B.....	22 80	Crowe, George B.....	7 00
Wallace, George.....	13 60	Pettengill, A. R.....	2 00
Ryans, Arthur.....	3 40	Davis, Emery.....	4 80
Varrill.....	29 40	Day, C. W.....	3 00
Purrington, John.....	29 80	Keegan, T. H.....	4 80
Tobin, F. R.....	2 80	Mapes, E. W.....	5 00
Knowles, Fred A.....	37 77	Pray, R. M.....	1 00
Dyer, Leonard K.....	59 20	Stanford, John L.....	2 00
Henley, E. S.....	28 20	Inniss, Edward.....	7 00
Gowan, George R.....	13 20	Richardson, William.....	2 00
Gowan, Frank H.....	15 20	Reed, Chas. A.....	4 80
Dyer, Q. P. S.....	12 65	Humphrey, R. E.....	3 80
Brown, C. A.....	3 00	Upton, Charles.....	4 80
Allen, James P.....	3 80	McDonald, Edward.....	2 80
Upton, David.....	1 00	Fellows, Daniel Wm.....	3 00
Parsons, James.....	3 80	Gibson, Robert.....	2 60
Doughty, William.....	9 80	Doughty, A. J.....	7 00
Henley, Frank.....	3 80	Smith, D. D.....	2 80
Peters, Frank.....	1 20	Spear, William.....	6 65
Doughty, G. Washington....	3 80	Eldridge, Wm. H.....	2 00
Goodnow, Wm. N.....	2 00	Sutherland, Colan L.....	3 80
Moore, A. G.....	3 20	Chandler, George E.....	3 00
Purrington, H. B.....	1 00	Smart, Sumner R.....	6 80
Griffin, Charles H.....	3 80		
Wallace, Thomas.....	1 00		
Tilton, Frank.....	5 80		
			\$604 27

District No. 2.

Burbank, Gideon Sawyer....	\$ 19 90	Graffam, J. O.....	\$ 5 20
Berry, John.....	4 20	Angell, Wm. H.....	1 60
Sylvester, Daniel.....	5 42	Griffin, Albus.....	2 10
Willard, Caleb.....	40	Twitchell, L. B.....	1 60
Andrews, Eben.....	7 20	Willard, Freeman.....	3 50
Angell, Samuel B.....	2 10	Thompson, E. D.....	5 10
Wight, H. M.....	5 20	Loveitt, Samuel.....	4 30
Strout, Willis F.....	4 10	Loveitt, John F.....	2 10
Gould, George L.....	3 70	Woodbury, Alfred.....	30

White, Wm. H.....	\$ 3 40	Jordan, Benj. P.....	\$ 1 60
Thompson, Nathaniel.....	2 40	Simonton, Joseph.....	2 40
Angell, Albus R.....	1 60	Cobb, Daniel P.....	4 80
Loveitt, Howard.....	3 20	Cobb, Daniel B.....	1 70
Wiley, Ernest.....	1 09	Loveitt, Ernest.....	6 10
Wiley, Thomas.....	2 60	Smith, George M.....	80
Loveitt, Daniel G.....	3 00	Willard, Charles H.....	2 00
Loveitt, Jedediah.....	3 10	Pillsbury, George W.....	7 20
Loveitt, Charles.....	2 60	Day, J. Frank.....	5 60
Anderson, Berge.....	1 90	Miller, Robert H.....	80
Hatch, George.....	30	Loveitt, Everett.....	80
Thomas, Eno A.....	3 40	Graffam, Daniel.....	1 60
Pillsbury, Tobias.....	5 10	Loveitt, Nathaniel.....	4 00
Willard, George.....	2 20	Sawyer, Andrew S.....	1 90
Willard, Gilman.....	2 70	Loveitt, Albert.....	4 90
Bolton, Thomas S.....	4 00	Small, Clement.....	4 70
Bolton, George F.....	2 00	Cobb, George F.....	2 80
Brown, Charles F.....	2 00	Twitchell, E. C.....	1 90
Woodbury, Thomas.....	30	Cline, Wm.....	2 10
Nason, James.....	1 90	Griffin, Geo. A.....	3 10
Cobb, Charles A.....	2 50	Fielding, Robert.....	4 40
Graffam, Daniel.....	1 80	Perry, Robert.....	1 80
Loveitt, Herbert F.....	1 50	Wheeler, John N.....	2 30
Chase, John B.....	1 60	Hatch, Joseph.....	1 10
McKenzie, Wm. H.....	1 40	Willard, Gustavus.....	2 10
Griffin, Albert D.....	1 60	Cloudman, George.....	60
Arey, Herbert M.....	2 20	Thompson, Howard.....	3 40
Woodbury, Willard.....	80	Strout, Frank.....	3 20
Willard, Charles.....	80	Shanning, Victor L.....	1 80
Strout, A. W.....	1 40		
Cline, Samuel.....	1 80		
Morton, Joseph.....	2 00		
			\$229 31

District No. 3.

Robinson, E. C., Surveyor....	\$ 28 95	Jewell, Frank C.....	\$ 1 60
Parrott, John L., est.....	34 30	Sawyer, Edward F.....	60
Dyer, Kendrick.....	3 10	Dyer, John.....	90
Dyer, Greely H.....	5 50	Cobb, Thomas.....	4 70
Libby, Alvinza.....	2 08	Newell, H. S.....	8 10
Peterson, Charles H.....	7 70	Waterhouse, Harry.....	1 20
Dyer, Moulton F.....	2 50	Place, George.....	10 90
Parrott, Herbert.....	2 50	Sawyer, Henry M.....	11 70
Cribby.....	80	Merrill, Henry F.....	15 38
Peterson, David.....	8 30		
Sawyer, Charles E.....	7 60		
Ginn, Isaac R.....	4 90		
			\$163 31

District No. 4.

Gurney, John P., Surveyor..	\$ 52 68	Clements, John.....	\$ 10 60
Libby, Alvinza.....	24 18	Doyne, George.....	4 50
Gurney, Wm. P.....	23 85	Stanwood, Robt.....	5 20
O'Neil, Clarence.....	7 08	Abbott, John.....	2 20
Newell, H. F.....	1 60	McFarland, Thomas.....	5 00
Small, Charles.....	80	Pond, James.....	10 50
Archibald, Robert.....	20 40	Brown, James.....	2 30
Town Team.....	21 60	Johnson, Peter.....	6 20

Bradford, Wm. L.....	\$ 4 40	Gibson, Frank.....	\$ 1 40
Pettengill, Edward.....	4 80	Nutter, Frank C.....	30 00
Cribby, William.....	2 40	Jenney, Charles A.....	60
Pettengill, Charles.....	1 60	Blake, A. W.....	1 20
Alexander, John.....	3 20	Mareau heirs.....	6 60
Underhill, Henry.....	6 00	Pillsbury, John F.....	4 00
Smith, Isaac.....	1 40	Scamman, Stephen.....	2 00
Taylor, Stewart.....	4 20		
Hobbs, Albert.....	1 40		\$275 29
Smith, William.....	1 40		

District No. 5.

Morse, Clement V.....	\$ 29 53	Fickett, Phillips.....	\$ 3 40
Morse, Clifton.....	17 60	Morse, H. E.....	2 70
Lindsey, William H.....	16 60	Apt. Geo. D.....	2 50
Woods, Fred.....	5 20	White, Wm. W.....	3 00
Taylor, C.....	5 20	Lemont, Fred.....	1 60
Cassiday, J. A.....	4 60	Hoyt, Norman.....	1 60
Lewis, H. C.....	5 20	Blombquist, John G.....	1 00
Hamilton, E. M.....	5 20	Hanlon, J. H.....	3 60
Hamilton, C. W.....	1 60	Town Team.....	8 40
Cassiday, Arthur.....	1 30		
			\$119 83

District No. 6.

Stanwood, George M. Surveyor	\$ 22 20	Dyer, George A.....	\$ 8 80
Jordan, J. Q. A.....	6 60	Jordan, Samuel.....	3 20
Cotton, John.....	3 00	Jordan, Alvin A.....	3 75
Cotton, Howard.....	2 00	Henry, George, jr.....	10 00
Fickett, A. W.....	4 70	Higgins Bros.....	19 80
Whitney, George P.....	6 50		
Whitney, Edward A.....	8 20		\$100 35
Whitney, Frank.....	1 60		

District No. 7.

Haskell, Thomas B., Surveyor	\$ 13 83	Smith, Wm. A.....	\$ 8 40
Barber, John E.....	11 90	Duddy, Wm. E.....	12 80
Boucher, James.....	15 70	Burns, James.....	7 00
Cash, Wm., jr.....	7 50	Chandler, Benj. F.....	2 80
Rines, Stephen.....	3 60	Berry, George.....	1 00
Cook, Thomas H.....	3 00	Wilkinson, John H.....	1 00
Libby, A. Wesley.....	6 60	Manning, John.....	3 00
Henry, Ernest.....	1 60	Brown, Charles.....	2 80
Carlson, Jasper.....	1 60	McKay, Daniel.....	2 80
Trott, Charles.....	1 50	Eggart, Hiram.....	2 80
Hunnewell, A. C.....	60	Kenney, Wm. L.....	1 80
Cash, Leroy M.....	2 80	Gough, Harry.....	1 80
Pratt, Albert.....	2 80	Gough, George.....	1 80
Skillin, John A.....	5 60	Cash, William.....	4 60
Skillin, Charles E.....	7 20	Gasso, A. J.....	5 20
O'Donnell, Dominick.....	2 40	Hunnewell, S. F.....	6 40
Nutter, Frank C.....	12 00		
Jordan, Wm. B.....	7 40		\$173 63

District No. 8.

McKenny, Horace B., Surveyor	\$ 13 30	McKenny, Walter J.	\$ 3 70
Trickey, Robert	14 90	Skillin, L. P. & E. C.	11 30
Cummings, Frank P.	1 60	Skillin, Washington	8 70
Illsley, Caleb B.	6 85	Skillin, Wm. W.	4 00
Berry, Alphonzo	2 80		
Kiley, Thomas	80		\$ 67 95

District No. 9.

Skillin, Frank A., Surveyor	\$ 20 80	Rundlett, J. C., heirs	\$ 3 60
Leighton, E. S.	3 60	Brackett, Byron B.	4 80
Hamlin, E. S.	6 20	Roberts, Eugene	3 60
Skillin, J. S. J.	1 00	Littlehale, M. C.	3 60
Clark, D. W.	2 00	Dawson, Charles	2 00
Hatch, Charles	3 40	Wright, John S.	6 00
Broad, Ephraim	3 00	Brown, Mrs. Mary	2 80
Phinney, Thos. R.	3 80		
Phinney, Charles G.	4 80		\$ 75 80

District No. 10.

Libby, Fred E., Surveyor	\$ 6 48	Arnold, George A.	\$ 1 00
Taggart, Wm.	3 53	Noyes, Edwin	1 00
Plummer, Geo. E.	60	Wetherbee, Charles F.	8 80
Plummer, David	2 30	Roberts, Wm. F.	1 60
Tupper, Geo. E.	1 00	Allen, Geo. W.	60
Noyes, Frank H.	1 80	Small, David	40
Mains, Hiram	2 40	Newcomb, Samuel	40
McCourt, Charles	1 80	Moody, Albert F.	80
McCourt, M. J.	1 80	Lane, George	1 40
Johnson, John H.	3 00	O'Donnell, Patrick	1 40
Tupper, Gideon O.	1 00	Libby, Levi	40
Reed, Roscoe R.	1 00	Moody, John	8 00
Riley, George	1 00		
			\$ 53 51

Total amount, \$1,863.25.

Report of Road Commissioner.

SO. PORTLAND, DECEMBER 3, 1898.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit my report as Road Commissioner to the date above mentioned, inclusive.

I have drawn orders to the following persons in the amounts named for summer work to November 1.

Archibald, George O.....	\$ 15 80	Dyer, Q. P. S.....	\$ 5 92
Allen, George.....	6 00	Duddy, W. E.....	26 60
Avery, William.....	8 02	Daggett, Thomas.....	2 00
Angell, Samuel.....	1 37	Dyer, Albert G.....	5 00
Andrews, Eben.....	8 60	Deering, Winslow, Co.....	49 21
Burgess, William M.....	3 81	Dyer, J. A. S. & Co.....	61 49
Broad, Ephriam.....	9 40	Dyer, C. G.....	19 42
Bryant, Charles.....	23 67	Doten, S. H. and A. R.....	2 14
Brown, C. A.....	5 00	Dewyea, Frank Y.....	9 40
Barbour, John.....	13 90	Digeo, John.....	80
Benson, George.....	5 00	Edwards & Walker Co.....	7 85
Boucher, James.....	30 00	Edward, J. H.....	1 07
Brackett, B. B.....	9 10	Foss, A. B.....	44 80
Berlin Mills Co.....	259 32	Foss, Austin.....	11 00
Burbank, Gideon.....	7 00	Frazier, James.....	9 50
Berry, John.....	4 40	Fullam, J. A.....	6 75
Chaplin, J. F.....	169 60	Gurney, J. P.....	56 94
Crockett, Freeman.....	11 00	Gurney, William.....	11 27
Cribby, George.....	51 00	Gowan, G. R.....	21 40
Cash, John.....	13 60	Grace, Frank.....	7 60
Cash, Wesley.....	9 00	Graffam, Osgood.....	1 80
Cuskley, John.....	8 00	Gibson, Robert.....	10 40
Cash, Leroy.....	15 50	Getchell, H. F.....	70
Cummings, John.....	5 60	Gibson, Frank.....	3 20
Cook, Thomas.....	6 00	Hannaford, Charles M.....	155 50
Cash, H. E.....	26 20	Huntoon, G. H.....	28 00
Cole, Charles.....	3 00	Hopkins, E. L.....	12 30
Chapman, Lorenzo M.....	7 00	Henley, B. F.....	27 10
Cummings, F. P.....	14 99	Hatch, W. W. (D. W. Clark)..	42 60
Coombs, Frank.....	2 60	Hobbs, A. G.....	8 40
Curran, W. S.....	5 00	Haley, Parker O.....	10 00
Cash, Fred.....	80	Hunnewell Sumner.....	12 37
Cash, G. W.....	9 05	Hunnewell, A. C.....	12 70
Dyer, Leonard.....	70 80	Hodgkins, L. P.....	1 80
Dyer, G. A.....	86 00	Henry, Ernest.....	1 00
Doughty, Stephen.....	3 30	Johnson, Peter.....	32 80

Jordan, A. Scott.....	\$ 21 00	Sylvester, Daniel	\$ 40 14
Jewett, T. M.....	12 40	Stanwood, G. M.....	88 00
Jordan, William B.....	3 60	Small, Charles.....	14 40
Knowles, Fred A.....	66 00	Skillin, F. A.....	60 85
Keegan, Thomas.....	1 00	Skillin, Washington	27 42
Knight, J. B.....	18 00	Skillin, L. P.....	2 20
Libby, Fred E.....	5 85	Small, David.....	2 00
Leighton, E. S.....	17 00	Sweeney, Mathew.....	37 00
Larrabee, J. F.....	12 00	Skillings, John A.....	16 80
Libby, Levi.....	4 00	Sylvester, F. O.....	13 30
Libby, A. W.....	14 80	Small, Clemons.....	1 60
Loveitt, Howard.....	2 60	Sylvester, John.....	34 00
Loveitt, Nathaniel.....	1 80	Starling, Josiah.....	20
Lyons, J. Nelson.....	7 00	Smith, Albert.....	80
Lane, George.....	4 85	Skillings, G. E.....	12 90
Loveitt, Charles.....	1 60	Staples, E. W.....	4 00
Mountfort, E. P.....	17 50	Sweetser, George.....	2 00
McKenney, Horace.....	12 89	Skillings, Charles.....	3 60
Mains, Hiram.....	5 85	Sawyer, Daniel.....	31 15
Moody, George.....	4 75	Skillin, Henry D.....	80
Moody, Albert.....	8 00	Simmons, Alton.....	3 00
Monday, George.....	2 40	Trickey, Robert.....	46 70
Manning, John.....	60	Trickey, C. P.....	23 70
McKenzie, Frank.....	1 20	Taggart, William.....	6 40
Mosley, Albert.....	3 00	Taylor, Charles.....	17 80
Mason, F. W.....	2 25	Tilton, Frank.....	7 00
McCourt, Charles.....	2 75	Tibbetts, George W.....	200 00
McKenzie, Alexander.....	1 50	Tilton, C. A. & Co.....	6 16
Nutter, F. C.....	702 65	Town Team....	276 10
Noyes, Frank	2 00	Tupper, George E.....	1 00
O'Donnell, Patrick.....	4 00	Tupper, Gideon O.....	3 20
O'Donnell, Dominick	15 20	Thompson, Nathaniel.....	20
O'Niel, Thomas.....	6 00	Underhill, Henry	7 00
Peterson, David.....	79 46	Varrell, E. A.....	68 50
Partlow, George.....	24 80	Varrell, W. E.....	14 80
Phinney, C. G.....	47 00	Woodside, Walter.....	21 00
Pettengill, Edward.....	15 40	Wentworth, William.....	61 00
Plummer, David.....	2 75	Willard, Charles... ..	77 20
Partlow, Carl A.....	1 50	Whitney, E. A.....	32 00
Pillsbury, Tobias.....	3 40	Willard, Clarence.....	2 00
Perry, Robert.....	60	Wallace, O. F... ..	9 00
Pillsbury, Arthur H.....	5 05	White, F. M.....	7 60
Peterson, Peter.....	6 00	Willard, Benjamin... ..	3 00
Parrott, Estate of J. L.....	18 00	Ward, Harold O.....	10 00
Portland Co.....	2 38	Whitney, John.....	60
Plummer, George.....	3 35	Wetherbee, C. F.....	13 00
Richardson, William.....	1 38	Willard, Caleb.....	4 00
Rines, Stephen M.....	9 80	Willard, Henry.....	1 91
Randall, Guy.....	16 80	Woodside, Ralph.....	7 00
Ray, M. S.....	19 00	Wallace, George.....	4 00
Rundlett, Estate of J. C.....	1 37	Willard, Feeman.....	2 00
Robinson, E. C.....	18 05	York, George.....	20 00
Roberts, A. F.....	3 60		

LIST OF EXPENDITURES FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

Labor, (less town team and contracts),	\$2,721 91
Gravel,	58 25
Lumber,	313 61
Stone,	30 75
Building sidewalk (contract)	50 00
Town Team,	276 10
Crushed stone,	478 25
Road machine,	200 00
Drain pipe,	61 49
Hardware,	33 07
Paint,	1 60
Building street in Willard, (contract),	40 00
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	\$4,265 03
E. D. Thompson and others, 1897 and '98,	13 01
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	\$4,278 04

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation for 1898,	\$4,000 00
Received for use of stone crusher,	160 00
Received from drains and sewers acct.,	55 00
Balance 1897, ,	88 57
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	\$4,303 57

EXPENDITURES.

For labor,	\$2,734 92
For stone, lumber and other material,	
including road machine,	1,543 12
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	\$4,278 04
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Balance,	\$25 53

CUMMINGS ROAD.

There was an unexpended balance in the Cummings Road account which has been expended for grading and rounding up that road. All material was taken from the hills on said road and the following items are for labor only.

Balance of appropriation,		\$238 35
F. A. Skillin,	\$18 00	
Frank Cummings,	102 94	
Horace McKenney,	62 41	
Washington Skillin,	2 00	
L. P. Skillin,	53 00	
	<hr/>	\$238 35

WINTER BILLS.

Account of money spent from November 1 to December 3 inclusive

Trickey, C. P.....	\$ 4 70	Barbour, John.....	\$ 4 10
Trickey, C. R.....	3 20	Cash, M. M.....	1 00
Leighton, E. S.....	3 20	Hunnewell, A. C.....	3 00
Hatch, W. W. (D. W. C.).....	4 40	Libby, A. W.....	1 00
Skillin, J. S. J.....	1 60	Cash, Walter.....	1 10
McNair, Thomas.....	1 40	Rines, Stephen.....	40
Phinney T. R.....	90	Cash, Fred'k.....	3 10
Phinney, Chas G.....	4 50	White, Fred'k.....	1 70
Allen, George W.....	2 70	Skillins, George.....	2 40
O'Donnell, George.....	2 80	Sweeney, Matthew.....	3 50
Crockett, Freeman.....	2 90	Noyes, W. H.....	1 60
Skillin F. A.....	5 10	Wilkinson, Archie.....	40
Sweetsir, George.....	2 90	O'Donnell, Dominick.....	2 00
Broad, Ephriam.....	50	Roberts, A. F.....	2 00
Wright, A. A.....	1 30	Bean, A. A.....	1 30
Nutter, F. C.....	8 00	Cash, G. W.....	50
Clemons, John.....	80	Petterson, David.....	11 83
Archibald, George.....	2 20	Dyer, G. A.....	5 00
Archibald, Robert.....	1 60	Fickett, A. W.....	1 20
Gibson, Frank.....	1 80	Jordan, Samuel.....	1 20
Smith, Isaac.....	80	Jordan, A. A.....	1 00
Hobbs, Albert.....	80	Jordan, J. Q. A.....	80
Gurney, John P.....	4 40	Hanson, E. L.....	1 20
O'Neil, Thomas.....	2 40	Whitney, George.....	1 20
Cash, H. E.....	11 76	Whitney, Edward.....	1 20
Duddy, W. E.....	2 20	Whitney, Frank.....	1 20
Boucher, James.....	11 60	Illsley, C. B.....	2 40
Cash, Wesley.....	2 00	McKenney, Horace.....	6 40
Brackett, B. B.....	2 00	McKenney, Walter.....	3 20
Cash, William.....	2 90	Cummings, Frank.....	6 00

Skillings, L. P.....	\$ 9 00	Chaplin, J. F.....	\$20 00
Skillings, Washington.....	5 20	Cook, Thomas.....	4 00
Skillings, Henry.....	2 00	Fickett, Willard.....	2 40
Trickey, Robert.....	1 00	Hoyt, J. D.....	1 60
Skillings, Robt. M.....	4 82	Lewis, J. A.....	2 20
Perry, Robert.....	1 60	Williams, William.....	1 60
Harper, W. R.....	3 00	Sawyer, William.....	1 40
Berry, John.....	2 60	Palmer, Eugene.....	2 40
Hatch, Joseph.....	60	Wilson, A.....	2 40
Lawyer, Andrew.....	1 40	Anderson, Albion.....	1 90
Cobb, Frank.....	80	Libby, Fred.....	1 60
Twitchell, E. C.....	2 10	Moody, George.....	1 20
Loveitt, Howard L.....	4 50	O'Donnell, Patrick.....	1 20
Loveitt, Charles.....	2 30	Lane, George.....	1 20
Pillsbury, G. W.....	1 90	Wetherbee, C. F.....	2 60
Foss, Charles M.....	30	Allen, George.....	1 60
Loveitt, Albert.....	1 10	McCourt, Charles.....	1 00
Loveitt, Samuel.....	1 10	Roberts, William.....	1 60
Willard, Freeman.....	60	Small, David.....	1 60
Jordan, Hiram.....	40	McCourt, Michael.....	50
Burbank, Gideon.....	6 30	Rielly, George.....	40
Sylvester, D.....	7 01	Hannaford, C. M.....	15 00
Stanwood, G. M.....	11 00	Varrell, W. E.....	3 10
Taylor, James H.....	4 80	Cushing, Geo. W.....	2 00
Partlow, Carl.....	1 90	Doughty, Geo. W.....	2 00
Reed, Henry.....	1 60	Leeman, C. H.....	1 00
Hanson, Peter.....	1 90	Weeks, Oscar.....	5 00
Harris, W. P.....	1 90	Fowler, O. C.....	3 00
Woods, Fred.....	2 40	Hannaford, R. O.....	3 00
Wass, Judson.....	1 60	Ridley, W. E.....	1 40
Robinson, E. C.....	5 60	Dyer, Leonard.....	4 00
Place, George.....	7 30	Sylvester, John.....	4 00
Cribby, John.....	40	Jewett, T. M.....	3 00
Libby, A.....	1 90	Sawyer, Henry.....	13 00
Cribby George.....	7 00	Dyer, G. H.....	60
Matthews.....	2 25	Town Team.....	48 00
Newhall.....	2 60	Lovett, J. W.....	2 00
Cobb, Thomas.....	1 30		
Newell, H. F.....	2 60		
			\$452 47

ROAD MACHINE.

The old road machine having become next to useless a new one was purchased, the old machine given in exchange as part payment.

BRIDGES.

There are nine bridges within the limits of the town, the principal one being Vaughans, and next in point of size is Long Creek, followed by Mill Creek bridge. The remainder of the bridges are about the same size. Every bridge in town, with the

exception of one, has had more or less repairs this year, one being entirely rebuilt. It appears to me that it would be for the interest of the new city of South Portland to replace these wooden bridges with iron ones as fast as rebuilding becomes necessary.

ROADS.

Probably no one knows exactly how many miles of street there is in the town, but I think thirty miles would be an under estimate. Over this large territory I have endeavored to expend the money where it was most needed. It will be seen at once that when roadbed, culverts, bridges, sidewalks, etc., are considered, that very little money is left for permanent work, repairs taking nearly all. The largest sums of money were spent for graveling Stanford and East High Streets in South Portland village, Evans Street in Pleasantdale, and Main Street from Vaughans bridge to the B. & M. R. R. tracks in Ligoniam.

I would recommend that a Daggett road rake be purchased for the use of the new city of South Portland.

SIDEWALKS.

I found the sidewalks in the several villages, except a part of Knightville, in bad condition, and the larger part of those not rebuilt this year will have to be the coming year. I have used only gravel and stone, with some ashes, in the reconstruction of walks this year. While the expense of such a walk is more than if built of wood, because sometimes three generations of old sidewalk have to be unearthed, and the hole filled up, I think they are cheaper in the end, and very much more safe to walk on than wood walks.

Very respectfully,

J. F. CHAPLIN,

Road Commissioner.

WINTER BILLS.

ACCOUNT OF MONEY SPENT FROM DEC. 3, 1898 TO FEB. 1, 1899.

Frank C. Nutter.....	\$ 2 40	Matt Sweaney.....	\$ 80
G. M. Stanwood.....	1 00	William White.....	80
F. A. Skillins.....	2 40	Dominick O'Donnell.....	1 60
D. W. Clark.....	80	W. B. Jordan.....	1 60
C. G. Phiney.....	1 60	David Petterson.....	1 08
Freeman Crockett.....	80	Henry Sawyer.....	7 20
Milton Littlehale.....	80	John Clemons.....	1 40
John B. Chase.....	40	John P. Gurney.....	3 20
Chas. Smith.....	30	Marean Heirs.....	80
J. W. Smith.....	45	Geo. Archibald.....	80
John Berry.....	45	A. Libby.....	1 00
Freeman Willard.....	40	Gideon Burbank.....	2 70
John F. Smith.....	50	Freeman Willard.....	1 50
Leroy M. Cash.....	50	John Loveitt.....	1 00
Dominick O'Donnell.....	50	Jedediah Loveitt.....	90
H. E. Cash.....	5 70	Jeremiah Loveitt.....	80
E. L. Munson.....	7 50	Samuel Loveitt.....	90
John P. Gurney.....	1 60	Chas. A. Cobb.....	40
W. E. Duddy.....	1 00	William Angell.....	70
J. H. Wilkinson.....	60	Allie Griffin.....	60
James Burns.....	40	Geo. Goold.....	70
Geo. A. Dyer.....	3 00	L. P. Hodgdon.....	70
A. W. Fickett.....	1 50	J. F. Hodgdon.....	50
Sam Jordan.....	1 50	Daniel Sylvester.....	1 80
George Whitney.....	1 50	John Berry.....	1 20
Ed Whitney.....	1 50	John Digeio.....	1 20
Frank Whitney.....	1 50	F. C. & W. B. Nutter.....	3 20
W. E. Duddy.....	80	F. C. Nutter.....	2 60
James Burns.....	80	G. M. Stanwood.....	3 20

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Very respectfully,

FRANK C. NUTTER,

Road Commissioner.

TOWN CHARGES.

James P. Allen, labor,	1897,	\$3 00
Warren W. Willard, truant officer,	“	7 50
Dr. L. S. Lombard, returns births and deaths,	“	9 25
Dr. J. W. Lowell, returns births and deaths, 1895-96-97,		19 75
James E. Hayes, dog warrants,	1897,	6 00
Wm. M. Burgess, constable,	“	19 00
Joseph Craig, constable,	“	10 00
George F. Murch, recording deeds,	“	19 60
E. C. Jordan, engineering,	“	388 25
N. and H. B. Cleaves, professional services and dis- bursements,	1897,	392 96
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies,	“	7 68
James E. Smith, truant officer,	“	10 50
D. F. Scanman, inspector of buildings,	“	23 25
Dr. J. W. Lowell, board of health,	“	44 50
Dr. J. K. P. Rogers, fumigating schoolhouses, etc.	“	71 00
Dr. S. B. Thombs, return of births and deaths, 1895-96-97,		15 50
H. H. Hay & Co., supplies for office 1898,		5 00
F. H. Hill, superintendent of schools to Mar. 18, 1898,		89 64
The Thurston Print,		192 34
Moses E. Batchelder, return of polls, stock, etc.,		16 00
W. L. Bradford, return of polls, stocks, etc.,		8 00
Wm. E. Duddy, return of polls, stocks, etc.,		15 00
Noah B. Knight, return of polls, stocks, etc.,		30 00
C. O. Barrows, copying warrants,		1 50
L. B. Decelle, copying warrants,		5 50
A. M. Grosstuck, copying warrants,		1 50
Wm. O. Fox, shipping list,		10 00
Portland Paper Box Co., supplies for office,		6 50

Portland Water Co., raising pipe, Preble street,	\$12 50
J. P. Gabrielson, keys,	1 60
Fred D. Shanning, labor and supplies,	84 35
James E. Hayes, constable,	19 00
Edwin Fowler, constable,	16 00
John T. Howell, constable,	6 00
Thos. O'Neil, constable,	18 00
David McFarland, constable,	6 00
Wm. M. Burgess, constable,	28 00
Joseph T. Shea, constable,	6 00
Mrs. Gibson, labor,	10 75
Dyer & Jose, supplies,	8 36
Loring, Short & Harmon, valuation books, blank bonds, stationery, etc.,	94 91
C. N. Trefethen, stamps for office,	4 00
Edwards & Walker, supplies,	13 32
Portland Publishing Co., advertising,	9 00
Evening Express, advertising,	2 25
James H. Harford, advertising,	174 75
Eastern Argus, advertising,	6 00
E. L. Hopkins, labor,	5 50
Noah B. Knight, for services as town clerk,	195 00
Noah B. Knight, recording vital statistics,	41 55
Gregory E. Blish, supplies,	85
James H. Harford, insurance, wharf drop,	112 50
H. D. S. Woodbury, dog warrants,	9 50
John E. Fisher, auditor,	5 00
Thos. B. Haskell, postage stamp office,	5 00
Willis F. Strout, election clerk,	5 00
C. A. Williams, election clerk,	5 00
George H. Weeks, election clerks,	5 00
William E. Allen, election clerk.	5 00
Thomas B. Haskell, sundries,	2 03
Wm. L. Bradford, supplies for office,	5 70
C. R. Woodman, repairing slate roof, town house,	7 45

George E. Johnson, labor,	\$ 6 10
J. B. Fickett & Co., roof paint,	10 01
Annie R. Williams, stenographer,	2 00
Noah B. Knight, posting warrants,	12 00
Thomas P. Place, services,	22 25
F. H. Harford, costs Fort Road case,	15 00
Edward C. Reynolds, services as moderator,	10 00
Geo. E. Watson, foreman Hose Co., services at fires Pleasantdale and Cash Corner,	67 50
M. B. Bourne, repairing slate roof, town house,	6 94
William H. Williams, labor,	11 75
A. E. Thurrill,	2 40
C. J. McDonald & Co., finish for vault,	29 50
F. P. McKenney, clock for office,	6 50
S. H. & A. R. Doten, lumber,	22 89
Knightville Hose Co., service at fire, Pleasantdale,	6 00
William E. Duddy, setting monuments,	3 00
Wm. Spear & Co., coal and wood, town office,	8 00
C. H. Batchelder, supplies,	1 50
Thos. P. Beals Co., table for town office,	7 50
Portland Ship Building Co., labor Ferry wharf,	26 02
Norman True, recording deeds,	12 20
Thos. B. Haskell, services on suit So. Portland vs. C. E.,	14 00
Stephen Scamman, " " "	14 00
David Peterson, labor,	1 08
Dr. J. H. Syphers, returns births and deaths,	7 50
Dr. F. I. Brown, " "	11 75
Dr. J. K. P. Rogers, " "	12 25
Dr. L. S. Lombard, " "	5 25
Dr. J. W. Lowell, " "	7 75
Dr. S. B. Thombs, " "	6 00
Dr. J. K. P. Rogers, Board of Health,	23 00
Thos. B. Haskell, "	10 00
Jabez Marriner, supplies,	4 82
J. C. Knapp, "	1 62

W. T. Kilborn & Co., curtains, etc., town office,	\$25 94
Con. Electric Light Co., lighting office,	1 43
L. B. Bradford, postage stamps,	3 00
D. F. Scamman, inspector of buildings,	16 65
John L. Richardson, truant officer,	17 50
John B. Chase, town agent,	2 00
John B. Chase, moderator,	1 00
Hugh F. Flynn, painting signs,	2 00
Eliza J. Pratt, lot of land for street,	200 00
William L. Bradford, sundries,	5 00
N. & H. B. Cleaves, services and disbursements,	256 00
Thomas B. Haskell, services as selectman, assessor and overseer poor,	400 00
Charles N. Trefethen, services as selectman assessor, and overseer poor,	350 00
William L. Bradford, services as selectman, assessor and overseer poor,	350 00
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	\$4,398 17
Overdrawn, 1897,	82 69
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	\$4,480 86

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By appropriation,	\$3,500 00
Cash from railroad and telegraph tax,	29 13
“ tax deeds sold,	50 47
“ state refunded account dog licenses,	262 64
“ rent of Masonic Hall, 1898,	50 00
“ revenue stamps and recording deed,	2 57
“ People’s Ferry Co., rent three years,	3 00
“ Judge McManus, fine bicycle riding on sidewalk,	2 00
“ road commissioner,	50
“ licenses, bowling alley, victualer and pool tables,	28 00
Eliza J. Pratt, deed for land taken for street,	200 00
Overdrawn,	352 55
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	\$4,480 86

REPAIRS ON SEWERS AND DRAINS.

Portland Foundry, fittings Stanford street sewer,	1897,	\$ 14 64
George W. Cash, labor, Cash Corner drain,	“	14 87
Wm. Lucas, bricks, Pleasantdale drain,	“	10 80
E. Corey & Co., steel, Skunks Hill drain,	1895,	5 84
George Archabald, flushing sewer,	1898,	2 60
E. L. Hopkins, labor,	“	6 85
W. A. Skinner, labor,	“	2 00
Albert Mosley, labor,	“	2 00
Berlin Mills Co., lumber,	“	16 20
J. A. S. Dyer, pipe,	“	44 76
Edwin Fowler, serving sewer assessments,	“	7 00
G. H. Chandler, labor,	“	3 00
Preston A. Longley, labor and supplies,	“	3 75
E. H. Dyer, labor,	“	6 00
W. H. Williams, labor,	“	1 95
A. H. Pray, labor,	“	2 00
Boucher & Turner, labor,	“	1 50
C. T. Talbot, labor,	“	6 00
J. L. Richardson, labor,	“	8 70
Portland Publishing Co., printing,	“	1 87
S. A. Woodbury, pipe,	“	19 20
Cole Bros., sundries,	“	2 25
Portland Ship Building Co., repairs ferry slip,		174 29
Transferred to road and bridge acct. by orders drawn,		55 00
Balance Feb. 1, 1899,		96 35
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		\$509 42
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By appropriation,	1898,	\$500 00
Balance,	1897,	6 17
Cash from C. A. Tilton, broken pipe, Stanford street sewer,	“	3 25
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		\$509 42

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

So. Portland coupons,	\$2,525 00	By appropriation,	\$3,000 00
Interest on So. Portland notes,	700 33	Balance, 1897,	110 99
Old town C. E. coupons,	220 00	Premium on bonds sold,	510 00
Interest old town C. E. notes,	113 60	Interest on deposits,	139 65
Balance, 1898,	201 71		<u> </u>
	<u> </u>		\$3,760 64
	\$3,760 64		

WINTER AND SPRING BILLS, 1897-98.

To balance overdrawn, 1897,	\$ 122 89	By appropriation, 1888,	\$1,500 00
Dyer & Jose,	3 60	Balance overdrawn, 1898,	489 74
J. F. Merriman, collector, highway surveyor's bill,	1,863 25		<u> </u>
	<u> </u>		\$1,989 74
	\$1,989 74		

COLLECTOR'S COMMISSIONS.

To J. F. Merriman, part commission, 1897,	\$ 472 00	By balance, 1897,	\$ 307 88
To J. F. Merriman, part commission, 1898,	300 00	Appropriation, 1898,	800 00
Balance, 1898,	335 88		<u> </u>
	<u> </u>		\$1,107 88
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MEMORIAL DAY.

To M. A. Hanna, quarter-master,	\$125 00	By appropriation, 1868,	\$125 00
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DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

To balance overdrawn, 1897,	\$ 98 12	By appropriation, 1898,	\$500 00
J. F. Merriman, collector,	657 03	Balance overdrawn, 1898,	255 15
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	\$755 15		\$755 15

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To J. S. Fickett, salary.....	\$ 500 00	By appropriation, 1898.....	\$ 500 00
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CLAIM OF JOHN M. JEFFORDS.

To injuries to wife of John M. Jeffords.....	\$ 200 00	By appropriation, 1898.....	\$200 00
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WATER PAYMENTS.

Standish Water & Construction Co.....	\$1,590 00	By balance 1897.....	\$ 40 00
To balance 1898.....	50 00	appropriation 1898.....	1,600 00
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	\$1,640 00		\$1,640 00

REDUCTION OF TOWN DEBT.

To balance 1898.....\$5,000 00 | By appropriation, 1898.....\$5,000 00

HYDRANT "SKUNK'S" HILL.

To balance.....\$ 100 00 | By appropriation, 1898.....\$ 100 00

SMITH STREET, WILLARD.

To B. F. Woodbury, land		By appropriation 1898.....	\$ 400 00
damages.....	\$ 100 00		
E. C. Jordan, engineer...	21 00		
Balance.....	279 00		
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	\$400 00		\$400 00

OVERLAYS AND ABATEMENTS.

J. F. Merriman, Col. 1897....	\$ 982 84	By balance, 1897.....	\$ 128 97
" " 1898....	293 05	Overlays and additions..	1,405 38
Balance 1898.....	258 46		
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	\$1,534 35		\$1,534 35

WATER PAYMENTS (MIDDLE STREET).

Standish Water & Construction Co., contract 1898..\$1,500 00 | By appropriation 1898.....\$1,500 00

TREASURER'S SALARY.

To J. Calvin Knapp.....\$300 00 | By appropriation.....\$300 00

CUMMINGS ROAD.

To L. P. Skillin.....	\$ 53 00	By balance 1897.....	\$238 35
Horace McKenney.....	64 10	Cash refunded from Horace	
F. P. Cummings.....	102 94	McKenney.....	\$ 1 69
Washington Skillin.....	2 00		
Frank Skillin.....	18 00		
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	\$240 04		\$240 04

STANFORD STREET SEWER.

Cost of sewer as per report of Selectmen, 1897.....	\$2,901 27
Paid E. C. Jordan, engineer, 1897.....	179 00
" plan, 1898.....	8 00
J. H. Harford, printing notices, 1898.....	6 00
Edwin Fowler, serving notices, 1898.....	9 00
Assessors, assessing sewer, 1898.....	6 00
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Appropriation, 1897.....	2,600 00
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Cost of sewer.....	\$3,109 27
Overdrawn in 1897 and 1898	\$509 27

STATE OF MAINE.

S. S. Rich & Son, interment of	Rec'd on acct. of J. S. Clark...	\$35 00
J. S. Clark.....	Due on acct. of John H. Ham..	35 00
Edward Duddy & Son, inter-		
ment of John H. Ham.....		
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		\$70 00
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		\$70 00

Old Sidewalk and Sewer Assessments.

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To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$145 38 | By bal. due from abutters, \$145 38

School Street Sidewalk.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$14 25 | By bal. due from abutters, 14 25

Preble Street Sewer.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$119 92		Received from abutters,	\$ 12 74
		Bal. due from abutters,	107 18
			\$119 92

Grand Street Sewer.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$272 94		Received from abutters,	\$ 58 69
		Abated error in assmt.,	29 34
		Due from:	
		Alfred Thrasher,	29 34
		Fred S. Jewett,	58 69
		Chas. Allen,	44 01
		Wm. Rich,	52 87
	\$272 94		\$272 94

Preble Street Sewer, (Extension '96.)

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$109 44		Received from abutters,	\$ 59 70
		Due from:	
		David Upton,	24 87
		Geo. W. Parker,	24 87
	\$109 44		\$109 44

West B Street Sewer.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$ 57 60		Received from abutters,	\$ 7 20
		Due from:	
		Wm. Mabury heirs,	43 20
		Wm. A. Barker,	7 20
	\$ 57 60		\$ 57 60

East E Street Sewer 1896.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$ 24 29	Received from abutters, Abated,	\$ 8 55 15 74
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Mechanic Street Sewer.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$ 12 47	Due from Robert A. Kennedy,	\$ 12 47
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West High Street Sewer.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898, \$ 27 80	Received from abutters,	\$ 27 80
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Stanford Street Sewer, 1898.

To cost of sewer, \$3,109 27	By town's proportion,	\$1,554 94
	Received of abutters,	242 88
	Due from:—	
	Johnson Wm. E.,	25 85
	“ “	28 62
	Haley P. O.,	28 50
	Oliver S. D.,	28 27
	Nelson Lizzie,	26 40
	“	26 17
	Coggswell Benj. W.,	25 94
	Leonard E. H.,	25 71
	MacDonald N. C.,	28 49
	Varnum Mrs. E. W.,	30 76
	Chalmers Annie B.,	41 36
	Hannaford Mary E.,	36 19
	Harford F. H.,	102 36
	Emery D. heirs,	51 18
	Waterhouse J. W. heirs,	51 18
	Kincaid D. A.,	101 46
	Hubbard Louise H.,	91 77
	Brooks Minnie A.,	27 45
	“	24 40
	Werner Chas. A.,	22 75
	Maney Mrs. Jas. A.,	49 22
	Richardson Mrs. Bennetta,	27 45
	Osgood Abram heirs,	27 45
	MacDonald Geo. F.,	27 45
	“	27 45
	Beals Julia B.,	27 45
	Coffin Chas. S.,	27 45
	Doughty Stephen,	26 06
	McCusker,	34 12
	Kincaid D. A.,	33 61
	Tilton C. A.,	26 06
	Dyer Awilda,	26 06
	“	26 06
	Henley Mrs. J. B.,	26 06
	“	26 06
	Henley B. F.,	26 29
	Edwards J. H.,	22 34
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	\$3,109 27	\$3,109 27

Randall Street Sewer 1896.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898,	\$ 47 60	Received of abutters,	\$ 15 93
		Abated,	21 52
		Due from:	
		Geo. B. Richards,	10 15
	<u>\$ 47 60</u>		<u>\$ 47 60</u>

Pine Street Sewer, 1896.

To balance due Feb. 1, 1898,	\$ 67 04	Received of abutters,	\$ 57 79
		Due from:—	
		D. D. Willard,	9 25
	<u>\$ 67 04</u>		<u>\$67 04</u>

West E Street Sewer.

To cost of sewer,	\$580 11	By town's proportion,	\$290 06
		Received of abutters,	251 88
		Due from:—	
		Ephraim Dyer,	13 66
		Albion Pettengill,	13 40
		Wm. B. Haggett,	11 11
	<u>\$580 11</u>		<u>\$580 11</u>

West High Street Sewer Extension, 1898.

To cost of sewer,	\$387 81	By town's proportion,	\$193 97
		Received of abutters,	171 52
		Abated,	22 32
	<u>\$387 81</u>		<u>\$387 81</u>

COMMON SCHOOLS.

WINTER TERM 1897 TO MARCH 18, 1898.

Susie B. Starling, teaching,		\$108 39
Lelia E. Broughton, “		93 50
Mamie L. Richardson, “		55 00
Lucy F. Knight, “		76 03
Bessie C. Broughton, “		76 03
Rhoda A. Orr, “		117 41
Lydia T. Mills, “		97 06
Edna M. Lemont, “		108 38
Ethel M. Hamilton, “		101 91
Georgie Webber, “		101 91
Waynie Lowell, “		66 00
Hattie A. Hutchins, “		124 55
Alice I. Taylor, “		83 06
Charlotte B. Bolton, “		54 53
Mabel E. Parrott, “		93 52
Ida M. Mitchell, “		83 80
Joseph S. Fickett, “		161 81
Myrtie B. Copp, “	fall and winter,	257 00
Eilza W. Raud, “		76 01
Nellie W. Jordan, “		66 00
C. Mabel Rogers, “		66 00
Margaret Pillsbury, “		118 08
George F. Henley, “		123 24
Lucy I. Toothaker, “		108 38
Alice M. Sadler, “		108 46
Elizabeth A. Rowe, “		165 00
Alice J. Libby, “		88 85
Ethelyn McKenney, “		77 00

Wm. Spear Co., coal and wood,		\$ 32 00
George Waterhouse, wood,		15 75
Oasis Commandery U. O. G. C., rent,		28 90
William L. Bradford, janitor,		40 00
Ernest E. Dyer,	“	8 38
Charles Loveitt,	“	78 20
Edward Skillin,	“	8 33
John Manning,	“	25 75
James Perry,	“	8 25
Daniel J. Hines,	“	12 00
A. F. Pillsbury,	“	17 00
A. J. Doughty,	“	28 16
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies,		2 83
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		\$3,162 46
Overdrawn per report 1897,		1,198 19
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Total amount overdrawn to March 18, 1898,		\$4,360 65
Town voted to meet Deficiency on Common Schools at a special meeting held December 1, 1898, by issuing notes on two years' time for		\$4,360 65

COMMON SCHOOLS, 1898.

SPRING, FALL AND WINTER TERM TO FEBRUARY 3, 1899.

Alice I. Libby,	teaching,	\$ 24 00
Mabel E. Parrott,	“	218 26
C. Mabel Rogers,	“	200 27
Ethel M. Hamilton,	“	259 30
Hattie A. Hutchins,	“	288 76
Waynie Lowell,	“	138 00
Georgie Webber,	“	259 36
Charlotte B. Bolton,	“	221 90
Frank H. Hill,	“	147 05
Margaret Pillsbury,	“	300 24

Eliza W. Rand,	teaching,	\$193 47
Susie B. Starling,	“	275 86
Lelia E. Broughton,	“	229 50
Mamie L. Richardson,	“	169 00
Lucy P. Toothaker,	“	275 86
Bessie C. Broughton,	“	159 77
Luey F. Knight,	“	187 42
Lydia T. Mills,	“	247 04
Edna M. Lemont,	“	275 80
Millie W. Jordan,	“	161 85
Myrtie S. Copp,	“	108 00
Alice M. Sadler,	“	275 85
Ida M. Mitchell,	“	226 26
Rhoda A. Orr,	“	329 38
George F. Henley,	“	494 10
Alice I. Taylor,	“	328 16
Elizabeth A. Rowe,	“	420 00
Alice G. Dodge,	“	200 00
Ethelyn McKenney,	“	161 00
Jennie B. Wardsworth,	“	193 50
Charles E. Gurney,	“	216 00
M. McClintock,	“	20 73
Olive G. Flagg,	“	15 00
John Manning,	janitor,	25 00
H. H. Carter,	“	4 50
A. J. Doughty,	“	174 55
Charles Loveitt,	“	59 00
Edward H. Skillin,	“	16 66
Daniel J. Hines,	“	12 00
Ernest W. Hamilton,	“	17 00
William L. Bradford,	“	110 00
Leon W. Dyer,	“	18 38
Ernest E. Dyer,	“	8 33
Edward Coffey,	“	7 42

Arthur M. Small,	janitor,	\$20 00
Frank M. Taylor,	“	16 66
Edward Thomas,	“	4 37
Ira Eggett,	“	4 37
Cyrus Rundlett,	“	23 46
Cole Bros.,	rent,	18 00
Oasis Commandery, U. O. G. C.,	rent,	52 45
C. M. Rice & Co.,	supplies,	78
Wm. Spear Co.,	coal and wood,	360 96
F. W. Jordan & Co.,	coal and wood,	189 32
George Waterhouse,	wood,	49 75
David L. Jones,	supplies,	1 96
Cole Bros.,	“	2 99
George F. Stevens,	trucking,	1 75
Wm. L. Richardson,	“	1 50
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	supplies,	1 56
Cash Bros.,		1 76
Joseph S. Fickett,		9 51

\$8,434 68

Balance February 1, 1899,

1,959 07

10,393 75

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By appropriation,	\$6,000 00
state fund and mill tax,	4,279 35
tuition, town of Cape Elizabeth,	114 40

\$10,393 75

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

R. A. Parker,	teaching,	\$976 51
Gracia B. Prescott,	“	463 24
Alice G. Dyer,	“	211 76
Mary H. Perkins,	“	211 68
Arthur W. Robinson,	janitor,	30 00
Thomas P. Place,	“	111 00

Harper Bros.,	supplies,	\$ 5 60
Fred D. Shanning,	“	5 95
C. M. Rice Paper Co.,	“	2 40
Tucker Printing Co.,	“	15 25
T. H. Castor & Co.,	“	17 28
Leach, Shewell & Co.,	“	20 00
Sibley & Ducker,	“	5 25
Jabez Marriner,	“	1 49
F. L. Shaw, filling diplomas,		7 70
George W. Green, sawing wood,		3 50
William Spear Co., coal and wood,		112 00
Harry S. Jordan, wood,		8 00
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		\$2,208 61
Balance due, Feb. 1, 1899,		528 83
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		\$2,737 44

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By appropriation,	\$1,800 00
Balance due Feb. 1, 1898,	318 78
State aid to Feb. 1, 1899,	375 00
Tuition town Cape Elizabeth,	243 66
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	\$2,737 44

TEXT BOOKS.

W. J. Haskell, trucking, 1897,	\$ 7 05
Ginn & Co., books, 1898,	273 34
Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies, 1898,	20 62
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies, 1898,	9 00
American Book Co., supplies, 1898,	97 87
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	\$407 88
Overdrawn, 1897,	68 05
Balance, Feb. 1, 1899,	24 07
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	\$500 00

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By appropriation, \$500 00

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES.

William L. Bradford, labor,	1897,	\$ 9 49
William L. Bradford, “	1898,	17 07
Charles Loveitt, “	“	12 35
F. S. Woods, “		5 86
J. H. Duffy, “		15 32
G. W. Doughty, “		51 29
Joseph A. Craig, “		30 10
Richard S. Sawyer, painting,		40 00
A. J. Doughty, labor,		21 35
Freeman Willard, “		14 91
Simeon Walton, labor and supplies,		91 76
Mrs. Moore, labor,		3 00
Annie C. Anderson, labor,		8 20
Alvah G. Moore, labor and supplies,		11 49
The Sanitary Co., removing vaults,		50 00
Ann Black, labor,		6 00
J. L. Richardson, “		13 00
Fred D. Shanning, labor and supplies,		85 48
C. A. Dilton & Co., “ “		86 60
C. P. Trickey, “ “		22 40
Norman H. Cook, “ “		72 60
John T. Alexander, “ “		12 28
Mr. C. G. Dyer, “ “		70
J. S. Fickett, “ “		7 12
Jabez Marriner, supplies,		2 40
John Manning, labor,		1 00
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		\$ 691 77
Overdrawn, 1897,		87 68
Balance, Feb. 1, 1899,		235 53
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		\$1,014 98

By appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Cash from rent of vestry, Pleasantdale schoolhouse,	14 98
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	\$1,014 98

SCHOOL APPLIANCES—APPARATUS AND INSURANCE.

Thomas P. Beals Co., supplies,	\$65 65
Joseph S. Fickett and others, census,	43 56
Joseph S. Fickett, sundries,	5 06
James H. Harford, printing,	6 50
James H. Harford, insurance,	276 50
Prentiss Loring & Son, insurance,	29 70
Harford & Mapes, printing,	1 50
J. L. Hammett & Co., supplies,	67 08
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	495 55
Balance Feb. 1, 1899,	704 45
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	\$1,200 00
By appropriation,	1,200 00

UPPER PLEASANTDALE (SCHOOLROOM).

Norman H. Cook, labor,	\$333 30
Thomas P. Beals Co., supplies,	132 65
Johnston & Bailey, supplies,	8 00
John T. Alexander, labor,	28 00
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	\$501 95
By appropriation 1898,	\$500 00
overdrawn,	1 95
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	\$501 95

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

ALMSHOUSE.

We desire to call the attention of the incoming city government to the advisability of at once taking some action as to the care of those unfortunate ones who need our assistance. The present Almshouse is not adequate to meet the needs of the poor without being enlarged and made more convenient. And the city should carefully consider the best and most feasible plan to meet the growing needs in this department. We are now supporting a large number of poor outside the Almshouse at an expense which could greatly be reduced if a suitable building was provided for them. We have in the insane hospital twelve patients, at an annual cost of over \$1,700 per year. Fifty per cent of them could be supported at a great saving to the taxpayers, and at the same time add to the comfort and happiness of those who appeal to our feelings and sympathy by promptly meeting this problem, and taking such action as will at once relieve the city of the onerous burden that weighs upon them.

We retained the services of Mr. Almon F. Jordan and wife, and the inmates have been well cared for, and Mrs. Jordan has proved an efficient and capable matron.

During the year two of the inmates have died, John H. Coley, August 31, 1898, aged 83; Charles A. Meserve, September 7, 1898, aged 69.

There are now at the Almshouse George S. Cash, John Cuniff, Harriet Hatch, Ann Douglass, Hester Brown, Maria Willard and Fannie Willard. Gretta M. Thompson was at the Almshouse sick for three months; she is now able to maintain herself.

OUT POOR.

We found at the beginning of the year that quite a number who had been receiving aid from the town were capable of maintaining themselves, and those that we cut off have made no further complaint to us. In other cases for out door help we reduced the allowance, making quite a saving to the town. We have paid outstanding poor bills for the years 1895-97, aggregating \$1,081.73.

Dr. L. S. Lombard was appointed town physician for one year at an annual salary of \$74.00. We have found him always ready to visit the poor, and do all he could to relieve their suffering, and kindly attend to their wants. His year expires on April 1, and we would recommend a city physician in the future.

ALMSHOUSE.

Almon F. Jordan, service as keeper,	\$249 96
Almon F. Jordan, supplies,	93 38
W. W. Barnes, “	29 65
George C. Mountfort, “	58 71
Dyer & Jose, “	71 32
Jabez Marriner, “	43 47
George Stevens, “	92 37
Wm. E. Dyer, “	65 77
Knapp Bros., “	63 84
Robert D. Fickett, milk 1897,	6 97
Robert D. Fickett, milk 1898,	41 44
Dyer & Jose, sleds,	55 00
C. A. Bond, team supplies,	4 05
Elbridge Matthews, team grain,	129 67
Kendall & Whitney, tools and seed,	31 95
Hooper, Son & Leighton, furniture, etc.,	18 55
Milliken, Cousins & Short, clothing,	8 00
J. S. Hannaford, hay,	40 18
Rines Bros. & Co., clothing,	6 27

Wm. Spear Co., coal,	\$64 00
Fred D. Shanning, supplies and repairs,	13 98
J. F. Bond, supplies,	21 25
S. S. Rich & Son, interment John H. Colley,	23 00
Berlin Mills Co., lumber,	4 46
James A. Fullam, repairs,	4 70
Boucher & Turner, shoeing and repairs,	33 11
S. H. Colesworthy, supplies,	2 59
C. A. Tilton & Co., repairs,	3 93
John Abbott, labor,	6 00
Daniel P. Anthoine, rent,	192 50
Daniel P. Anthoine, hay,	62 62
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	\$1,540 69
Balance February 1, 1899,	63 11
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	\$1,603 80

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By appropriation, 1898,	\$1,000 00
Balance due February 1, 1898,	161 70
By Roads and Bridge acct., highway labor town team,	276 10
Winter and Spring acct., 1897 and 1898,	30 00
labor for Trustees Masonic Lodge,	2 00
due from highway work to February 1, 1899,	48 00
supplies on hand, February 1, 1899,	86 00
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	\$1,603 80

TOWN TEAM ACCOUNT.

EXPENSE.

Dyer & Jose, sleds,	\$ 55 00
C. J. Bond, repairs,	4 05
J. F. Bond, repairs,	21 25
James A. Fullam, repairs,	4 70
E. Matthews, grain,	129 67
J. S. Hannaford, hay,	40 18

D. P. Anthoine, hay,	\$62 62
Boucher & Turner, shoeing and repairs,	33 11
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	\$350 58
Balance Feb. 1, 1899,	40 52
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	\$391 10

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By road and bridge acct. from Apr. 1, 1898, to November 1, 1898,	\$276 10
Highway work, 1897 to 1898, Apr. 1,	30 00
due highway work, winter 1898 and 1899, to Feb. 1,	48 00
supplies on hand, Feb. 1, 1899,	35 00
cash from Trustees of Masonic Lodge, labor,	2 00
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	\$391 10

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY AT ALMSHOUSE, 1898.

10 mattresses,	13 pillows,
6 chamber sets,	28 pillow cases,
3 cot beds,	20 sheets,
1 iron bedstead,	2 table cloths,
10 pairs blankets,	4 roller towels,
10 comforters,	10 hand towels,
7 spreads,	4 dish towels,
1 dining room table,	2 milk cans.
1 kitchen table,	1 coffee pot,
1 sitting room table,	2 tea pots,
6 mirrors,	2 baking tins,
1 clock,	2 spiders,
1 lounge,	2 jugs,
2 bureaus,	6 irons,
2 rocking chairs,	1 dozen cups and saucers,
6 cane seat chairs,	1 dozen plates,
18 dining chairs,	2 bowls,

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| 2 woolen carpets, | 2 large nappies, |
| 1 oil cloth carpet, | 1 large platter, |
| 6 straw carpets, | 3 large firkins, |
| 4 stoves, | 1 molasses barrel, |
| 1 kitchen range and furnishings, | 1 oil barrel, |
| 1 clothes horse, | 7 yards unbleached cloth, |
| 1 clothes wringer, | 15 yards bleached cloth, |
| 3 wash tubs, | 8 pounds lard, |
| 2 wash boards, | 2 " coffee, |
| 1 hanging lamp, | 6 " butter, |
| 2 bracket lamps, | 300 " pork, |
| 5 hand lamps, | 40 bushels potatoes, |
| 1 knife box, | 1½ barrels flour, |
| 11 knives and forks, | 10 gallons oil, |
| 1 butcher knife, | 10 quarts pickles, |
| 1 carving set, | 10 bars soap, |
| 12 teaspoons, | 1 bushel meal, |
| 5 dessert spoons, | 2 peck beans, |
| 1 cooking spoon, | 1 bread pan, |
| 1 wash basin, | 2 tin dippers, |
| 2 tin pails, | 1 dish pan, |
| 3 tin pans, | 2 pails, |
| 1 work wagon, | 2 horses, |
| 1 monkey wrench, | 1 saw, |
| 1 potatoe hoe, | 1 garden rake, |
| 2 forks, | 2 shovels, |
| 1 sled, | 1 shoat, |
| 1 pair double harness, | 60 hens, |
| 2 horse blankets, | 5 cords manure, |
| 1 curry comb, | ½ ton hay, |
| 1 brush, | 2 bushels corn, |
| 2 cards, | 1 plow, |
| 2 halters, | 1 harrow, |
| 2 surcingles, | 1 cultivator, |
| 1 scythe and snath, | 1 cabinet. |

OUT POOR.

Ellen J. Allen, board,	1897,	\$ 6 00
Dennis Hines, medical attendance,	“	4 50
John Black, “ “	“	16 00
Mrs. John Black, “ “	“	39 50
John McGowan, “ “	“	17 79
Geo. W. Taylor, “ “	“	125 50
Mrs. Edgar Littlejohn “ “	“	9 00
Mrs. Adeline Ham, supplies,	“	6 70
Willard S. Frye, rent,	“	6 58
Anthony Rankin, medical attendance and supplies, 1895-96,		39 81
Joseph H. Field, medical attendance and supplies, 1895-96,		15 95
Olive G. Fickett, board City Hospital,	1895	4 86
Thomas L. Cameron, supplies,	1895-96	26 05
Mary E. Stanton, medical attendance,	“	4 85
Annie Hayes, board and medical attendance,	“	90 00
Daniel D. Dyer, medical attendance,	1895,	7 00
Wm. C. Dyer, supplies,	1896,	21 00
Wm. C. Cameron, board and medical attend- ance,	“	35 00
James E. Keazer, board,	1897,	17 50
Wm. H. Grannel, “	“	15 00
Mary J. Crane, board City Hospital,	“	149 50
Abbie A. Weymouth, hospital, Aug. 31 to Nov. 30, 1897,		53 17
John F. Bahe, “ “	“ “	32 45
Wm. H. Haskell, “ “	“ “	30 45
Emerson Brown, “ “	“ “	30 31
Arthur F. Roberts, “ “	“ “	29 35
Annie M. Mospon, “ “	“ “	33 05
Wm. Goth, “ “	“ “	35 15
Robert C. Dyer, “ “	“ “	31 97
Eugenia F. Miller, “ “	“ “	42 25

Chas. B. Proctor, hospital Aug. 31 to Nov. 30, 1897,	\$	47	76
Martin W. Burke, " " " "		29	39
Helen M. Hamilton, " " " "		23	34
Wilson Webber, board, 1898,		114	55
Ellen J. Allen, " "		20	00
Chas. A. Meserve, " "		16	80
Daniel Small, " "		242	00
Mrs. Richard Bassage, supplies, " "		80	50
John McGowan, " "		60	89
Leslie McFarland, " "		7	00
Geo. W. Taylor, " "		89	97
Mrs. Geo. Robinson, " "		111	13
Mrs. Joshua Cook, " "		159	26
Thomas Lee, " "		124	00
Joseph Rankin, " "		94	00
Mary E. Hayes, " "		4	00
Mrs. Adeline Ham, " "		35	81
Mrs. John Black, " "		177	29
Mrs. Edgar Littlejohn, " "		148	73
Anthony Rankin, " "		119	46
Mrs. Catherine Cameron, " "		16	00
Frank Lukes, " "		84	12
Mrs. Duncan Moore, " "		20	00
Mrs. Mary J. Crane's child, " "		15	00
Mrs. J. Hines, " "		9	25
Frank P. Hanson, " "		23	00
Hiram Edgett, medical attendance and supplies, " "		102	08
Hannah Webber, interment, " "		3	50
John E. Black, " "		35	00
Ida Northrup, board, " "		21	00
Mrs. Mary J. Crane, " "		264	51
James E. Keazer, " "		86	44
Stephen J. Murphy, care at hospital, " "		94	12
Dr. L. S. Lombard, salary to Feb. 1, 1899,		61	65

Mrs. Rufus McKenney, board,	1898,	\$ 8 00
Mrs. Patrick Burgess, supplies,	“	18 70
C. A. Simmonds, “	“	6 05
Fred Shaw, “	“	12 00
Daniel D. Dyer, medical attendance,	“	4 65
Inez Woodside, “ “	“	11 75
Mrs. Henrietta Heatly, supplies,	“	15 00
A. A. Weymouth, hospital, Nov. 30, '97, to Nov. 30, '98,		175 61
John F. Bahe, “ “	“	136 51
Wm. H. Haskell, “ “	“	142 25
Emerson Brown, “ “	“	133 92
Annie M. Mospon, “ “	“	132 17
Wm. Goth, “ “	“	137 20
Robert C. Dyer, “ “	“	157 67
Arthur F. Roberts, “ “	“	133 54
Eugenia F. Miller, “ “	“	137 30
Chas. B. Proctor, “ “	“	132 70
Martin W. Burke, “ “	“	127 01
Helen M. Hamilton, “ “	“	134 09
James E. Keazer, “ “	“	16 36
Deficiency of 1897,		1,375 07
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		\$6,665 34

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By appropriation for deficiency 1897,	\$1,375 07
By appropriation,	3,000 00
Cash city of Portland, 1895-6 and 7-8,	513 74
Cash town of Phippsburg, 1897,	20 70
Cash town of Harpswell, 1897-98,	19 74
Cash on account Ida Northrup,	10 00
Cash on account C. A. Simmonds,	3 00
Due from town of Buxton,	23 00
Overdrawn, 1898,	\$1,700 09
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	\$6,665 34

LIST OF TOWN BOOKS IN VAULT IN SELECTMEN'S
OFFICE, FEBRUARY 1, 1899.

- Acts and Resolves 1860 to 1898, except year 1885.
 Maine Reports, Nos. 60 to 91.
 Maine Digest, 1820 to 1897.
 Maine Digest, Vols. 69 to 81, Coffin's Supplement.
 Maine Digest, Vols. 1 to 88, Savage.
 Laws of Maine, Vols. 1, 2, 3.
 Revised Statutes of Maine, 1841, 1857, 1883; 1863 missing.
 Freeman's Supplement.
 Mass. Laws, Vols. 1 and 2.
 Adj.-General's Report, 1863-66.
 Town of Cape Elizabeth Reports, bound from 1855 to 1894
 inclusive, in two volumes.
 Valuation Books of Old Town of Cape Elizabeth, from 1846
 to 1894 inclusive, except year 1859.
 Valuation Books of South Portland from 1895 to 1898
 inclusive.
 Old town treasurer books back in 1780.
 Treasurers' books down, including 1898.
 Record book of town bonds and notes issued.
 Journal for 1895-98.
 Book of Division of Tax Deeds—sewer and sidewalk assess-
 ments between South Portland and Cape Elizabeth.
 Also a large lot of miscellaneous books belonging to the old
 town and town of South Portland.

LIST OF HYDRANTS AND DRINKING FOUNTAINS,
AND WHERE LOCATED IN SOUTH PORTLAND.

ORIGINAL CONTRACT.

- 1 Brown Street, opposite Dawson's.
- 2 Brown Street, at Cash Corner.
- 3 Brown Street, near Church.

- 4 Brown Street, opposite Lincoln.
- 5 Cottage Road, corner Church.
- 6 Cottage Road, corner West Broadway.
- 7 Cottage Road, corner Village Road.
- 8 East High, corner Preble.
- 9 East High, corner Sawyer.
- 10 West High, near cycle factory.
- 11 Elm, corner Chestnut, Pleasantdale.
- 12 Elm, corner Chapel, Pleasantdale.
- 13 Elm, corner Atlantic Ave., Pleasantdale.
- 14 Elm, corner Palmer.
- 15 Fourth, opposite Atwood Lead Co.
- 16 Fourth, corner Maine, Ligonیا.
- 17 Fourth, corner North.
- 18 Front, corner Stanford.
- 19 Front, corner Sawyer.
- 20 Front, corner Dyer.
- 21 Front, opposite J. Willard's.
- 22 Main, corner A, Knightville.
- 23 Main, corner B, Knightville.
- 24 Main, corner C, Knightville.
- 25 Main, corner D, Knightville.
- 26 Main, corner E, Knightville.
- 27 Main, junction School and Shore Road.
- 28 Main, opposite Simon Loveitt's.
- 29 Main, at Cottage Road.
- 30 Ocean House Road, corner Summer.
- 31 Ocean House Road, near Village Road.
- 32 Preble, junction Front.
- 33 Preble, opposite Henley.
- 34 Preble, corner E. Broadway.
- 35 Preble, opposite Summit.
- 36 Preble, opposite Beach.
- 37 Pleasant, corner Sawyer.
- 38 Pine, corner Pleasant.

- 39 Summer, junction Evans and Brown.
- 40 Summer, opposite Hill and Hoyt.
- 41 Summer, corner Elm.
- 42 Sawyer, near Harford Place.
- 43 Sawyer, corner Broadway.
- 44 Stamford, corner Jefferson.
- 45 Stamford, opposite Woodbury.
- 46 Shore Road, corner Angell Ave.
- 47 Westbrook, opposite Larrabee's.
- 48 Westbrook, corner Brown.
- 49 West High, Front and Pine.
- 50 West High, opposite B.

NEW UNDER CONTRACT.

- 1893, 51 Sawyer and High.
- 52 West High, corner Dyer.
- 53 Main, opposite Strout's, Willard.
- 54 Main, opposite Carter's, Willard.
- 55 Main, opposite Meaher, Willard.
- 56 Preble, opposite Hill's, Willard.
- 57 Main, opposite Harrington, Willard.
- 1895, 58 Barren Hill, opposite Buzzell.
- 1896, 59 Barren Hill, corner Anthoine.
- 60 Willard Ave.
- 61 Ocean House Road, corner Mariner.
- 62 Village Road, corner Mitchell.
- 1898 63 Barren Hill Road.
- 64 Barren Hill Road.
- 65 Evans Street, corner Hill.

PRIVATE HYDRANTS.

- 1 B. & M. R. R., Mechanic, near Round House, Pleasantdale.
- 2 Fort Preble.
- 3 Fort Preble.
- 4 Fort Preble.
- 5 Fort Preble.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS.

- 1 Junction Brown and Saco Rd., Cash Corner (man and beast.)
- 2 Cottage Rd. and Ocean House Rd., Knightville “ “
- 3 Ocean Ho. Rd., near Village Rd., Town Ho. Cor. “ “
- 4 Sawyer, near High, South Portland.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS.

Report of the Assessors of the Town of South Portland for the municipal year ending February 1, 1899.

The total amount of property as valued by the Assessors and shown by the valuation book for the year 1898, both real and personal, is \$1,861,199. Number of polls 1,468. Polls pay \$3.00. Rate of taxation, \$2.42 on \$100.00.

Amount of money raised by the town of South Portland at the annual meeting held March 7, 1898, and at a special meeting held June 14, 1898.

For state tax,	\$5,609 02
county tax,	2,634 59
schools,	6,000 00
roads and bridges,	4,000 00
town charges,	3,500 00
support of poor,	3,000 00
winter and spring highway bills 1897 to 1898,	1,500 00
interest on town debt,	3,000 00
collector's commissions,	800 00
discount on taxes,	500 00
Free High school,	1,800 00
treasurer's salary,	300 00
repairs on schoolhouses,	1,000 00
Memorial Day,	125 00
water payments,	1,600 00

text books,	\$ 500 00
almshouse,	1,000 00
reduction of town debt,	5,000 00
repairs of drains and sewers,	500 00
supt. of schools salary,	500 00
John M. Jeffords claim,	200 00
water main on Middle St.,	1,500 00
finish schoolroom upper Pleasantdale,	500 00
Smith St., Willard,	400 00
deficiency out poor,	1,375 07
hydrant Skunks Hill,	100 00
school appliance, apparatus and insurance,	1,200 00
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	\$48,143 68
overlays,	1,301 34
supplemental tax,	104 04
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	\$49,549 06

ASSESSMENT.

2.42 per cent on \$1,861,199.00,	\$45,041 02
1,468 polls, at \$3.00 each,	4,404 00
Supplemental tax,	104 04
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	\$49,549 06

RECEIPTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

INCLUDING BALANCES OF 1897, PER REPORT.

Common schools :—

Appropriations,	\$10,360 65
State fund and mill tax,	4,279 35
Tuition town of Cape Elizabeth,	114 40
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	\$14,754 40

Free High school:—

Appropriation and balance,	\$2,118 78	
Tuition town Cape Elizabeth,	243 66	
State fund to Feb. 1, 1899,	375 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,737 44
Town charges,		4,128 31
Roads and bridges,		4,248 57
Out poor appropriation and receipts,	\$3,590 18	
“ “ balance due 1897,	1,375 07	
	<hr/>	\$4,965 25
Almshouse,		1,603 80
Collector's commissions,		1,107 78
Discount on taxes,		500 00
Memorial fund,		125 00
Appliance, apparatus and insurance,		1,200 00
Repairs of schoolhouses,		1,014 98
Repairs of drains and sewers,		509 42
Text books,		500 00
Winter and spring bills,		1,500 00
Superintendent of Schools,		500 00
Appropriation J. M. Jefferds,		200 00
Cummings Road,		240 04
Water payments,		1,640 00
Repairs of schoolhouse, District 3,		500 00
Appropriation water Middle St.,		1,500 00
State of Maine,		35 00
Smith Street,		400 00
Abatement and overlays,		1,534 35
Reduction of town debt,		5,000 00
Hydrant, Skunk's Hill,		100 00
Treasurer's salary,		300 00
Interest on town debt,		3,760 64
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		\$54,604 98

ACCOUNTS OVERDRAWN.

Town charges,	\$352 55	
Out poor,	1,700 09	
Discount on taxes,	255 15	
Winter and spring highway,	489 74	
Repairs schoolhouse District 3,	1 95	
State of Maine,	35 00	
Stanford St. sewer,	509 27	
	<hr/>	\$3,343 75
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		\$57,948 73

EXPENDITURES.

INCLUDING BALANCES OVERDRAWN 1897, PER REPORT.

Common schools,	\$11,597 14	
“ overdrawn 1897,	1,198 19	
	<hr/>	\$12,795 33
High school,	2,208 61	
Town charges,	4,480 86	
Roads and bridges,	4,223 04	
Out poor,	5,290 27	
“ balance of 1897, per report,	1,375 07	
Almshouse,	1,540 69	
Treasurer's salary,	300 00	
Collector's commissions,	772 00	
Discounts on taxes,	755 15	
Memorial fund,	125 00	
Appliance, apparatus and insurance,	495 55	
Repairs on schoolhouses,	779 45	
Repairs on drains and sewers,	413 07	
Text books,	475 93	
Winter and spring highway,	1,989 74	

Superintendent of Schools,	\$500 00
J. M. Jefferds,	200 00
Cummings road,	240 04
Water payments,	1,590 00
Repairs of schoolhouse Dis. 3,	501 95
Middle Street,	1,500 00
State of Maine,	70 00
Smith Street,	121 00
Abatements and overlays,	1,275 89
Stanford Street sewer,	509 27
Interest on town debt,	3,558 93
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	\$48,086 84

AMOUNTS DUE SEVERAL ACCOUNTS.

Common schools,	\$1,959 07
High school,	528 83
Roads and bridges,	25 53
Almshouse,	63 11
Collector's commission,	335 78
Apparatus, appliance and insurance,	704 45
Repairs of drains and sewers,	96 35
Text books,	24 07
Water payments,	50 00
Smith Street,	279 00
Abatements and overlays,	258 46
Hydrant, Skunk's Hill,	100 00
Reduction of town debt,	5,000 00
Interest town debt,	201 71
Repairs of schoolhouses,	235 53
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	\$9,861 89
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	\$57,948 73

ASSETS OF SOUTH PORTLAND.

Taxes of 1897, uncollected,	\$ 795 89
Taxes of 1898, uncollected,	25,630 56
Cash in treasury, Feb. 1, 1899,	3,634 51
Amt. due to date from new town of Cape Elizabeth,	10,510 32
13 schoolhouses and lots	
Town house and lot,	
Ferry wharf and landing,	
Police station and lot	
Gravel banks in highway districts 1, 3, 4, 6, and 7.	
Furniture in the several schoolhouses.	
“ “ High school.	
“ “ police station.	
“ “ almshouse.	
“ “ Town hall and office.	
Stone crusher.	
Road machine.	
Tax deeds.	

LIABILITIES OF OLD TOWN OF CAPE ELIZABETH.

Town bond, issued 1890, due 1899,	\$4,000 00
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BONDED DEBT OF TOWN OF SOUTH PORTLAND.

Town bonds issued 1895, due 1903,	\$5,000 00
“ “ “ 1895, “ 1905,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1896, “ 1901,	5,500 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1907,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1900,	2,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1902,	5,000 00

Town bonds issued 1897, due 1904,	\$5,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1906,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1908,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1909,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1910,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1897, “ 1911,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1898, “ 1913,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1898, “ 1914,	5,000 00
“ “ “ 1898, “ 1915,	750 00
	<hr/> \$68,250 00
Town note No. 6, issued 1897, due 1899,	\$2,600 00
“ “ “ 7, “ 1897, “ 1899,	1,500 00
“ “ “ 8, “ 1898, “ 1900,	2,180 33
“ “ “ 9, “ 1898, “ 1900,	2,180 32
Notes Nos. 8 and 9 issued for overdrawn school account.	<hr/> \$ 8,460 65
	<hr/> \$76,710 65
Less amount due from new town of Cape Elizabeth, their proportional part of bonds issued by town of So. Portland, to take up bonds and notes of the old town of Cape Elizabeth,	10,393 43
Debt of the town of So. Portland,	<hr/> \$66,317 22

ACCOUNT WITH NEW TOWN OF CAPE ELIZABETH.

Balance due from new town of Cape Elizabeth as per finding of joint committee, Nov. 30, 1896,	\$6,053 89
Proportional part of 1897 payments of old town debt,	2,766 89
Proportional part of 1898 payments of old town debt,	1,572 65

One-half cost of stone boundary line monuments in- cluding lettering and delivering paid in 1896,	\$ 22 50
Board of Mrs. Dyer at hospital, paid in 1896,	94 39
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	\$10,510 32

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS B. HASKELL,	}	<i>Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers Poor.</i>
CHARLES N. TREFETHEN,		
WILLIAM L. BRADFORD,		

SOUTH PORTLAND, Feb. 1, 1899.

SOUTH PORTLAND, Feb. 25, 1899.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts,
and find the same correctly kept and properly balanced.

CLARENCE A. WILLIAMS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF TREASURER

FOR 1898

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:—

GENTLEMEN—I herewith respectfully submit my report as Treasurer for the fiscal year ending February 1, 1899.

Very respectfully,

J. CALVIN KNAPP,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

J. CALVIN KNAPP, *Treasurer*, in account with the town of South
Portland.

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Inventory of treasury, Feb. 1, 1898, as follows : —

Cash in treasury,	\$ 1,267	31
13 resident tax deeds,	261	20
13 non-resident tax deeds,	1,173	96
Uncollected taxes of commit- ment to John F. Merriman, collector for 1897,	21,121	84
	\$23,824	31

Commitment of taxes to John F. Merri-
man, collector for 1898 : —

State tax,	\$ 5,609	02
County tax,	2,634	59
Town tax,	41,201	41
Supplemental,	104	04
	49,549	06

Cash receipts as follows : —

Received from state : —

State school funds for 1898,	\$4,279	35
High school fund to Feb. 1, 1899,	375	00
Railroad and telegraph tax, 1898,	29	13
Refunded on state pensions, 1898,	456	00
Refunded on dog license, 1898,	262	64
Refunded on G. A. R. burials,	70	00
	5,472	12

Received from selectmen : —

On town notes, issued temporary loans,	\$15,000	00
On town notes, issued on two years, for schools,	4,360	65
On town bonds (refunding),	4,000	00
On town bonds (funding),	6,750	00
	30,110	65

On town team labor on roads and bridges,	\$276 10	
On town team labor on highways No. 4 and 5, winter '97,	30 00	
On town team labor on Masonic lot,	2 00	
Out poor received for support,	13 00	
Resident tax deeds sold by board,	39 85	
Non-resident tax deeds sold by board,	36 00	
Rent of Masonic hall for 1898,	50 00	
Refunded on sewer and drains,	3 25	
Refunded on Cummings road,	1 69	
Refunded by road commissioner,	50	
Recording tax deed,	75	
Rent of People's Ferry (3 years),	3 00	
Stamps,	1 82	
Fine for violating by-laws, Bicycling on sidewalks,	2 00	
Town of Harpswell, out poor,	19 74	
Town of Phippsburg, out poor,	20 70	
Stone crusher as per lease,	160 00	
	<hr/>	\$660 40
Received from,		
Town clerk on dog license for 1898,	\$317 00	
Interest and costs on tax deeds taken up,	6 34	
City of Portland on out poor, 1895, '96, '97, and '98,	513 74	
Licensing Board. Licenses granted 1898,	28 00	
	<hr/>	865 08
Earnings of treasurer for year 1898: —		
Premium on bonds sold,	\$510 85	
Interest on money on deposit at interest,	139 65	
	<hr/>	650 50
Received from school committee: —		
Rent schoolhouse vestry Pleasantdale, 1898,	\$ 14 98	
Tuition to High school from Cape Eliz.,	243 66	
Tuition to common school from Cape Eliz.,	114 40	
	<hr/>	373 04

Received from sewer assessments as follows : —

Pine Street,	\$ 57 79	
Randall “	15 93	
Preble “ extension,	59 70	
Stanford “	242 88	
West H “	27 80	
West E “	251 88	
West B “	7 20	
East E “	8 55	
Preble “ old sewer,	11 60	
West H “ extension,	171 52	
Grand “	58 69	
Preble “ old sewer,	12 74	
	<hr/>	\$926 28
Total receipts,		<hr/> \$112,431 44

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By cash paid on orders of the Board, and
charged to the following accounts :—

Common school, 1897 and 1898 accts.,	\$11,552 14	
High school, 1897 and 1898 accts.,	2,208 61	
Repairs on school buildings, '97 and '98,	691 77	
Text books, 1897 and 1898,	407 88	
Roads and bridges, 1897 and 1898 accts.,	4,278 04	
Town charges, 1897 and 1898 accts.,	4,398 17	
Almshouse, 1897 and 1898 accts.,		
Orders drawn, 1898,	\$1,540 69	
Outstanding order, '97,	43 75	
	<hr/>	1,584 44
Out poor, 1897 and 1898 accts.,	5,290 27	
Winter and spring, 1897 and 1898 accts.,	1,866 85	
Sundry accounts,	8,959 53	
	<hr/>	\$41,237 70

State Treasurer :

Amount of dog licenses issued for 1898,	\$ 317 00	
“ State tax “ “	5,609 02	
“ “ pensions for 1898,	456 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,382 02
County Treasurer : —		
Amount of County tax, for 1898,		2,634 59
Coupons on So. Portland bonds,	\$2,525 00	
Notes Nos. 19, 20, So. Portland, 1896,	2,550 00	
Interest on So. Portland, 1896,	133 00	
Note No. 8, temporary loan, 1897,	2,000 00	
Interest on “ “ “	48 00	
Notes Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, temporary loan, 1898,	15,000 00	
Interest on temporary loan, 1898,	334 83	
“ outstanding notes,	184 50	
	<hr/>	22,775 33
Committed to Selectmen : —		
11 non-resident tax deeds, amt. of same,	\$115 95	
3 resident tax deeds, amt. of same,	64 05	
	<hr/>	180 00
Abatement to Treas. on tax deed Lovell Cycle Co., Assessors, 1897,		1,053 22
Paid old town Cape Elizabeth accounts as follows :		
C. E. bonds, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, due 1898,	\$4,000 00	
Coupons on bonds,	220 00	
C. E. notes, Nos. 1, 2,	2,200 00	
Interest on notes,	113 60	
	<hr/>	\$6,533 60
South Portland's proportion,	\$4,960 95	
New town Cape Elizabeth's proportion,	1,572 65	
	<hr/>	6,533 60
Total disbursements,		<hr/> \$80,796 46

By balance in treasury, Feb. 1, 1899, as follows :

11 non-resident tax deeds amt. of same,	\$1,232 77	
15 resident tax deeds, amt. of same	341 19	
Balance of tax commitment, 1897,	795 95	
“ “ “ 1898,	25,630 56	
“ cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1899,	3,634 51	
	<hr/>	\$31,634 98
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		\$112,431 44

To the Citizens and Tax Payers of the Town of So. Portland:—

In submitting my report for the fiscal year ending Feb. 1, 1899, for your careful consideration, I beg to call your attention to the “Earnings of Treasurer” for the year.

I highly appreciated the raise voted your treasurer on his salary, and by careful financiering have been able to turn into the treasury, beside premiums on bonds sold, interest earned on treasury funds \$139.65, thereby more than reimbursing the treasury the raise voted on salary.

Trusting that my financiering for the year may meet with the approval of the citizens and tax payers, and wishing success to our treasury under our new city government, I remain,

Yours very truly,

J. CALVIN KNAPP, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen: —

I herewith submit my report as Collector of the taxes of the town of South Portland.

J. F. Merriman's Account as Collector for 1897.

Bal. uncollected tax.....\$21,121 84 <hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$21,121 84		By payment.....\$20,325 95 By bal. uncollected.....795 89 <hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$21,121 84
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J. F. Merriman's Account as Collector for 1898.

To assessment State tax...\$5,609 02 " County tax.. 2,634 59 " Town tax...41,305 45 <hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$49,549 06		By payment State tax.....\$5,609 02 " County tax.... 2,634 59 " Town on acct..15,674 89 By balance uncollected.....25,630 56 <hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$49,549 06
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NOTICE.

All taxes remaining unpaid, on lands of resident or non-resident owners, for the year 1898, will, on the 16th day of October, 1899, be advertised for sale according to law for the payment of said tax due the town.

JOHN F. MERRIMAN,
Collector of Taxes, 1898.

MEMORIAL DAY, 1898.

MEMORIAL SUNDAY.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of So. Portland:

By invitation of the So. Portland Universalist society, the Veteran Association attended divine service at Union Hall, where they enjoyed one of Rev. W. M. Kimmell's characteristic, patriotic and eloquent sermons.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Again this year the Veterans encountered the inclement weather so common on this day, but the large number participating and the ardor manifested attests to a devotion to this duty that even the elements do not abate. Using barges for conveyance, Brown's Hill, Bay View and Mt. Pleasant cemeteries were visited in the order named, and 123 graves honored, as is the custom with us on this occasion. Six other soldier graves in outlying burial places were also duly marked and decorated.

At Brown's Hill the citizens gathered in considerable numbers, enhancing the decoration ceremonies with appropriate exercises in the cemetery. We regret that lack of space prevents individual, personal mention of all those who contributed to these exercises.

The veterans of Cape Elizabeth were our guests by invitation this year, partaking with us of the collation at Town Hall, and sharing with us in the decoration and cost thereof of the Soldier's and Sailor's monument.

Post-decoration literary exercises were held as heretofore in the North or Mt. Pleasant church. Rev. William Wood, of Boothbay, was orator of the day, and the discourse delivered by him was another of those patriotic, instructive lessons for which the day has become noted throughout the land. Other clergymen present made short, eloquent addresses. An innovation this year was the employment of local singers instead of the usual out-of-town quartette. The change was gratifying, both from a musical and financial standpoint.

Five times has death invaded our ranks since last Memorial Day. Comrades J. S. Clark, John H. Ham, Wm. P. Miller, Charles A. Tibbetts and Hugh Merriman, all died within the year; the two last named perishing by the loss of the ill-fated steamer Portland. Comrade Miller was buried with G. A. R. honors, and memorial services were held at the North church, Sunday, Jan. 1, for Tibbetts and Merriman.

Geo. S. Broughton, a Maine soldier in the late war with Spain, died at Chickamauga, Aug. 3, last, and was brought to this his native town for funeral services. He is buried at Evergreen, and his grave will be honored the same as that of one of our own comrades.

Our association has for several years past held its business meetings in the Knightville Hose house, a courtesy of the Hose Company warmly appreciated by us.

Submitted herewith is our Quartermaster's report, showing for what purposes the town's annual appropriation of \$125 was expended.

DANIEL E. McCANN, *President.*

NOAH B. KNIGHT, *Marshal.*

HIRAM ELLIS, *Secretary.*

MARCUS A. HANNA, *Quartermaster.*

JAMES H. TAYLOR, GEORGE F. SMALL, EDWIN FOWLER, GIDEON BURBANK, PETER MILLETT, FAIRFIELD TUTTLE,

Committee.

EXPENDITURES.

For wreaths,	\$ 31 40
flowers,	23 78
transportation,	28 00
collation, comrades and guests,	18 80
music, local quartette,	13 00
flags and markers,	7 50
oration, Rev. Wm. Wood,	5 00
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	\$127 48

MARCUS A. HANNA, *Quartermaster.*

Report of Committee on Financial Settlement with the Town of Cape Elizabeth.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of South Portland:—

Your Committee would herewith submit the following report. At the date of our last report, February 1, 1898, the adjustment of the financial affairs between South Portland and Cape Elizabeth was as follows :

South Portland vs. Cape Elizabeth, first suit, writ dated December 9, 1897; entered January term, 1898, Supreme Judicial Court. Amount claimed in writ, \$6,053.69, with interest. The case was tried at April term Supreme Judicial Court before Judge Haskell, and the Court ruled as matter of law, that upon the evidence, the plaintiff was entitled to recover, and ordered judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$6,053.69, with interest, from May 26, 1897, when demand was made for payment of the same.

This case went to the Law Court; was argued July law term, 1898, and the following decision rendered December 28, 1898 :

CUMBERLAND, SS.

Town of South Portland vs. Town of Cape Elizabeth.

Rescript, Strout J. Chapter 194 of the special laws of 1895, which divided the town of Cape Elizabeth treats South Portland, though under another name, as the old town from which the "new town" of Cape Elizabeth was set off. When part of a town is set off and incorporated as a new town, the old town, though shorn of part of its territory, still retains all remains subject to all the obligations of the original town unless otherwise provided in the act.

South Portland being treated in the act as the original town, became primarily liable for all its debts and entitled to receive its assets. The act provided that "the town debt shall be borne by said towns in proportion to the valuation of taxable property and estate within their respective territories, as taken by the assessors in April, eighteen hundred and ninety-four."

Prior to the annual meetings in March, 1897, in both towns, a committee from each had ascertained and reported to each town

at that meeting that South Portland had paid off the debts of the old town in excess of assets received, \$25,150.09, and that Cape Elizabeth's proportion of that excess was \$6,053.69. These reports were accepted by each town and no question appears to have been raised as to the accuracy of their amounts.

Under the provisions of section 3 of the act it then became the duty of Cape Elizabeth to refund to South Portland this amount and the law implies a promise on the part of Cape Elizabeth to pay it.

The town property, consisting of schoolhouses, ferry wharf and other like property, was apportioned by section 4 of the act by giving to each town what was situated within its territory. The language of the section is plain and imperative and cannot be modified by the court to meet any supposed equity. It was within the province of the Legislature to make such division. It is to be presumed that the Legislature considered all the equities.

South Portland is entitled to recover from Cape Elizabeth its proportion of debts paid by South Portland immediately after the payment. It is not obliged to wait till all the debts are paid.

The decision at nisi prius was correct.

Exceptions overruled.

Demand was made under date of June 14, 1898, and served on the town of Cape Elizabeth, June 18, 1898, for the amount due from February 1, 1898, amounting to \$2,766.89.

Second suit for above claim, writ dated June 30, 1898, entered October term, 1898, Supreme Judicial Court: claim, \$2,766 89
And interest from date of demand, 89 92

\$2,856 81

Third demand dated September 19, 1898, made on said town for amount due to the first day of August, 1898, \$1,563.02.

The above claims are bearing interest at 6 per cent. per annum.

Your Committee are pleased to report that the financial affairs which have been pending between the two towns as the result of division, are nearing a settlement; and that your Committee have always been unanimous in a fair and equitable adjustment of all matters coming before them, in accordance with the plain meaning of the act as recently interpreted by the Law Court.

THOMAS B. HASKELL,

Chairman of South Portland Committee.

R E P O R T

OF THE

Superintending School Committee

OF

SOUTH PORTLAND

Report of the Superintending School Committee of South Portland, 1898-99.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Whole number of scholars, 1,742.

COMMON SCHOOL FUND, 1898.

Town appropriation,	\$6,000 00
State fund,	4,279 35
Tuition from Cape Elizabeth and rent Vestry hall,	129 38
Total,	<hr/> \$10,408 73

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Town appropriation,	\$1,800 00
From state,	250 00
Tuition from Cape Elizabeth,	243 66
Balance from 1897,	318 78
	<hr/> \$2,612 44
Appropriation for repairs,	\$1,000 00
Appropriation for apparatus, etc.,	\$1,200 00

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED, 1899-1900.

For common schools,	\$6,500 00
High school,	1,800 00
text books,	800 00
repairs,	800 00
apparatus, etc.,	600 00
salary Superintendent,	500 00

In the report of the Superintendent, which follows, will be found a complete statement of school matters, accompanied by such recommendations as seem to him wise. The committee accept the report of the Superintendent, and join in the recommendations therein contained.

EDWARD C. REYNOLDS, *Chairman.*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the S. S. Committee and Citizens of South Portland:—

I herewith submit my report as superintendent of the schools of South Portland for the past year. I have followed the same general plan of presenting the financial condition of our schools that was used by my predecessor. The whole number of scholars registered in the common schools is 1098, the average attendance 981. The total amount available for the common schools for the year 1898 was \$10,408.73. The total amount expended to February 3, 1899, was \$8,434.68, leaving a balance unexpended on February 3, 1899, of \$1,974.05. The estimated cost of the remainder of the winter term is \$1,600, which, I think, will be sufficient to meet all bills and leave a balance of some \$300 unexpended. For a detailed account of the expenses of the common schools, you are referred to the financial report of them.

I wish to repeat and emphasize the remarks of my predecessor in regard to the efficiency and faithfulness of the teachers of our common schools. I have found them uniformly anxious to improve in their methods of teaching and to keep fully abreast of the times by seeking the aid of the many journals of education, and by attending teachers' conventions, where expert knowledge is supposed to be obtained. In this connection, I wish to state the fact that to be a successful teacher in the schools of to-day, special training is necessary, as much so as in any of the other professions. Without long experience in the schoolroom or by special preparation in some of our many normal or preparatory schools, no one should think of presenting themselves for the responsible position of teacher of youth. I would call the attention of our citizens generally to their part of their duty, so often

neglected, of often visiting the schoolroom and making themselves practically acquainted with the work being done there. Few parents actually know anything from personal observation of what their children are doing in the schools, but are content to judge of their efficiency or non-efficiency at an altogether too long a range. I know well the little attention that is likely to be given to these suggestions so often made before, but feel it a duty to impress their importance on parents especially, and leave to them the responsibility of heeding or not heeding them.

FINANCIAL—COMMON SCHOOLS.

RESOURCES, 1898.

Town appropriations,	\$6,000 00
State school fund,	4,279 35
Tuition from Cape Elizabeth and rent of Vestry Hall,	129 38
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	\$10,408 73

EXPENDITURES, 1898.

TEACHERS PAID :—

Geo. F. Henley,	\$494 10
Hattie A. Hutchins,	288 76
Charlotte B. Bolton,	221 90
Waynie Lowell,	138 00
Lelia Broughton,	229 50
Bessie Broughton,	159 77
Lucy F. Knight,	187 42
Susie B. Starling,	275 86
Lydia T. Mills,	247 04
Mamie L. Richardson,	169 00
Margaret Pillsbury,	300 24
Eliza Rand,	193 47
Mabel Parrott,	218 26
Elizabeth A. Rowe,	420 00

Lucy I. Toothaker,	\$275 86
Georgie Webber,	259 36
Alice G. Dodge,	200 00
Alice J. Libby,	24 00
Edna Lemont,	275 80
Rhoda A. Orr,	329 38
Ethel M. Hamilton,	259 30
C. Mabel Rogers,	200 27
Myrtie Copp,	107 35
Alice I. Taylor,	328 87
Nellie W. Jordan,	164 65
Ida Mitchell,	226 01
Frank H. Hill,	147 05
Alice M. Sadler,	275 85
Ethelyn McKenney,	161 00
Mildred McClintock,	20 73
Jennie B. Wadsworth,	193 50
C. E. Gurney,	216 00
Olive G. Flagg,	15 00
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	\$7,220 69

JANITORS PAID, 1898:—

W. H. Carter,	\$ 4 50
A. J. Doughty,	174 55
Chas. Loveitt,	59 00
Edward H. Skillin,	16 66
Daniel J. Hines,	12 00
Everett W. Hamilton,	17 00
Wm. L. Bradford,	90 00
Leon W. Dyer,	18 38
Ernest E. Dyer,	8 33
Edward Coffey,	7 42
Arthur M. Small,	20 00
Frank M. Taylor,	16 66
Edward Thomas,	4 37

Ira Eggert,	\$ 4 37	
Cyrus Rundlett,	23 46	
John Manning,	25 00	
Wm. L. Bradford,	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$521 70
PAID FOR FUEL, ETC. :—		
So. Portland Hose Co., rent,	\$ 18 00	
Oasis Com'd U. O. G. C., rent,	52 45	
Wm. Spear Co., coal,	360 96	
Geo. Waterhouse, wood,	49 75	
David L. Jones, supplies,	1 96	
Cole Brothers, “	2 99	
Geo. F. Stevens, trucking,	1 75	
W. L. Richardson, “	1 50	
Houghton, Mifflin Co., supplies,	1 56	
Cash Brothers, supplies,	1 76	
J. S. Fickett, “	9 51	
F. W. Jordan, coal and wood,	189 32	
	<hr/>	\$692 29
Total common school expenses,	\$ 8,434 68	
Total resources,	10,408 73	
Unexpended, Feb. 3, 1899,	1,974 05	

TEXT BOOKS.

EXPENDITURES, 1898 :

W. H. Haskell, trucking,	\$ 7 05
Ginn & Co.,	273 34
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	20 62
D. C. Heath & Co.,	9 00
American Book Co.,	97 87
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	\$407 88
Town appropriation,	\$500 00

This account is somewhat overdrawn, notwithstanding the apparent balance unexpended. Ginn & Co. and the American Book Co. both hold old books for which no credit has been given, but will be when the corresponding new ones are ordered.

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Paid W. L. Bradford,	labor, 1897,	\$ 9 49	
W. L. Bradford,	“ 1898,	17 07	
Chas. Loveitt,	“	12 35	
T. S. Woods,	“	5 86	
J. H. Duffey,	“	15 35	
Joseph A. Craig,		30 10	
Richard S. Sawyer,		40 00	
Geo. W. Doughty,		51 29	
A. J. Doughty,	labor,	21 35	
Freeman Willard,	“	14 91	
Simeon Walton,	“	91 76	
Mrs. Morse,	“	3 00	
Portland Sanitary Co.,	“	50 00	
Ann Black,	“	6 00	
J. L. Richardson,	“	13 00	
F. D. Shanning,	labor and supplies,	85 48	
C. A. Tilton & Co.,	“ “	86 62	
C. P. Trickey,	“ “	22 40	
Norman Cook,	“ “	72 60	
J. T. Alexander,	“ “	12 28	
Mrs. C. G. Dyer,	“ “	70	
J. S. Fickett,	supplies,	7 12	
Jabez Marriner,	“	2 40	
John Manning,	“	1 00	
Annie C. Anderson,	labor,	8 20	
A. G. Morse,	“	11 44	
		<hr/>	\$691 77
Appropriation,			\$1,000 00
Balance unexpended,			308 23

APPARATUS, APPLIANCES AND INSURANCE.

Paid Thos. P. Beals Co., supplies,	\$ 65 65	
J. S. Fickett and others, census,	43 56	
J. S. Fickett and others, sundries,	5 06	
J. H. Harford, printing,	6 50	
J. H. Harford, insurance,	276 50	
Prentiss Loring & Son,	29 70	
Harford & Mapes, printing,	1 50	
J. L. Hammet & Co.,	67 08	
	<hr/>	\$495 55
Appropriation,	\$1,200 00	
Amount expended,	495 55	
Balance unexpended,	704 45	

NEW ROOM ACCOUNT, UPPER PLEASANTDALE.

Appropriation,	\$500 00	
Paid Cook & Osgood,	313 00	
Thomas P. Beals Co.,	132 65	
John T. Alexander,	28 00	
Cook & Osgood,	20 30	
Johnson, Bailey & Co.,	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$501 95
Amount overdrawn,	\$1 95	

HIGH SCHOOL.

RESOURCES, 1898.

Town appropriation,	\$1,800 00
State aid,	250 00
Tuition from Cape Elizabeth,	243 66
Balance from 1897,	318 78
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Total,	\$2,612 44

EXPENDITURES, 1898.

Ralph A. Parker,	\$ 976 51	
Alice G. Dyer,	211 76	
Gracie B. Prescott,	463 24	
Mary H. Perkins,	211 68	
Harper Bros.,	5 60	
T. H. Castor,	17 28	
Leach, Shewell & Co.,	20 00	
Sibley, Ducker & Co.,	5 25	
Tucker & Co.,	15 25	
F. D. Shanning,	5 95	
Shaw Business College,	7 70	
Geo. W. Green,	3 50	
Jabez Marriner,	1 49	
Thomas P. Place,	111 00	
A. W. Robinson,	30 00	
H. S. Jordan,	8 00	
Wm. Spear Co.,	112 00	
C. M. Rice Co.,	2 40	
	<hr/>	\$2,208 61
Balance unexpended,		\$403 83

HIGH SCHOOL.

Principal, RALPH A. PARKER.*Assistants.*

MISS GRACIE B. PRESCOTT and MISS MARY H. PERKINS.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, 1898-99.

Spring term,	Whole number,	102	Average number,	94
Fall term,	“	101	“	95
Winter term,	“	95		

Average age of High school pupils, Feb. 1, 1899, 16 years,
1 month and 14 days.

GRADUATING EXERCISES—CLASS OF 1898.

MUSIC.

PRAYER.

Latin Salutatory,	B. Frank Hayden
*Address to Undergraduates,	Lucy Shannon Soule
The Dawn of the Twentieth Century,	Carl Waldron Rundlett
How Dot Heard "The Messiah," — <i>Butterworth</i> ,	Mildred Inez Henley
Song, — "The Sands o' Dee," — <i>Clay</i> ,	Miss Henrietta D. Rice
The Spanish Armada,	Hattie Littlefield Goodwin
Aerial Navigation,	George Willard White
The Morning Paper,	Mamie Jane Nimmo
The Massacre of Zoroaster, — <i>Crawford</i> ,	Ethel Inez Littlefield

Music.

† Presentation of Gifts.

Toastmaster, * Percival Hildreth Mosher.

† Genius — Candelabra,	Clara Greeley Henley
† Vain Man — Mirror,	Samuel Butterfield Libby
† Musician — French Horn,	Grace Cook Brown
† Hero — Gun,	Leroy Scammon Brackett
† Flirt — Fan,	Bessie Ethel Mosher
Song — "A Dream," — <i>Bartlett</i> ,	Miss Rice
Our Navy,	David Arthur Jones
French Recitation, { a. "Le Soleil de Ma Bretagne." b. "La Pauvre Vieille Pleura."	Florence Helena Merriman
Triumphs of Independence, — <i>Edward Everett</i> ,	George Mitchell Jordan
* Eyangeline,	Ada Cole Hannaford

Music.

* "Laddie," — <i>Anon</i> ,	Clydie Myrtle Dyer
* Class History,	Eva May Dyer
* Class Prophecy,	Isabel Scammon Brackett
* Valedictory.	Annie Edna Jordan

Music.

Presentation of Diplomas.

Class Ode.

Benediction.

* School honors. † Class honors.

CLASS ODE.

FLORENCE MERRIMAN.

Dear teachers, friends, and schoolmates all,
 We greet you here to-day,
 Where we have come to bid a last adieu,
 For brightest days in time will fade —
 They cannot last for aye,—
 But we will ever kindly think of you.

Four years we've been together now,
 In sunshine and in rain,
 Had many happy hours of toil and joy,
 In memory in the future, we
 Will live them o'er again —
 Those happy golden hours without alloy.

CHORUS.

No more days of pleasant study.
 In the quiet schoolroom here;
 No more days of joy and pleasure
 With schoolmates and teachers dear.
 As we leave here now forever,
 Knowing not what is our fate,
 Let us hope that heaven's store holds
 Only good for '98.

We will not mourn these days now gone,
 However bright they've been;
 But to the broader school of life advance;
 Where we may with unselfish thought
 "Act for ourselves" and win
 The crown that will a noble life enhance.

So now we will our voices blend
 In this harmonious song —
 The last of these, our happy, high-school days;
 And then we'll bid a fond adieu to teachers, scholars, all
 Whom we will ever cherish, love, and praise.

GRADUATES.

COLLEGE COURSE.

B. Frank Hayden.

Carl Waldron Rundlett.

LATIN — SCIENTIFIC COURSE.

Clara Greeley Henley,	Ada Cole Hannaford,
Annie Edna Jordan,	Bessie Ethel Mosher,
Percival Hildreth Mosher,	Florence Helena Merriman.
Lucy Shannon Soule.	

ENGLISH COURSE.

Grace Cook Brown,	Leroy Scammon Brackett,
Isabel Scammon Brackett,	Clydie Myrtle Dyer,
Eva May Dyer,	Hattie Littlefield Goodwin,
Mildred Inez Henley,	David Arthur Jones,
Samuel Butterfield Libby,	George Mitchell Jordan,
Mamie Jane Nimmo,	George Willard White.

At the beginning of the Fall term Miss Alice G. Dyer, who had been connected with this school for several years, resigned her position. Her resignation was accepted with regret, her efficient and conscientious work in this school being appreciated by all. The vacancy was filled by the election of Miss Mary H. Perkins of Alfred, a young lady of fine literary attainments, whose zealous and faithful work in the school has already won for her the confidence and respect of her pupils in no small degree. There has been no material change in the course of study pursued in this school the past year, but there is, however, an increasing desire on the part of many that bookkeeping and Commercial Arithmetic be given a more prominent place in the English course, and when we consider that so large a per cent of those attending this school end their schooldays here it would seem to be the part of wisdom that no effort or pains be spared to make this course as complete and practical as possible. I am pleased to report that the progress made in this school has been satisfactory, the teachers earnest and faithful in their work, the students studious and orderly in their deportment, and that no disturbing influences have arisen to hinder or mar its steady progress and usefulness. I bespeak for the school the same generous support it has received in the past, believing that our citizens generally recognize its worth and importance, and feel a just pride in its successful continuance.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

WINTER TERM 1897 TO MARCH 18, 1898,

Susie B. Starling, teaching,	\$108 39
Lelia E. Broughton, “	93 50
Mamie L. Richardson, “	55 00
Lucy F. Knight, “	76 03
Bessie E. Broughton, “	76 03
Rhoda A. Orr, “	117 41
Lydia T. Mills, “	97 06
Edna M. Lemont, “	108 38
Ethel M. Hamilton, “	101 91
Georgie Webber, “	101 91
Waynie Lowell, “	66 00
Hattie A. Hutchins, “	124 55
Alice I. Taylor, “	83 06
Charlotte B. Bolton, “	54 53
Mabel E. Parrott, “	93 52
Ida M. Mitchell, “	83 80
Joseph S. Fickett, “	161 81
Myrtie B. Copp, “	257 00
Eliza W. Rand, “	76 01
Nellie W. Jordan, “	66 00
C. Mabel Rogers, “	66 00
Margaret Pillsbury, “	118 08
Geo. F. Henley, “	123 24
Lucy I. Toothaker, “	108 38
Alice M. Sadler, “	108 46
Elizabeth A. Rowe, “	165 00
Alice J. Libby, “	88 85
Ethelyn McKenney, “	77 00
Wm. Spear Co., wood and coal,	32 00
George Waterhouse, wood,	15 75
Oasis Commandery U. O. G. C. rent,	28 90
Wm. L. Bradford, janitor,	40 00

Ernest E. Dyer,	janitor,	\$ 8 38
Charles Loveitt,	“	78 20
Edward Skillin,	“	8 33
John Manning,	“	25 75
James Perry,	“	8 25
Daniel J. Hines,	“	12 00
A. F. Pillsbury,	“	17 00
A. J. Doughty,	“	28 16
Loring, Short & Harmon,	supplies,	2 83
		<hr/> \$3,162 46
Overdrawn, as per report 1897,		1,198 19
Total amount overdrawn to March 18, 1898,		<hr/> \$4,360 65

The town voted to meet the above deficiency in the common school account of 1897, at a special meeting called for that purpose.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

TEACHERS EMPLOYED.

- No. 1. Ida M. Mitchell, entire year.
- No. 2. Alice I Taylor, Spring term; C. E. Gurney, Fall and Winter terms; Nellie W. Jordan, assistant entire year.
- No. 3. Myrtie Copp, Spring term; Jennie B. Wadsworth, Fall and Winter terms.
- No. 5. Geo. F. Henley, Principal 1st grammar, entire year; Charlotte Bolton, assistant, entire year; Hattie A. Hutchins, Principal of 2d grammar; Wayne Lowell, assistant, Spring and Fall terms; Olive G. Flagg, Winter term; Susie B. Starling, intermediate, entire year; Lydia T. Mills, intermediate, entire year; Lucy Knight, Bessie Broughton, Lelia Broughton and Mamie Richardson, primary department entire year.
- No. 6. Margaret Pillsbury, Principal grammar department entire year; Eliza W. Rand, assistant entire year; Mabel Parrott, primary, entire year.

No. 10. Ethelyn McKenney, entire year.

No. 11. Elizabeth A. Rowe, Principal of grammar school entire year; Lucy I. Toothaker, intermediate, entire year; Georgie Webber, 1st primary, entire year; Alice J. Libby, part of Spring term, and Alice G. Dodge the rest of the year of the 2d primary.

No. 12. Rhoda A. Orr, Principal of grammar school Spring and Fall terms, transferred to No. 3 in Winter term; Mabel Rogers, intermediate, entire year; Ethel Hamilton, primary, entire year.

No. 13. Frank H. Hill, Principal grammar school, Spring term; Alice I. Taylor, Fall and Winter terms; Alice M. Sadler, primary entire year.

No. 14. Edna Lamont, entire year.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

About the usual amount of repairs have been made on school buildings, as will be seen by the report under that head. I am able to report them all in fairly good condition. The brick schoolhouse at Knightville needs shingling, and the fence around the school yard will demand the early attention of the incoming school board. But the most important question it will have to meet is the providing of more school room. At the beginning of the Spring term at South Portland Village we found, as predicted by my predecessor, some thirty-five pupils without any school accommodations whatever. The second story of the South Portland Hose Company's building was leased and fitted up for that purpose. It makes a very pleasant and comfortable schoolroom. Every schoolroom in this village is now occupied to its fullest capacity. What shall be done with the increasing number of scholars here? It seems to me that the best solution of this question would be the addition of another story to the East High Street school building, as was asked for last year. This building

is a model of its kind, and is decidedly the best-equipped school building in the town. At Knightville every schoolroom is fully occupied, and the town is now leasing a small room in Oasis Hall for the accommodation of the second primary school; evidently some provision will have to be made here for the increasing number of scholars. It is predicted that the new city government, which is soon to be, may think it wise and more economical to utilize the present town building for other purposes, and to erect a suitable building at Knightville for the accommodation of the high school, with such additional rooms as the wants of the common schools of this village may require.

At the beginning of the Spring term it was found necessary to provide another schoolroom at Lower Pleasantdale. A room in the basement of the school building was fitted up as a temporary expedient, and the Spring and Fall terms held there. This room is very poorly lighted and more or less damp, and for these reasons is unfit to be occupied as a schoolroom. At the beginning of the Winter term the grammar grade here was transferred to the new room in Upper Pleasantdale, which is one of the best lighted and most convenient schoolrooms we have. All four of the rooms are now fully occupied; some provision should be made for an increase of scholars here, especially at Lower Pleasantdale. It has been suggested that the old church building might be obtained and another room provided for the primary department, which in my opinion should be located off from the Main Street, say half-way between Summer Street and the railroad. Such a location would better accommodate a larger number of the primary pupils than the present primary room does, and be free from the objection to the present room, that it is on the main street, and but a few feet from the electric cars. The school yard here is too small for the hundred or more scholars, and it is only by the constant care and watchfulness of the teachers that the smaller children are kept from harm. With a primary room provided as above suggested the schools here could

be fairly well graded, the grammar and intermediate grades in the present building and the primary in the new one. At Cash's Corner we find about one hundred scholars crowded into a room with a seating capacity of about eighty and a classroom about 6 feet by 12 feet, into which the assistant teacher, the stove, and fifteen or twenty small children are supposed to spend six hours a day, and to make good progress in their studies. Is it any wonder that more sickness prevails here amongst the children than in most of the other schools? The sanitary condition of this school building should receive the early attention of the incoming school board. The best solution of the condition of things we find here it seems to us would be to sell the present house and lot and to erect a two-story building large enough to meet the present wants, and some provision for the future. The second story need not be finished until needed. With two suitable rooms here the school could be properly graded, and we might expect far better results than are now possible. The only other school where enlarged accommodations will have to be provided for very soon is the mixed school at South Portland Heights. The room is now fully occupied, and it is only by the energy and executive ability of the teacher that the work is kept up to its usual high standard.

In conclusion I would say that I have presented in the preceding report the financial and other conditions of our schools as they have appeared to me, and have made such suggestions as their welfare seems to demand. I wish to extend to the Superintending School committee, the teachers and citizens generally, my thanks for the courteous and considerate treatment I have received from them while in the performance of the duties pertaining to the office. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

J. S. FICKETT,

Supt. of Schools of South Portland.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT FOR 1898.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of South Portland:—

I herewith submit my report as Town Clerk for the municipal year ending February 1, A. D., 1899.

Very respectfully submitted,

NOAH B. KNIGHT,

Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS

OF THE

Town of South Portland

ENDING FEBRUARY 1, A. D. 1899.

There have been returned to the Town Clerk's Office for record 138 births, 38 marriages and 101 deaths during the municipal year.

DEATHS.

The following is a list of the dead, including the name, age and cause of death.

1898.

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|-------|-----|---|
| Feb. | 1. | Uriah L. Arey, 82 years, senile bronchitis. |
| " | 2. | Fannie M. Towse, 23 years, 11 months, 6 days, appendicitis. |
| " | 6. | Frank L. Griffin, 49 years, 1 month, scirrhus gastrici. |
| " | 19. | Harriet C. Tapley, 4 months, 22 days, heart disease. |
| " | 19. | Bridget Murphy, 52 years, valvular disease of the heart. |
| " | 20. | Fannie S. Conary, 51 years, 4 months, 6 days, intestinal nephritis. |
| March | 1. | Rachel A. Hovey, 54 years, 1 month, 2 days, softening brain. |
| " | 4. | Lena Miles, 15 years, 6 months, 16 days, pneumonia. |
| " | 12. | Herbert C. Jones, 13 years, 10 months, cerebral meningitis. |
| April | 1. | Margaret M. Hicks, 67 years, 3 months, exhaustion. |
| " | 3. | Henry F. Merrill, 52 years, 6 months, 18 days, disease of heart. |
| " | 13. | Rachel Jones, 80 years, old age. |
| " | 20. | William Bellmore, 78 years, 6 months, 6 days, asthma and heart failure. |
| " | 22. | Lydia A. Dixon, 22 years, 2 months, 21 days, laryngeal tuberculosis. |
| " | 30. | William Arundell, 3 days, heart disease. |
| May | 19. | Henry Muirhead, 75 years, 8 months, valvular disease of heart. |
| " | 20. | Mary M. Littlejohn, 76 years, 7 months, 13 days, heart disease. |
| " | 21. | Nellie E. Dyer, 12 years, 1 month, 19 days, ulcerative enteritis. |
| " | 21. | Patrick Duffey, 77 years, 10 months, heart disease. |

- May 21. Peaceful Hurd, 91 years, 6 months, 6 days, senility.
 " 22. Whitehall, (infant,) stillborn.
 " 23. Elizabeth I. Deland, 48 years, 2 months, 9 days, intestinal nephritis.
 " 24. Hiram Edgett, age unknown, cardiac dropsy.
 " 26. Thomas Leigh, 60 years, asthma.
 " 27. Ira S. Warren, 62 years, cerebral hyperæmia.
 " 28. Bertha L. Crowe, 2 years, 3 months, meningitis.
 " 28. Woodbury P. Cobb, 76 years, 2 months, heart disease.
 " 30. Mary J. Burnham, 67 years, 3 months, 27 days, cancer of stomach.
 " 30. James White, 50 years, heart disease.
 " 31. Arthur E. Dodge, 25 years, accident by drowning.
- June 3. Byron C. Dean, 63 years, 6 months, cancer of mesentery.
 " 14. Dexter F. Griffin, 9 months, 6 days, meningitis.
 " 21. Jane W. Miller, 47 years, 4 months, 18 days, chronic meningitis.
 " 21. Emeline T. Willard, 54 years, 8 months, 13 days, cancer of uterus.
- July 3. Nellie Anderson, 15 years, 8 months, tuberculosis of bowels.
 " 9. James A. McAuley, 22 years, accidental drowning.
 " 9. Chas. T. Sullivan, 20 years, accidental drowning.
 " 9. William F. O'Donnell, 26 years, 7 months, accidental drowning.
 " 9. William Mitchell, 17 years, 6 months, 7 days, accidental drowning.
 " 9. John E. Vayo, 16 years, 11 months, 12 days, accidental drowning.
 " 10. Charles W. McCreddie, 4 months, 2 days, cerebro spinal meningitis.
 " 11. Eva E. Knowles, 16 years, 3 days, consumption.
 " 21. George W. Loveitt, 69 years, gastric ulcers.
 " 25. Ida M. Lake, 29 years, pulmonary phthisis.
- Aug. 8. William J. Whitmore, 4 months, cholera infantum.
 " 10. Agnes L. Benson, 10 months, 26 days, congestion of lungs and cholera infantum.
 " 13. Elizabeth H. Crocker, 78 years, 11 months, dysentery.
 " 16. Elva E. Staples, 4 months, 28 days, exhaustion following cholera infantum.
 " 17. Florence E. Mulholland, 6 months, 22 days, entero colitis.
 " 25. Flossie A. Rines, 13 years, 7 months, 15 days, septicæmia, probably diphtheritic.
 " 31. John H. Colley, 83 years, cholera morbus and old age.
- Sept. 1. Charles Meserve, 69 years, general debility, old age and cholera morbus.
 " 1. Elmer E. York, 35 years, 5 months, 11 days, bronchial phthisis.
 " 2. Richard Lee, 71 years, paralysis.
 " 2. James H. Johnson, 73 years, 10 months, 15 days, valvular disease of heart.

- Sept. 8. George S. Brice, 8 years, 11 months, 21 days, cholera, form of diarrhœa.
- “ 9. Louise R. Brown, 49 years, 1 month, general paralysis.
- “ 16. Hannah A. Littlefield, 56 years, 11 months, 15 days, Bright's disease.
- “ 17. Drucilla Doughty, 67 years, 5 days, exhaustion, following cholera morbus.
- “ 28. Patrick Conwell, 69 years, gangrene of foot.
- “ 30. Leona F. Hamilton, 1 year, 4 months, 16 days, tubercular meningitis.
- Oct. 1. John E. Black, 36 years, paralysis.
- “ 4. John S. Clark, 63 years, 5 months, 27 days, heart disease.
- “ 5. Robert Campbell, 78 years, 9 months, angina pectoris.
- “ 9. Mary J. Cameron, 22 years, 8 months, 15 days, pulmonary tuberculosis.
- “ 15. William P. Miller, 55 years, 5 months, 17 days, malignant disease of the stomach.
- “ 30. Jennie E. Wiley, 49 years, 3 days, apoplexy.
- Nov. 1. Harriet E. Moody, 77 years, 11 months, 14 days, heart disease.
- “ 3. Verle M. Thomas, 2 years, 3 days, dysentery.
- “ 7. Willis D. Mooney, 25 years, 4 months, 19 days, pemphigus.
- “ 9. Charles H. Gavett, 34 years, 6 months, 29 days, typhoid fever.
- “ 15. Carolyn S. Harford, 49 years, 7 months, 4 days, cancer of uterus.
- “ 19. Sanford M. Reed, 58 years, 21 days, paralysis (shock).
- “ 19. Spear, (infant) stillborn.
- “ 24. Carrie E. Nelson, 16 years, 3 months, 4 days, pulmonary tuberculosis.
- “ 29. Adalia S. Wallace, 61 years, 5 months, 14 days, carcinoma sub-maxillary gland, 29 years.
- “ 29. Bathsheba B. DeMott, 85 years, 13 days, valvular disease of heart.
- “ 30. Charles A. Doughty, 6 years, 8 months, 24 days, tubercular meningitis.
- “ 30. Eunice A. Taggart, 61 years, 3 days, apoplexy.
- Dec. 1. Mary H. Baker, 89 years, 3 months, old age.
- “ 7. Mary E. Bolton, 53 years, 10 months, interstitial nephritis.
- “ 10. William Conleff, 65 years, cancer of stomach.
- “ 12. Lydia Ann Place, 77 years, 6 months, chronic cystitis.
- “ 12. Statira E. Thompson, 66 years, 9 days, arihosis liver.
- “ 15. Dyer (infant) stillborn.
- “ 18. McKay (infant) stillborn.
- “ 18. John N. Wheeler, 68 years, pneumonia.
- “ 18. John H. Ham, 49 years, pneumonia.
- “ 20. Emmaline A. Willard, 24 years, 6 months, 14 days, trachy candia.
- “ 22. Celia B. Whitmore, 8 months, 12 days, bronchitis.

- Dec. 27. Gracie M. Nash, 6 months, 17 days, asphyxia.
 " 29. Vincent R. Cobb, 7 months, 14 days, meningitis.
 1899.
 Jan. 20. Lizzie H. Loveitt, 34 years, 7 months, 17 days, erysipelas and acute Bright's disease.
 " 26. Jane L. Harford, 79 years, 22 days, heart failure and pneumonia.

The persons named herein died at the city of Portland and other cities and towns in this and other states and were brought into the town of South Portland for burial in the different cemeteries.

Died at Portland.

1898.

- May 7. James M. Deering, 80 years, 7 months, senility.
 " 19. Joseph G. Russell, 54 years, 7 months, 14 days, apoplexy.
 Sept. 3. Ella M. Kane, 39 years, puerperal convulsions.
 Died at South Chatham, N. H.
 Sept. 20. Emerline Nutter, 71 years, 3 months, gastritis.
 Died at Westbrook.
 Nov. 19. Rhoda J. Bennett, 55 years, 4 months, 7 days. Progressive paralysis.
 Died at Gorham.
 Dec. 13. Mary F. Guthrie, 73 years, 4 months, chronic meningitis.
 Died at Windham.

1899.

- Jan. 1. Albert H. Jordan, 37 years, 6 months, 6 days, consumption of liver.

A true copy.

Attest,

NOAH B. KNIGHT, *Town Clerk.*

MARRIAGES.

The following marriages have been returned to the Clerk's Office for record, during the year ending February 1, 1899.

1898.

- Feb. 2. By Rev. DeWitt B. Thompson of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Everett G. Benner of South Portland and Laura M. DuBois of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
 " 10. By Rev. W. F. Holmes of South Portland, Lynn Buckley of Portland and Blanche B. Lowell of South Portland.
 " 11. By Rev. W. F. Holmes of South Portland, George C. Wiley and Annie E. Douglass, both of South Portland.
 March 1. By Rev. J. L. Smith of South Portland, James O. Kaler and Amy L. Scammon, both of South Portland.

- March 3. By Rev. L. H. Bean of South Portland, Jerry S. Thompson and Margaret C. Flaherty, both of South Portland.
- “ 14. By Rev. L. H. Bean of South Portland, Howard C. Thompson and Jeanie Foote, both of South Portland.
- “ 21. By Rev. J. L. Smith of South Portland, David A. Mullin and Mable D. Brown, both of Cape Elizabeth.
- April 2. By Rev. L. H. Bean of South Portland, Edwin C. Morrill and Emma M. Orr, both of South Portland.
- “ 13. By Rev. Leroy S. Bean of Portland, Walter J. McKenney and Lena G. Skillin, both of South Portland.
- May 18. By Rev. J. W. Roberts of South Portland, Clifford Greenlaw of Deering and Carrie A. M. Phinney of South Portland.
- “ 19. By Rev. L. H. Bean of South Portland, Charles C. Dow of Portland and Jennie C. Hovey of South Portland.
- “ 21. By Rev. W. F. Holmes of South Portland, John E. Fisher and Ada C. Tilton, both of South Portland.
- “ 23. By Rev. W. S. Ayres of Portland, Chiever N. Clark and Viola A. Rogers, both of South Portland.
- “ 25. By Elder Hiram Mains of South Portland, Elmer E. Rogers and Eleanor W. Cash, both of South Portland.
- June 9. By Rev. Robert Lawton of South Portland, Wilbur C. Jordan and Mabel W. Jordan, both of Cape Elizabeth.
- “ 21. By Rev. W. S. Ayres of Portland, Albert E. Barbour of South Portland and Alice S. Carey of Portland.
- “ 22. By Rev. W. I. Houston of Portland, George W. Miles of South Portland and Mary E. Dyer of Cape Elizabeth.
- “ 23. By Rev. Frank W. Smith of South Portland, Charles W. Smith and Grace R. Evans, both of South Portland.
- “ 27. By Elder Hiram Mains of South Portland, Thomas Kiley and Minnie A. Berry, both of South Portland.
- July 4. By Rev. Leroy S. Bean of Portland, Percy M. Porter of South Portland and Cora L. Moran of Castle Hill.
- Aug. 18. By Rev. Sylvester Hooper of Richmond, Me., Roy R. Elliott of South Portland and Josephine B. Preble of Richmond.
- Sept. 27. By Rev. John O'Dowd of Portland, Henry J. Wilson of South Portland, and Margaret O'Connor of Portland.
- Oct. 1. By Rev. Robert Lawton of South Portland, Dennis E. Brown and Minnie A. Moore, both of South Portland.
- “ 4. By Rev. M. F. O'Connor of Portland, Florence Edward Carey of South Portland, and Catherine F. Kehoe of Portland.
- “ 5. By Rev. Luther Freeman of Portland, Fred C. Burroughs of Portland, and Jennie A. Harper of South Portland.
- “ 19. By Rev. W. L. Nickerson of South Portland, Andrew R. Bishop of Cape Elizabeth, and Lilla M. Hopkins of South Portland.

- Oct. 20. By Rev. Robert Lawton of South Portland, Percy W. Armstrong of Cape Elizabeth, and Estelle Graffam of South Portland.
- “ 20. By Rev. Harry S. Ryder of New Sharon, Me., William H. Doughty and Hattie L. Purrington, both of South Portland.
- “ 21. By Rev. Rasmus Neilson of Portland, Jasper Carlson and Jutta J. Jensen, both of South Portland.
- “ 25. By Rev. Henry Blanchard of Portland, George H. Weeks, Jr., and Martha Ella Mountfort, both of South Portland.
- “ 31. By Rev. Luther Freeman of Portland, Fred P. LeGrow of Portland, and Eva May Jordan of South Portland.
- Nov. 7. By Rev. Hiram Mains of South Portland, Cyrus B. McKenney and Maud S. Deering, both of Scarboro.
- “ 15. By Rev. Edw. F. Hurley of Portland. William H. Coffey of South Portland and Carrie M. Welch of Portland.
- “ 21. By Rev. Edw. F. Hurley of Portland, John F. Walsh of South Portland and Mary F. McDonald of Portland.
- Dec. 3. By Rev. J. H. Roberts of South Portland, Harry Gough and Mary E. McCormic, both of South Portland.
- “ 21. By Rev. W. S. Ayres of Portland, Ernest Dill of Portland and Nancy E. Griffin of South Portland.
- “ 24. By Rev. Hiram Mains of South Portland, John Meserve of Scarboro and Mary Dumphy of Portland.
- 1899.
- Jan. 18. By Rev. W. F. Holmes of South Portland, Alvirde H. Best and Addie C. Littlejohn, both of South Portland.

A true Copy

Attest,

NOAH B. KNIGHT, *Town Clerk.*

PROCEEDINGS

—ON—

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

MARCH 7TH, A. D. 1898.

TOWN HALL, TOWN OF SOUTH PORTLAND, }
March 7, A. D. 1898. }

At the annual town meeting held at the Town Hall, in the town of South Portland, on the seventh (7) day of March, A. D. 1898, the following votes were passed, viz :—

ARTICLE 2. *Voted*, That the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Town Treasurer be accepted.

ART. 3. *Voted*, That the report of the Superintending School Committee be accepted.

ART. 4. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for the maintenance and support of common schools the ensuing year.

ART. 5. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for the support of the poor the ensuing year.

ART. 6. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for roads and bridges; and that the Road Commissioner be instructed to employ the tax payers of the town, to labor on the highways and streets, preference being given to those residing in each highway district.

ART. 7. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand and five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for town charges;

six hundred dollars (\$600) of which is to be applied to the salaries of the Selectmen.

ART. 8. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand and five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for Winter and Spring Highway Bills for 1897 and 1898.

ART. 9. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to pay interest on town debt.

ART. 10. *Voted*, To raise the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) for Collector's commissions.

ART. 11. *Voted*, That the Collector receive two (2) per cent. for his services the ensuing year, the same as last year.

ART. 12. *Voted*, To make a discount of three (3) per cent. on taxes paid within three (3) months from date of commitment or otherwise.

ART. 13. *Voted*, That the thirteenth (13) article be dismissed.

ART. 14. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for discount on taxes.

ART. 15. *Voted*, To authorize the Selectmen to hire money temporarily by issuing town notes to an amount not exceeding twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), the avails to be used in paying current expenses of the town, provided the same shall become necessary.

ART. 16. *Voted*, That the sixteenth (16) article be laid upon the table.

ART. 17. *Voted*, That the report of the committee, appointed by the town March 18, 1895, to adjust the financial affairs of the old town of Cape Elizabeth, be accepted, and spread upon the records and read as follows, viz. :—

To the Inhabitants of the Town of So. Portland :—

Your financial committee would beg leave to submit the following report.

At the date of our last report, Feb. 1, 1897, we reported the findings in full, of the sub-committee, to Nov. 30, 1896, which

findings were adopted by the joint committee, Jan. 11, 1897. That report showed that the amount due the town of So. Portland from the new town of Cape Elizabeth was \$6,053.69. No action being taken by the officers of the new town of Cape Elizabeth as to the payment of the above amount, your committee decided to make a demand upon the new town of Cape Elizabeth for the amount due, with interest, which demand was made by counsel, and served May 26, 1897. After the demand was served, the joint committee were called together, at the request of the committee on the part of the new town of Cape Elizabeth, to meet at the Town Hall in So. Portland, on June 19, 1897. The object of the meeting was made evident by a proposition on the part of the committee from the new town of Cape Elizabeth, that the town was entitled by Sec. 4 of the division act, to their proportion of the real and personal property located on the northerly side of the division line and within the limits of the town of So. Portland, and that they would consent to refer the matter to be adjusted to referees. Your committee at once took issue with that proposition; stated to the committee that the language in Sec. 4 of the division act was plain and explicit, and meant just what it said, and that your committee would not become a party to choosing referees, as we had nothing to refer. But, if the new town of Cape Elizabeth saw fit to test their own act whereby they became a town, So. Portland would abide by the decision of the law court.

Sec. 4 of the division act reads as follows: All town property, real and personal, now situated within the limits of said new town of Cape Elizabeth, shall become the property of said new town; and all town property, real and personal, now situated within the limits of said town of So. Portland, shall become the property of said town of So. Portland.

No notice being taken of the demand, your committee decided to bring an action against the new town of Cape Elizabeth for the amount due, \$6,053.69, with interest, by their counsel, N. & H. B. Cleaves and Edward C. Reynolds, the writ being dated Dec. 9,

1897, and returnable at the January term Supreme Judicial Court, 1898, and marked for trial at the April term.

At the close of the municipal year, Feb. 1, 1898, the town of So. Portland had paid on account of the old town of Cape Elizabeth, from the date of the sub-committee report, Nov. 30, 1896, the sum of \$11,495.10, as follows:—

Cape Elizabeth bonds, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,	\$5,000 00
“ note, No. 3,	5,471 48
Interest on notes Nos. 1, 2, 3,	423 62
Coupons taken up,	600 00
	\$11,495 10

South Portland proportion, \$8,728 21

New town Cape Elizabeth, 2,766 89

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS B. HASKELL,

Chairman of So. Portland Committee.

So. Portland, Feb. 1, 1898.

ART. 16. *Voted*, That the sixteenth (16th) article be taken from the table for further consideration.

ART. 16. *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to issue town bonds to the amount of six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200) to pay the bonds and notes of the old town of Cape Elizabeth, falling due during the year 1898.

ART. 18. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800) for the support of the free High school the ensuing year.

ART. 19. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) for repairs on school buildings the ensuing year.

ART. 20. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) for school appliances, apparatus and insurance.

ART. 21. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for school text books the ensuing year.

ART. 22. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to defray the expenses of the school superintendent the ensuing year.

ART. 23. *Voted*, that twenty-third (23) article be dismissed.

ART. 24. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the purpose of finishing and furnishing the second story room in District No. 3, so-called

ART. 25. *Voted*, That the twenty-fifth (25) article be indefinitely postponed.

ART. 26. *Voted*, That the Treasurer receive as compensation for his services the ensuing year the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300).

ART. 27. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) to decorate the graves of the soldiers and sailors. Of the town of South Portland, said money to be paid by the Treasurer of the town to the quartermaster of the Veteran Association of said town on or before Memorial day.

ART. 28. *Voted*, That the twenty-eighth (28) article be dismissed.

ART. 29. *Voted*, that the twenty-ninth (29) article be dismissed.

ART. 30. *Voted*, That the thirtieth (30) article be dismissed.

ART. 31. *Voted*, That the thirty-first (31) article be dismissed.

ART. 32. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for the support of the almshouse the ensuing year.

ART. 33. *Voted*, To place a hydrant on Skunk's Hill, so-called, on the Saco road, and raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the same, if the sum should be sufficient to provide the water.

ART. 34. *Voted*, That the thirty-fourth (34) article be dismissed.

ART. 35. *Voted*, That the thirty-fifth (35) article be dismissed.

ART. 36. *Voted*, That the thirty-sixth (36) article be dismissed.

ART. 37. *Voted*, That the thirty-seventh (37) article be dismissed.

Voted, That the Selectmen are hereby authorized and instructed to confer with the management of the Portland & Cape Elizabeth Electric Railway and endeavor to mutually effect the removal of one track on Bridge street from the county line to Cottage and Hannaford roads, and report at the next meeting.

ART. 38. *Voted*, That the thirty-eighth (38) article be dismissed.

ART. 39. *Voted*, That the thirty-ninth (39) article be dismissed.

ART. 40. *Voted*, That the fortieth (40) article be dismissed.

ART. 41. *Voted*, That all persons not residents of the town of South Portland be prohibited from digging clams on any of the shores of said town.

ART. 42. *Voted*, To raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) for the purpose of building Smith Street, in Willard village.

ART. 43. *Voted*, That the forty-third (43) article be dismissed, and the deficiency in Common Schools account be paid from the appropriation of 1898.

ART. 44. *Voted*, That the forty-fourth (44) article be dismissed, and the deficiency in Text Books account and Schoolhouse account be paid from the appropriation of 1898.

ART. 45. *Voted*, That the forty-fifth (45) article be dismissed.

ART. 46. *Voted*, That the forty-sixth (46) article be dismissed, and the deficiency for Town Charges account and the de-

iciency for Discount on Taxes be paid from the appropriation of 1898.

Voted, To raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen hundred and seventy-five dollars, and seven cents (\$1,375.07) for deficiency in Out Poor accounts for 1897.

ART. 47. *Voted*, That the selectmen be authorized to pay to members of the several fire companies in the town, the sum of fifty (50) cents per hour for time actually employed by each member, at any fire during the ensuing year, time list to be prepared by the foreman of each company, and payment to be made to the foreman for the company; each company not to exceed thirty (30) men.

ART. 48. *Voted*, That the forty-eighth (48) article be dismissed.

ART. 49. *Voted*, That the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to advertise for proposals from physicians, residents of the town, for medical attendance at the Almshouse, and the outside poor, giving the same to the lowest bidder, reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

ART. 50. *Voted*, That the fiftieth (50) article be dismissed.

ART. 51. *Voted*, That the matter in relation to extending the water main on Middle Street, so called, be left to the Selectmen to investigate the cost, and report at some future meeting.

ART. 52. *Voted*, To accept the report of the Selectmen, and the article be dismissed.

ART. 53. *Voted*, To accept the report of the Selectmen, and the article be dismissed.

ART. 54. *Voted*, To accept the report of the Selectmen, and the article be dismissed.

ART. 55. *Voted*, To accept the report of the Selectmen, and the article be dismissed.

ART. 56. *Voted*, To accept the report of the Selectmen, and the article be dismissed.

ART. 57. *Voted*, That the report of the Selectmen on the petition of George L. Gould and others, to lay out a town way, be accepted and adopted.

ART. 7. *Voted*, To return to the seventh (7th) article for consideration.

Voted, To raise and appropriate an additional sum of one thousand, six hundred dollars (\$1,600) for water payments.

Voted, To adjourn, to meet at the Town Hall, in said town of South Portland, on Monday, March 14, A. D., 1898, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of choosing all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Adjourned.

A true copy.

Attest:

NOAH B. KNIGHT,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS

—ON—

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

JUNE 4, A. D. 1898.

At a special town meeting held at the Town Hall in the town of So. Portland on the fourth (4th) day of June, A. D. 1898, the following votes were passed, viz. :—

ART. 2. *Voted*, That the bonds authorized to be issued at the last annual town meeting, amount six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200.00) and called for in Art. 16 of the annual warrant, be issued at a rate per cent not to exceed four per cent (4%) per annum, and on a length of time not to exceed 16 years.

ART. 3. *Voted*, That the town raise by issuing town bonds in the sum of four thousand five hundred and fifty dollars (\$4,550.00) on a time not exceeding 17 years, and interest not exceeding four per cent (4%) per annum, payable semi-annually, said bonds to be sold by the treasurer to the highest bidder.

ART. 4. *Voted*, To raise by assessment the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) in addition to the amount raised at the last annual town meeting to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. *Voted*, To raise by assessment the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for repairs on sewers and drains.

ART. 6. *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to hire the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) temporarily in addition to the amount authorized at the last annual town meeting,

by issuing town notes, the avails to be used in paying current expenses of the town, provided the same shall become necessary.

ART. 7. *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to lease quarters in the new Masonic building to be built at Knightville, and that the town officers be authorized to remove the offices to that place in accordance with Art. seven (7). Votes 43 in favor to 28 opposed.

ART. 8. *Voted*, To extend the water main on Middle Street (so called) from its present terminus at Anthoine Street for a distance of 2,500 feet more or less, and establish two hydrants thereon, and raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) by assessment for that purpose.

ART. 9. *Voted*, To pay Mr. John M. Jeffords the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for injuries to his wife on Cottage Road, Feb. 7, A. D. 1898, and raise and appropriate said sum of \$200.00 by assessment.

Voted, To adjourn *sine die*. Adjourned.

A true copy.

Attest.

NOAH B. KNIGHT,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS

—ON—

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

DECEMBER 1, A. D. 1898.

At a special town meeting held at the Town Hall, in the town of South Portland, on the first (1st) day of December, A. D. 1898, the following votes were passed, viz :—

ARTICLE 2. *Voted*, To reconsider and rescind the vote passed on March 7, A. D. 1898, on Article 43 of the annual warrant, whereby it was voted to pay the deficiency or overdraw in Common Schools account, year 1897, of \$1,198.19, from the appropriation for common schools, year 1898.

ART. 3. *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to hire the sum of four thousand, three hundred sixty dollars and sixty-five cents (\$4,360.65), by issuing a town note or notes, on two (2) years' time, to meet the total deficit in Common Schools account for the year 1897 :—\$1,198.19, as reported in article 43 of the last annual warrant, and bills paid for 1897, aggregating \$3,162.46.

Voted, To adjourn *sine die*. Adjourned.

A true copy.

Attest.

NOAH B. KNIGHT,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS.

— ON —

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

DECEMBER 5th, A. D. 1898.

At a special town meeting held at the Town Hall, in the town of South Portland, on the fifth (5th) day of December, A. D. 1898, the following vote was passed, viz. : —

“ Shall the Act passed by the Legislature in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled, “An Act to incorporate the city of South Portland,” be accepted.

Whole number of ballots given in on the question, “Shall the Act passed by the Legislature, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled, “An Act to incorporate the City of South Portland,” be accepted.

Was three hundred and fifty-three (353).

The number who voted yes was two hundred and sixty-four (264).

The number who voted no was eighty-nine (89).

The Chairman of the meeting then declared the Act accepted.

Voted, To adjourn *sine die.* Adjourned.

A true copy.

Attest.

NOAH B. KNIGHT,

Town Clerk.

CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND NINETY-FIVE.

AN ACT to Incorporate the City of South Portland.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. The inhabitants of the town of South Portland, in the county of Cumberland, shall, in case of the acceptance of this act by the voters of said town, as hereinafter provided, continue to be a body politic and corporate under the name of South Portland and as such shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, immunities, powers, privileges and franchises, and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations now appertaining to, or incumbent upon said town as a municipal corporation, or appertaining to or incumbent upon, the inhabitants or selectmen thereof; and may ordain and publish such by-laws, ordinances and regulations, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state, as shall be needful to the good order of said body politic; and impose fines and penalties for the breach thereof, not exceeding twenty dollars for any offense, which may be recovered to the use of the city, by action of debt, or on complaint before the municipal court of said city.

SECT. 2. The administration of all fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of said city with the government thereof shall be vested in an officer to be called the mayor, and one council of seven to be denominated a board of aldermen; all of whom shall be inhabitants of said city and legal voters therein. Said mayor and aldermen shall constitute the city council, and shall be sworn, or affirmed for the faithful discharge of their duties.

SECT. 3. The mayor of said city shall be the chief executive magistrate thereof. It shall be his duty to be vigilant and active in causing the laws and regulations of the city to be executed and enforced, to exercise a general supervision over the conduct of all subordinate officers, and to cause their violations or neglect of duty to be punished. He may call special meetings of the city council, when in his opinion, the interests of the city require it, by causing a summons or notification to be given, in hand, or left at the usual dwelling place of each member thereof. He shall from time to time, communicate to the city council, such information, and recommend such measures as the business and interests of the city may, in his opinion, require. He shall preside at the meetings of the city council, but shall have only a casting vote. The salary and compensation of the mayor shall be one hundred dollars per year for the first five years, under this charter. It may then be diminished or increased by the council.

The mayor shall, in the month of February, annually, prepare and lay before the city council an estimate of the amount of money necessary to be raised for the ensuing financial year, under the various heads of appropriation, and the ways and means of raising the same; and shall also, in the month of February, annually, prepare and lay before the city council a statement of all the receipts and expenditures of the preceding financial year, giving in detail the amount of expenditures for each department; and said statement shall be accompanied with a schedule of the property, real and personal, belonging to the city, and the value thereof, and amount of city debt.

SECT. 4. For the purpose of holding elections, the territory of said city shall, as soon as may be after the first election under this act, be divided by ordinance by the city council into seven wards, to contain as nearly as may be, consistently, within well defined limits, an equal number of legal voters; and it shall be the duty of the city council once in ten years at most, and not oftener than once in five years, to review, and, if in their opinion it be needful, to alter such wards in such manner as to preserve, as nearly as may be, an equal number of legal voters in each ward.

SECT. 5. The mayor shall be elected from the citizens at large, by the legal voters of the city voting in their respective wards. One alderman, a member of the school committee, a warden, a ward clerk and one constable shall be elected by each ward, being residents in the ward where elected. All of said officers shall be elected by ballot as hereinafter provided.

SECT. 6. The municipal elections after the first, shall take place annually, on the first Monday in March. All meetings of the citizens for municipal purposes shall be notified and called in their respective wards, by the mayor and aldermen, in the manner provided by the laws of this state for notifying and calling town meetings by the selectmen of the several towns. The wardens shall preside at all ward meetings, with the powers of moderators at town meetings; and if at any ward meeting the warden shall not be present, the clerk shall preside till a warden, pro tempore, shall be chosen. If neither the warden or clerk is present any legal voter in the ward shall preside until a clerk, pro tempore, shall be chosen and qualified.

SECT. 7. The city council shall secure a prompt and just accountability by requiring bonds with sufficient penalty and surety or sureties, from all persons trusted with the receipt, custody or disbursement of money; the city council shall also have the care and superintendence of the city buildings, and the custody and management of all city property and trust funds for the benefit of schools, public library, parks, cemeteries and for any other beneficial purpose, whether acquired by purchase or legacy; with power to let or sell what may be legally let or sold, and to purchase and take, in the name of the city, real and personal property for municipal purposes to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars in addition to that now held by the town, and shall, as often as once a year, cause to be published for the information of the inhabitants, a particular account of the receipts and expenditures and a schedule of the city property and the city debt.

The city shall have the power to establish by ordinance such officers as may be necessary for municipal government not pro-

vided for by this act, and to elect such subordinate officers as may be elected by towns under general laws of the state for whose election or appointment other provision is not made; to define their duties and fix their compensation; to act upon all matters in which authority is now given to said town of South Portland, and to determine what streets, if any, shall be lighted and upon what terms. The city council shall appropriate annually the amount necessary to meet the expenditures of the city for the current municipal year. The city council shall have exclusive authority to lay out, widen or otherwise alter or discontinue any and all streets or public ways in said city, and as far as extreme low-water mark, and to estimate all damages sustained by owners of land taken for such purpose. A committee of the council shall be appointed whose duty shall be to lay out, alter, widen or discontinue any street or way, first giving notice of the time and place of their proceedings to all parties interested, by an advertisement in two newspapers printed in South Portland or Portland, for three weeks at least, next previous to the time appointed. The committee shall first hear all parties interested, and then determine and adjudge whether the public convenience requires such street or way to be laid out, altered or discontinued, and shall make a written return of their proceedings, signed by a majority of them, containing the bounds and descriptions of the street or way, if laid out or altered, and the names of the owners of the land taken, when known, and the damages allowed therefor; the return shall be filed in the city clerk's office at least seven days previous to its acceptance by the city council. The street or way shall not be altered or established until the report is accepted by the city council. And the report so filed shall not be altered or amended before it comes up before the city council for action. A street or way shall not be discontinued by the city council, except upon the report of said committee. The committee shall estimate and report the damages sustained by the owners of the lands adjoining that portion of the street or way which is so discontinued; their report shall be filed with the city clerk seven days at least before its acceptance. Any party aggrieved by their decision may appeal therefrom as provided

by law in the case of town ways. If a street or way is discontinued before the damages are paid or recovered for the land taken, the land owners shall not be entitled to recover such damages, but the committee in their report discontinuing the same shall estimate and include all the damages sustained by the land owner, including those caused by the original location of the streets ; and in such cases, if any appeal has been regularly taken, the appellant shall recover his costs. The city shall not be compelled to construct or open any street or way thus hereafter established until, in the opinion of the city council, the public good requires it to be done ; nor shall the city interfere with possession of the land so taken by removing therefrom materials or otherwise, until they decide to open said street. The city council may regulate the height and width of the sidewalks in any public square, places, streets, lanes or alleys in said city ; and may authorize hydrants, drinking fountains, posts and trees to be placed along the edge of the sidewalks, and may locate and construct culverts and reservoirs within the limits of any street or way in said city whenever they deem it needful.

Every law, act, ordinance, resolve or order of the city council excepting rules and orders of a parliamentary character, shall be presented to the mayor. If not approved by him he shall return it with his objections in writing at the next stated session of the city council which shall enter the objections at large on its journal and proceed to reconsider the same. If, upon reconsideration, it shall be passed by vote of two-thirds of all the members of the board, it shall have the same force as if approved by the mayor. In case of vacancy in the mayor's office this section shall not apply to any act of the council. In case the mayor fails to either sign or return the bill at the next session, then it becomes a law as though he had signed it.

SECT. 8. The city clerk shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, be sworn to the faithful discharge thereof. He shall have care of all journals, records, papers and documents, of the city ; and shall deliver all journals, records, papers and documents, and other things entrusted to him as city clerk, to his successor

in office. He shall be clerk of the city council, and do such acts in said capacity as the city council may lawfully and reasonably require of him. He shall perform all the duties, and exercise all the powers by law incumbent upon or vested in the town clerk of the town of South Portland. He shall attend all meetings of the city council, and keep a journal of its acts, votes and proceedings. He shall engross all of the ordinances passed by the city council in a book provided for the purpose, and shall add proper indexes, which book shall be deemed a public record of such ordinances; he shall issue to every person who is appointed to any office by the mayor, or elected to any office by the city council, a certificate of such appointment or election. He shall give notice of time and place of regular ward meetings. In case of the temporary absence of the city clerk, the city council may elect a clerk pro tempore, with all the powers, duties and obligations of the city clerk, who shall be duly qualified.

SECT. 9. The assessors, overseers of the poor and health officers shall be elected by the city council on the second Monday in March, or as soon thereafter as may be. At the first election thereof under this act, three persons shall be elected assessors, one of whom shall be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and, at each subsequent election, one assessor shall be elected for three years each of whom shall continue in office until some other person shall have been elected and qualified in his place. Three overseers of the poor shall be elected in the same manner as are the assessors, and shall hold office the same time, and all subsequent elections of these officers shall be in the same manner as all subsequent elections for assessors. The city council may elect an assistant assessor in each ward, whose duty it shall be to furnish the assessors with all necessary information relative to persons and property taxable in his ward. He shall be sworn, or affirmed, to the faithful performance of his duty. All taxes shall be assessed, apportioned, and collected in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state relative to town taxes, except as herein modified, and the city council may establish further or additional provisions for the collection thereof and of interest thereon.

The city council shall also elect a city solicitor and determine his salary.

SECT. 10. The city council shall, annually, as soon after its organization as may be convenient, elect by ballot a city clerk, a city treasurer and an auditor, who shall hold their offices for the current municipal year following their election and until their respective successors shall be elected and qualified; provided, however, that either of the officers named in this section may be removed at any time by the city council for sufficient cause. Vacancies in the above named offices may be filled by ballot of the city council at any time. The compensation of the officers named in this section shall be fixed by vote of the city council, and the official fees by them received shall be paid into the city treasury if so ordered by the council. If it is deemed expedient by the city council, the offices of city clerk and city treasurer may be held by the same person.

The treasurer of the city shall also be the collector of taxes for said city, with all the powers of collectors of taxes under the laws of this state. He shall be styled treasurer and collector, and shall give but one bond to be approved by the city council for the faithful performance of his duties; and may appoint assistants and deputies as provided by law. All warrants directed to him by the assessors and municipal officers shall run to him and his successors in office, shall be in the form prescribed by law, changing such parts only as by this act are required to be changed. The method of keeping, vouching and settling his accounts shall be subject to such rules and regulations as the city council may establish. Said treasurer and collector shall collect all such uncollected taxes and assessments, in whatever year assessed, as may be collected during his term of office; and, at the expiration of said term, his power as collector shall wholly cease; all sales, distresses, and all other acts and proceedings, lawfully commenced by him as such treasurer and collector, may be as effectually continued and completed by his successor in office as though done by himself; and all unreturned warrants, which would otherwise be returnable to him, shall be returned to his successor in office.

SECT. 11. I. There shall be annually elected by the city council a street commissioner, who shall give bonds to the city in the sum of one thousand dollars, with such sureties as the city council shall approve, for the faithful performance of his duty, and shall receive such compensation as the city council shall establish, and he shall be removable at their pleasure; and if said office shall become vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, they shall forthwith elect another person.

II. It shall be the duty of the street commissioner to superintend the general state of the streets, roads, bridges, (excepting such bridges as it is the duty of the city of Portland and county of Cumberland to keep in repair) sidewalks and lanes in the city; to attend to the repairs of the same, and to remove sidewalks when they are dangerous to travelers; and it shall be the duty of the commissioner to cause permanent bounds, monuments or land marks, to be erected at the termini and angles of all highways and streets now located, or that may hereafter be located by the council, or altering or widening as provided by statute, and shall cause plans thereof to be made and filed with the city clerk, when required, after the passage of an order by the council. He shall make all contracts for labor and material, subject to approval of the council, and give notice to the mayor, or to any police officer, or constable, of any obstruction or encroachment thereon; to superintend the building and repair of any sewer, drain or reservoir, and to make contracts for labor and material for the same, subject to approval of the council.

III. He shall perform such duties in said office as the city council may require, and shall at all times obey the directions of the council, or its committees, in the performance of his official duties.

IV. The street commissioner shall certify all accounts contracted in the discharge of his official duties, to the city council for their examination and allowance, at each regular meeting of the council.

V. No person or corporation authorized by the city council to dig up any public street or sidewalk in said city shall begin such

digging before furnishing to the street commissioner security satisfactory to him to restore such street or sidewalk to its former condition.

SECT. 12. The city council may, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all its members, establish, by ordinance, a police department, to consist of a chief of police and such other officers and men as it may prescribe, and may make regulations for the government of the department. Until a department of police shall be established in accordance with the provisions of this act, the mayor shall have the appointment, control and direction of the police force of the city.

SECT. 13. The city council may establish a fire department for said city, to consist of such officers and men as it may prescribe, and it may make regulations for the government of the department.

SECT. 14. The city council shall establish, by ordinance, the regular salaries or remuneration of the offices established by this act, in case the same is not fixed herein, and of such other offices as may be hereafter established, and after the first municipal year no ordinance of the council changing any such salary or remuneration shall take effect until the municipal year succeeding that in which the ordinance is passed.

SECT. 15. In case any ordinance, order, resolution or vote involves the appropriation or expenditure of money to an amount which may exceed three hundred dollars, the laying of an assessment, or the granting to a person or corporation of any right in, over or under any street or other public ground of this city, the affirmative votes of a majority of all the members of the city council shall be necessary for its passage. Every such ordinance, order, resolution or vote shall be read twice, with an interval of at least three days between the two readings, before being finally passed, and the vote upon its final passage shall be taken by roll-call.

No sum appropriated for a specific purpose shall be expended for any other purpose, and no expenditure shall be made, nor liability incurred by or in behalf of the city, until an appropriation has been duly voted by the city council sufficient to meet such

expenditure or liability, together with all unpaid liabilities which are payable out of such appropriation ; provided, however, that, after the expiration of the financial year until the passage of the regular annual appropriation, liabilities payable out of a regular appropriation to be contained therein may be incurred to an amount not exceeding one quarter of the total of such appropriation for the preceding year.

No money shall be paid out of the city treasury, except on orders signed by the mayor, designating the fund or appropriation from which said orders are to be paid.

SECT. 16. For the purpose of organizing the system of government hereby established, and putting the same in operation in the first instance, the selectmen of the town shall, at least seven days before the first Monday of March after the acceptance of this charter, issue their warrant for calling a meeting of the legal voters at such place and hour of the day as they shall choose, for the purpose of choosing a mayor, seven aldermen, a school committee of seven, and seven constables to be taken from the city at large ; said officers shall be elected by a plurality vote. The town clerk shall notify the several officers elect, of their election, in writing, within twenty-four hours. Their powers and duties shall be as herein provided. After the city has been divided into wards, ward meetings of the legal voters thereof shall be called, which meetings shall be presided over by some person appointed by the city council, and the records of said first meetings in the several wards shall be made by some person designated by the city council, and at said first meetings lists of voters, corrected by the aldermen, shall be delivered to the persons designated to act as recording officers in the several wards, to be used as provided by law, in town meetings. Said recording officers shall perform the duties of ward clerks, as before herein provided, relative to making a record of the election and returning a copy of the records of the city council.

On the first Monday in March, annually thereafter the qualified voters of each ward shall vote on one ballot for city and ward officers, as hereafter provided for, all of which officers except the

mayor shall be residents of the ward or district where elected. And all officers shall be elected by ballot, by a plurality of the votes given, and shall hold their offices one year from the second Monday in March, except members of the school committee who shall be chosen for three years after the first election under this charter, and until others shall be elected and qualified in their places; all city and ward officers shall be held to discharge the duties of the offices to which they have been respectively elected, notwithstanding the removal after their election, out of their respective wards, into any other ward in the city; the ward clerk within twenty-four hours after such election shall deliver to the ward officers elected, certificates of their election, and shall forthwith deliver to the clerk a certified copy of the record of such election, a plain and intelligible abstract of which shall be entered by the city clerk upon the city records. If the person elected shall refuse to accept the office, the said board shall issue their warrants for another election; and in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be filled for the remainder of the term by a new election, to be called as herein provided, and held within twenty days after the vacancy occurs. The oath, or affirmation, prescribed by this act shall be administered to the mayor by the city clerk, or any justice of the peace. The aldermen elect shall meet on the second Monday of March at seven o'clock in the evening when the oath, or affirmation, required by the second section of this act shall be administered to the members present by the mayor, or any justice of the peace. The city council shall by ordinance, determine the times of holding stated or regular meetings of the board, and shall also in like manner determine the manner of calling special meetings and the persons by whom the same shall be called, but, until otherwise provided by ordinance, special meetings shall be called by the mayor by causing a notification to be given in hand or left at the usual residence of each member.

SECT. 17. After the organization of the city government and the qualification of a mayor, and when a quorum of the city council shall be present, said board, the mayor presiding, shall

proceed to choose a permanent chairman, who, in the absence or the mayor, shall preside at all meetings of the board, and, in case of any vacancy in the office of mayor caused by death, resignation or otherwise, he shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the office so long as such vacancy shall remain; he shall continue to have a vote in the board, but shall not have the veto power. The board of aldermen, in the absence of the mayor and permanent chairman, shall choose a president, pro tempore, who shall exercise the power of a permanent chairman.

SECT. 18. Every officer of the city, except the mayor, shall, at the request of the city council, appear before the board and give such information as may be required, and answer any questions that may be asked by the council in relation to any matter, act, or thing connected with his office or the discharge of the duties thereof.

SECT. 19. The aldermen shall not be entitled to receive any salary or other compensation during the year for which they are elected, nor be eligible to any office of profit or emolument, the salary of which is payable by the city, during said term; and all departments, boards, officers and committees, acting under the authority of the city and instructed with the expenditure of public money, shall expend the same for no other purpose than that for which it is appropriated, and shall be accountable therefor to the city in such manner as the city may direct.

SECT. 20. Neither the mayor, members of the board of aldermen, or any officer of the city, shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract or agreement to which the city is a party. This provision shall not apply to local tradesmen furnishing supplies of any kind in their line to the city.

SECT. 21. All officers of the police department shall be appointed by nomination by the mayor and confirmed by the city council, and may be removed by them for good cause. All other subordinate officers shall be elected by the city council, and may be removed by them for cause. Except as otherwise specially provided in this act, all subordinate officers shall be elected annually on the second Monday of March, or as soon thereafter as may be,

and their term of office shall be for one year, and until others are qualified in their place.

SECT. 22. No person shall be eligible for election or appointment to any office established by this act, unless at the time of election he shall have been a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city for at least three months. Any office established by or under this act shall become vacant if the incumbent thereof ceases to be a resident of the city.

SECT. 23. I. A municipal court is hereby established to be denominated the municipal court of South Portland, and to consist of one justice who shall be an inhabitant of said town and a person of sobriety of manners. Said judge shall be appointed as provided by law for the appointment of judges of municipal and police courts and shall be, ex-officio, a justice of the peace and of the quorum for the state, and have and exercise concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices of the county of Cumberland over all matters and things within their jurisdiction, and such authority and jurisdiction additional thereto as are conferred upon him by this act.

II. Said court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of all offenses against the ordinances and by-laws of said city, and concurrent jurisdiction of all such criminal offenses and misdemeanors committed therein as are cognizable by trial justices, and concurrent jurisdiction of all civil actions in the county of Cumberland wherein the debt or damages demanded do not exceed twenty dollars.

III. Nothing in this act shall be construed to give said court jurisdiction of any civil action in which the title to real estate, according to the pleadings or brief statement filed therein by either party, is in question; and all such actions brought therein shall be removed to the supreme judicial court, or otherwise disposed of as in like cases before a trial justice.

IV. Said court shall be held on the first and third Saturday of each month, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, for the transaction of civil business, at such place within said city as said judge shall determine; but the council may at any time, provide a court room

in which case the court shall be held therein, and all civil processes shall be made returnable accordingly; and it may be adjourned from time to time, by the judge at his discretion; but it shall be considered in constant session for the cognizance of criminal actions.

V. If said judge is prevented by any cause from attending at the time said court is to be held for civil business, it may be adjourned from day to day by a constable of said city, or any deputy sheriff residing therein, without detriment to any action then returnable or pending, until he can attend, when said action may be entered or disposed of with the same effect as if it were the first day of the term; and it may be so adjourned without day when necessary in which event, pending actions shall be considered as continued, and actions then returnable may be returned and entered at the next term with the same effect as if originally made returnable at said term.

VI. Said judge may establish a seal for said court, or use the seal in common use by trial justices; and in addition to the judicial duties imposed upon him by this act, he shall keep the records of said court or cause them to be made and kept; and perform all other duties required of similar tribunals in this state; and copies of such records duly certified by said judge shall be legal evidence in all courts. All writs and processes issuing from said court shall be in the usual form, bear the teste of the judge, and be signed by him; and shall be served as like precepts are required to be served when issued by trial justices. But warrants in criminal cases issuing from said court shall be made returnable before the same; and no writ in a civil action shall be made returnable at a term of said court to begin more than two calendar months after the commencement of the action.

VII. Actions in said court shall be entered on the first day of the term and not afterwards, except by special permission. When a defendant, legally served, fails to enter his appearance by himself or his attorney, on the first day of the return term, he shall be defaulted; but if he afterwards appears during the term, the

court may, for sufficient cause, permit the default to be taken off. Pleas in abatement must be filed on or before the day of the entry of the action. The defendant may file his pleadings, which shall be the general issue with a brief statement of special matters of defense, on or before the return day of the writ, and must file them on or before the first day of the next term, or he shall be defaulted, unless the court for good cause, enlarge the time, for which it may impose reasonable terms. Actions in which the defendant files his pleadings on the return day, and all actions of forcible entry and detainer, seasonably answered to, shall be in order for trial at the return term, and shall remain so until tried or otherwise finally disposed of, unless continued by consent or on motion of either party for good cause, in which latter case, the court may impose such terms as it deems reasonable; but all other actions, unless defaulted or finally disposed of, shall be continued as of course, and be in order for trial at the next term.

VIII. The judge of said court may demand and receive the same fees as are allowed to trial justices in similar cases, except that he shall be entitled to fifty cents for a complaint and warrant in criminal actions, twenty-five cents for the entry in a civil action, and one dollar for the trial of an issue, civil or criminal, and two dollars for every day after the first, occupied in such trial, to be paid by the plaintiff in civil actions and recovered by him as costs, if he prevail in the suit; and the fees so received by the said judge shall be payment in full for his services.

IX. The costs and fees allowed to parties, attorneys and witnesses, in all actions in said court, shall be the same as allowed by trial justices in actions before them; except that the plaintiff, if he prevail, shall be allowed one dollar for his writ, and the defendant, if he prevail, one dollar for his pleadings.

X. Any party may appeal from a sentence or judgment of said court to the then next term for civil or criminal business, as the case may require, to the court having jurisdiction within the county of Cumberland, by appeal from trial justices; and such appeal shall be taken and prosecuted in the same manner as from a sentence or judgment of a trial justice.

XI. Trial justices are hereby restricted from exercising any jurisdiction in said South Portland over any matter or thing, civil or criminal, except such as are within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and of the quorum, and except that they may issue warrants on complaints for criminal offenses returnable before said court; or in case of the death, disability or long continued absence from the state, of the judge, before themselves or some other trial justice within and for said county; provided that said restrictions shall be suspended until the said judge shall be appointed and enter upon the duties of his office.

SECT. 24. The members of the school committees first elected under the provisions of this charter, at their first meeting shall designate by lot, three of their number to hold office for three years, three for two years, and one for one year, and shall allot one member to represent each of said seven wards. Each member elected thereafter to fill the place of one whose term expires, shall hold office three years. They shall fill all vacancies in their number until the next annual election. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. They shall have all the powers and perform all the duties in regard to the care and management of the public schools of said town which are now conferred upon superintending school committees by the laws of this state, including the employment of all teachers.

They may annually, and whenever there is a vacancy, elect a superintendent of schools, who may be a member of the committee, for the current municipal year, who shall have the care and supervision of said public schools under their direction, and act as secretary of their board; they shall fix his salary at the time of his election, which shall not be increased nor diminished during the year for which he is elected, and may at any time dismiss him if they deem it proper or expedient. A suitable and convenient room shall be furnished by the city for the meetings of said committee, wherein shall be kept their records open to the inspection of the citizens.

The said committee shall annually, before the spring election, furnish to the city council an estimate in detail of the several sums

required during the ensuing year for the support of said public schools, and they shall not increase the expenditures beyond the amount appropriated therefor.

The mayor shall be, ex-officio, chairman of the school committee but shall have no vote unless the members present and voting be equally divided.

SECT. 25. The city council may lay out, maintain and repair all main drains or common sewers in said city, in manner and form prescribed by statute.

SECT. 26. General meetings of the citizens, qualified to vote in the city affairs, may, from time to time, be held to consult upon the public good, to instruct their representatives, and to take all lawful measures to obtain redress of any grievances according to the rights secured to the people by the constitution of this state; and such meetings shall be duly warned by the mayor and aldermen upon requisition of twenty qualified voters. The city clerk shall act as clerk of such meetings and record the proceedings upon the city records.

SECT. 27. A town meeting may be held at the usual place of meeting, in said town, for the purpose of submitting the question of the acceptance of this act to the legal voters of said town at any time within five years after the passage thereof, except in the months of September and November. At such meeting the polls shall be open from eight o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon and the vote shall be taken by written or printed ballots in answer to the question, "Shall the act passed by the legislature in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five entitled an act to incorporate the city of South Portland be accepted." The selectmen shall preside at such election and use a check list. The affirmative votes of a majority of the voters present and voting thereon shall be required for its acceptance. If at any meeting so held this act shall fail to be thus accepted, it may, at the expiration of six months from any such previous meeting, be again thus submitted for acceptance, but not after the period of five years from the passage thereof. Such meetings shall be called as provided for by general laws of the

state for calling and holding meetings for the transaction of town business.

SECT. 28. The passage of this act shall not affect any right accruing or accrued, or any suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings pending at the time when it shall take effect by acceptance as herein provided for, and no penalty or forfeiture previously incurred shall be affected thereby. All persons holding office in said town at the time this act shall be accepted as aforesaid, shall continue to hold such offices until the organization of the city government hereby authorized shall be effected, and until their respective successors shall be chosen and qualified.

SECT. 29. So much of this act as authorizes the submission of the question of its acceptance to the legal voters of the said town, shall take effect upon its passage, but it shall not take further effect unless accepted by the legal voters of said town, as herein prescribed, in which case all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 22, 1895.

Warrant for Town Meeting.

Warrant for a Town Meeting of the legal voters of the town of South Portland in accordance with Chapter 242, Section 16 of the Private and Special Laws, year 1895, entitled, "An act to incorporate the City of South Portland."

TO LLEWELLYN B. BRADFORD, *of the Town of South Portland,*
in the County of Cumberland. GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of said Town of South Portland, to assemble at Golden Cross Hall, Knightville, in said Town, on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1899, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, to wit :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To give in their votes "for the purpose of choosing a mayor, seven aldermen, a school committee of seven, and seven constables to be taken from the city at large; said officers shall be elected by a plurality vote."

The polls will close at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the town office for the purpose of correcting the list of voters, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 2d, 3d and 4th days of March, A. D. 1899, from 10 A. M. to 5 o'clock P. M. each day.

Given under our hands this 20th day of February, A. D. 1899.

THOMAS B. HASKELL,	}	<i>Selectmen</i>
CHARLES N. TREFETHEN,		<i>of</i>
WILLIAM L. BRADFORD,		<i>South Portland.</i>

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