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Thirty-Sixth Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Holden,

FOR THE

Year Ending March 5, '88.

Printed by THOMAS W. BURR, Bangor, 1888.
No. 4, Rollins District.

Summer Term.—Length of term, 10 weeks; whole number attending, 13; average attendance, 8; wages of teacher, $2.50 per week; board, $1.20 per week; instances of tardiness, 7; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 1. Miss Andrews taught both of these schools.

Fall Term.—Length of term, 12 weeks; whole number attending, 19; average attendance, 12; wages of teacher, $3.50 per week; board, $1.25 per week; instances of tardiness, 12; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 0. The teacher's methods are modern, and quite systematic. The school is easy to govern, and the scholars orderly. Her work as shown by the examination has been quite satisfactory.

No. 5, Mann District.

The school for the entire year has been under the instruction of Miss Melvina M. Day. Length of summer term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 11; average attendance, 9; wages of teacher, $3.00 per week; board, $1.50 per week; instances of tardiness, 34; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 2. Length of winter term, 10 weeks; whole number attending, 14; average attendance, 11; wages of teacher, $6.00 per week, including board; instances of tardiness, 81; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 0. The summer term was successful. At the closing examination of the winter term we found only six scholars in attendance. For some reason or other, there was a lack of sympathy between the teacher and some of her pupils, which detracted somewhat from the efficiency of the school.

No. 6, Clewley District.

The Summer and Fall terms were taught by Miss Emma Clark. Length of summer term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 29; average attendance, 27; wages of teacher, $4.00 per week; board, $1.50 per week; instances of tardiness, 12; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 13. Length of Fall term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 28; average attendance, 21; wages of teacher, $4.00 per week; board, $1.50 per week; instances of tardiness, 38; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 2. Miss Clark is a Normal scholar, and her methods of teaching were different from those used in this school a year ago. These schools were well attended and there was a decided advancement from the commencement to the close of each term.

Winter Term.—Mr. S. S. Smith, teacher. Length of term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 28; average attendance, 25; wages of teacher, $28.00 per month; board, $2.00 per week; instances of tardiness, 26; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 3. During the term of school the teacher has given proof of the highest capacity in the management of this school, and has earned the entire confidence of the district. We seldom have attended an examination at the close of the year, in which all of the classes appeared so well, and seemed to comprehend so fully the several branches which they had been pursuing.
No. 7, Rowe District.

Summer Term.—Miss Ruthie E. Field, teacher. Length of term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 9; average attendance, 8; wages of teacher, $2.75 per week; board, $1.45 per week; instances of tardiness, 21; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 1. In this school the government was good. The teacher labored for the advancement of her pupils, and we were well satisfied with the results.

Winter Term.—Miss Viola Andrews, teacher. Length of term, 10 weeks; whole number attending, 14; average attendance, 11; wages of teacher, $4.00 per week; board $1.50 per week; instances of tardiness, 12; No. of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 4. In this school the teacher showed quite a natural tact for teaching. She commanded the respect of her scholars and succeeded well.

No. 8, Burton District.

Summer Term.—Miss Fanny L. Rowell, teacher. Length of term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 10; average attendance, 9; wages of teacher, $4.00 per week; board $2.00 per week; instances of tardiness, 12; No. of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 0. Fall term was taught by Miss Nellie S. Pond. Length of term, 12 weeks; whole number attending, 12; average attendance, 9; wages of teacher $4.50 per week; board, 1.50 per week, instances of tardiness, 6; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 0. This school is composed mostly of small scholars, some of them quite smart. The teachers worked for the advancement of the school, and all that were disposed to learn showed a good improvement at the close of each term.

REMARKS.

In the various teachers of the year, we have been enriched by those who have had the advantages of the higher grade of schools. Irregular attendance, tardiness and dismissals should not be so frequent as we sometimes find it to be during the term of school; for it often damages the order of the school, impedes the progress, and hinders the advancement of whole classes.

"Whatever is worth doing is worth doing well," and whatever is worth learning is not only worth learning well, but is worth almost nothing if not learned well. The amount of ground gone over is worth very little compared with thoroughness in the subject taken up. To insure this desired thoroughness, lessons must not be too long and hard for the pupil's grasp. The teacher must have a clear idea of the subject under discussion, so that the leading points may be brought out more clearly and the pupil's mind may not be too much burdened with unimportant details.

Questions should be asked clearly, and concise, comprehensive answers required. Reviews should be frequent, either written or oral. As you are about entering upon another school year, let it be approached with renewed interest; bearing in mind, that future happiness and prosperity of your children depend very largely upon the influence under which they are educated. Influence will tell with a power that is lifelong, whether we realize it or not.

G. W. CLARK,
Supervisor of Schools.
TOWN REPORT

VALUATION OF TAXABLE PROPERTY, APRIL 1, 1887.

Valuation of Real Estate of Residents .......... $102,048 00
Valuation of Real Estate of non-residents ....... 14,076 00
Valuation of Personal Estate of Residents ...... 34,504 00
Valuation of Personal Estate of non-residents ... 428 00

$151,056 00

Rate .0162 mills on the dollar, money tax.

Amount of tax assessed on real estate of residents .... $1,653 18
Amount of tax assessed on real estate of non-residents ... 228 03
Amount of tax assessed on personal estate of residents ... 558 96
Am't of tax assessed on personal estate of non-residents ... 6 93
Number of Polls, 169, assessed at $2.50 each .......... 422 50
Deficiency of highway tax for 1886 .................. 80 48
Fractional gain .................................... 6 63

$2,956 71

PAID FOR BREAKING OUT ROADS, 1887.

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PAID FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

For Mrs. Jennie R. Barnes and family                        $ 41 10
Stephen D. Rowell                                      170 25
Samuel H. Winchester                                  13 00
Julia B. [illegible]                                    157 27
W. S. Willia and family                                153 60
W. S. Willia                                          74 98
William Treadwell                                    78 00
William Houston                                    143 00
Emily J. Tirrill                                      44 80
Augustus Blake                                       28 54
Lagreen Cushing                                     16 35
Philip D. McCartney                                    11 29
Charles Taft (tramp)                                   12 50

$944 68

Deduct amount paid and balance due from other towns........... 194 21

Making the amount paid for poor of Holden.................... $750 47

SCHOOL MONEY FOR 1887.

Amount raised by vote of town.................................. $600 00
Amount of State school fund and mill tax,.................. 364 76

$964 76

APPORTIONED AS FOLLOWS:

DISTRICT NO. 1.—No. OF SCHOLARS, 24.

Cr.

By balance due March 4, 1887................................. $ 10 74
Amount apportioned for 1887.................................. 111 43

$122 17

Dr.

To amount expended............................................ $108 80
Balance due Feb. 20, 1888................................... 13 37

$122 17

DISTRICT NO. 2.—No. OF SCHOLARS, 32.

Cr.

Overdrawn Feb. 22, 1887...................................... $  87
Amount apportioned for 1887.................................. 133 25
Received from the sale of old school house doors............ 26

$132 64

Dr.

To amount expended............................................ 156 69
Balance due Feb. 20, 1888................................... 25 95

$182 64

DISTRICT NO. 3.—No. OF SCHOLARS, 30.

Cr.

By balance due Feb. 22, 1887................................. 1 23
Amount apportioned for 1887.................................. 120 49

$121 72
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**DISTRICT NO. 4.—No. of Scholars, 23.**

Dr.

To amount expended .................. 106 94
Balance due Feb. 20, 1888 ............ 14 78

**DISTRICT NO. 5.—No. of Scholars, 21.**

Cr.

By balance due March 28, 1887 ........ 18 23
Amount apportioned for 1887 .......... 109 67

Dr.

To amount expended .................. 103 78
Balance due Feb. 20, 1888 ............ 24 12

**DISTRICT NO. 6.—No. of Scholars, 41.**

Dr.

To amount expended .................. 124 68
Overdrawn Feb. 20, 1888 ............... 23

**DISTRICT NO. 7.—No. of Scholars, 17.**

Dr.

To amount expended .................. 102 13
Balance due Feb. 20, 1888 ............ 8 38

**DISTRICT NO. 8.—No. of Scholars, 26.**

Dr.

To amount expended .................. 112 00
Balance due Feb. 20, 1888 ............ 14 19
PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

G. W. Clark, Assessor and Overseer ........... $ 69 50
A. P. Levenseller, Assessor and Overseer .......... 42 15
M. G. Gilmore, Assessor and Overseer ............ 17 50
Walter L. Hart, Constable ....................... 
P. L. Pond, Town Clerk ....................... 3 00
G. W. Clark, Supervisor of Schools ............. 32 00
Elmer E. Strout, Treasurer and Collector ...... 63 40
Alfled T. Burr, for 1883 ..................... 3 87
R. N. B. Hart, for 1886 ..................... 24 93

$256 37

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Asa S. Hart, care of town house ........... $ 3 00
" H. N. Trueworthy, services as moderator ....... 2 00
" Albert A. Pond for posting notices for March meeting 1 50
" T. W. Burr, printing town reports ............ 11 00
" C. L. Roberson, hinges for gate Centre grave yard ... 74
" C. L. Pond, setting guide post ................ 1 00
" Mrs. A. E. Williamson, right of way for John Ford ... 4 00
" Charles Freeman, perambulating town lines ........ 50
" For legal advice ................................ 1 00
" Repairs on road scraper ...................... 95
" Town books and stationery ................... 8 31
" Baldwin and Combs perambulating town lines .... 5 00
" Interest on town orders ..................... 2 30
" Discount on taxes ........................... 105 08
" Abatement of taxes, 1883 .................... 20 00
" " " 1886 .............. 20 17
" " " 1887 .............. 12 69
" Town clerk for recording births and deaths .... 96
" Book to record births and deaths ............. 95
" Stationery and postage ...................... 2 43
" Blank tax receipts, 1886 .................... 1 25
" A. F. Cook for pasturing cow and steer ........ 2 00
" A. B. Farrington for adjusting the account of the town of Holden with G. F. Winchester .................. 75

$207 58

PAY OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

G. C. Wiswell ....................... 4 50
P. L. Pond ....................... 4 50
Alex Tirrill ....................... 4 00

$13 00
Dr. ELMER E. STROUT, Treasurer and Collector,

1887.

To amount of taxes committed June 1, raised by vote of town as follows:

For support of Schools ........................................ $600 00
support of Poor .................................................. 700 00
repair of roads and bridges .................................... 100 00
pay of Town Officers ............................................ 200 00
breaking out roads ............................................... 200 00
discount on taxes ............................................... 100 00
incidental expenses ............................................ 100 00

Total raised by votes of town ................................ $2,000 00
State tax for 1887 ................................................ $482 37
County tax for 1887 .............................................. 253 37
For overlaying and fractional gains ........................... 140 49
For deficiency of highway tax, 1887 ........................... 80 48

Total taxes committed to Collector, $2,956 71.

Amount received from R. N. B. Hart, 1886.
To cash received from A. T. Burr, 1883 $148 58
  "  "  "  F. M. Rogers, 1882 23
  "  "  "  sale of old doors of Centre district. .. 26
  "  "  "  Rockland ................................................. 28 70
  "  "  "  Steuben ................................................. 126 76
  "  "  "  Brewer .................................................. 16 35
  "  "  "  sale of Town stock .................................... 22 50
  "  "  "  R. R. and Telegraph tax ............................. 8 65
To cash for use of hearse out of town ........................ 2 00
  "  "  received from Eddington ................................. 18 00
Interest on State school fund and mill tax .................. 372 27

$3,711 01

Dr. R. N. B. HART, Treasurer and Collector, 1886,

To balance due March 7, 1887 .................................. $1,106 37

Dr. GEORGE F. WINCHESTER, Treasurer and Collector, 1885.
To balance due March 1, 1888 .................................. $76 42

Dr. ALFRED T. BURR, Treasurer and Collector, 1833,

To balance due March 1, 1888 .................................. $174 95

Dr. F. M. ROGERS, Treasurer and Collector, 1882.
To balance due March 1, 1888 .................................. $0 23

Dr. J. P. ROBINSON, Treasurer and Collector, 1880,
To balance due March 1, 1888 .................................. $9 75
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STATEMENT OF TOWN FINANCES.—ASSETS.

Town's indebtedness of 1887 ............................... $300 68
Balance due from Collector of 1886 ........................... 76 44
" " " " 1885 ............................................. 76 42
" " " " 1880 ............................................. 9 75
Due from Rockland ........................................ 18 00

$175 61

Total Indebtedness of Town ................................ $125.07

There are two other claims, which are due and will have to be paid, that we did not receive in season to put into the pauper account:
Samuel H. Winchester ........................................ $ 45 00
Emily J. Tirrill .................................................. 84 00

$129 00

G. W. CLARK, Selectmen
A. P. LEVENSELLER, of
M. G. GILMORE, Holden.

Holden, March 5, 1888.
REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS, OF HOLDEN.

For the Year ending March, 1888.

No. 1 Wiswell District.

Summer Term.—Miss Grace Levenseller, teacher. Length of term, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars attending, 9; average attendance, 8; wages of teacher, $3.00 per week; board $1.50 per week; instances of tardiness, 6; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 5. We found good order and as much interest as could be expected in a school of so few scholars. A good degree of improvement at the examination exercises at the close of the term.

Fall Term. Miss Susie M. Hart, teacher. Length of term, 11 weeks; whole number attending, 18; average attendance, 11 1-2; wages of teacher, $4.00 per week; board, $1.50 per week. Instances of tardiness, 47; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 4. This school made great advancement, was well attended. The teacher did credit to herself in thoroughness, ability and scholarship, and is destined to make one of the best teachers in our midst.

No. 2, Center District.

Summer Term.—Miss Sadie E. Gilmore, teacher. Length of term, 10 weeks; whole number attending, 16; average attendance, 12; wages of teacher, $3.75 per week; board, $1.00 per week; instances of tardiness, 12; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 2.

Fall term was also taught by Miss Gilmore. Length of term, 12 weeks; whole number attending, 20; average attendance, 13; wages of teacher, $3.75 per week; board, $1.00 per week; instances of tardiness, 5; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 1. Miss Gilmore fully sustained her former reputation as a pleasant and profitable teacher. Much better results will be obtained in cases like this, to continue the same teacher until it is evident a change is required.

No. 3, South District.

Summer and Fall terms were taught by Miss Lillie J. Day. Length of summer term, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 17; average number, 14; wages of teacher, $3.00 per week; board, $1.25 per week; instances of tardiness, 36; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 5. Length of fall term, 12 weeks; whole number attending, 18; average attendance, 15; wages of teacher, $4.00 per week; board, $1.50 per week; instances of tardiness, 26; number of pupils not absent 1-2 day, 1. Miss Day has the advantage of a long experience in teaching, and has taught these schools with entire satisfaction to all.