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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN,
TREASURER,
AND
Superintending School Committee

OF THE

TOWN OF LIVERMORE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 16, 1887.

LEWISTON, MAINE:
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TOWN OFFICERS.

Elected March 15, 1886.

C. W. FULLER, 

*Dr. C. E. KNIGHT,
R. R. REED,
G. T. PIPER,
C. F. PIKE,
I. T. MONROE,
R. B. BRADFORD,
C. L. DAY,
R. A. RYERSON,
A. G. TIMBERLAKE,
GEORGE MONROE,

Moderator.

{ Clerks.

Selectmen, Assessors, and
Overseers of Poor.

Treasurer.

Superintending
School Committee.

Collector and Constable.

* Resigned.
REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

Valuation of the Town, April 1, 1886:

Real Estate, $311,487 00
Personal Estate, 72,298 00

Total Valuation, $383,785 00

Real Estate exempted from taxation, exclusive of Town Farm, $318 00

Amounts raised by the town, March, 1886:

For schools, $1,025 00
For free high school, 150 00
Roads and bridges, 600 00
Town charges, 1,500 00
Principal of war debt, 400 00
Decorating soldiers' graves, 15 00

Total, $3,690 00

Amount assessed and committed to George Monroe, Collector of Livermore:

For town charges, $3,690 00
State tax, 1,619 14
County tax, 580 45
Highway deficiency, 11 26
Overlay, 219 21

$6,120 06

The above sum was committed to the Collector, with a warrant in due form of law, for collecting and paying to the State, County, and Town Treasurers the sum due each respectively, on or before the first day of February, 1887. Non-resident taxes not subject to this rule.

Number of taxable polls, 368; tax on poll, $2.00; rate per cent., .014.
TOWN FARM.

We are convinced that to profitably manage a Town Farm requires not only the every day duties of the Superintendent, but plenty of additional labor, with a commensurate outlay for such necessaries as will increase the value of marketable products. For the past year the Town Farm has been under the management of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Turner, whose time under the present contract expires the first day of April. When they accepted this position their salary was made conditional by reason of the onerous duties devolving on them, and they were given the privilege of hiring some person to assist in the care of Elias Dunn, who was helpless and bedridden; such help to be discharged at the death of said Dunn, whenever this event should transpire. This happened on the 12th of September, 1886.

By reason of the ability and judgment of Mr. Turner and the assistant help of G. H. Berry, so long as he remained, excellent crops were harvested from the Farm, especially corn and potatoes, the quality of such being unexcelled by any raised in town. At the present time there are two paupers at the Farm, Delia Stevens and Joseph Palmer, the latter coming the first of January.

We extend to Mr. and Mrs. Turner our thanks for the ready manner in which they have responded to our wishes, and congratulate them upon the success of their administration.

TOWN FARM EXPENSES, $402 78

Made up of the following items:

Superintendent's salary, $226 07
Grain and hauling, 41 33
Extra labor, 10 50
Dr. C. E. Knight, 7 50
A. W. Coolidge, bill for supplies over and above credit, 45 50
Other supplies, 17 89
Paid for barrels and hauling, 8 68
Paid for toll, 1 44
Paid for hog and shoats, 13 00
Paid for making cider, 2 52
Sundry articles, 13 35
Funeral expenses of Elias Dunn, 15 00

$402 78
### Town Farm Credit

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<td><strong>Balance against Farm</strong></td>
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### Schedule of Personal Property on hand at Town Farm, February 13, 1886:

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<td>Fifteen hens</td>
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<td>Barrel cider</td>
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<td>Beef and pork</td>
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### Schedule of Personal Property on hand, February 15, 1887:

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<td>Corn</td>
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<td>Oats</td>
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<tr>
<td>Barrel cider</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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Beans, $2 00
Pork and beef, 22 90
Groceries on hand, 12 91

--- $266 91

Decrease in value of personal property, February 15, 1887, $10.35, which, added to the balance against the Farm, $166.08, makes the actual cost of running the Town Farm for the past year, $176.43.

Note.—During the past year eleven tramps have been accommodated with lodgings at the Town Farm.

Support of Poor off the Farm, consisting of the following items:

- Julia A. White, $65 00
- Goen Dorr (burial), 19 45
- Joseph Palmer, 16 55
- Mrs. R. N. Norton, 8 47
- F. B. Bigelow's bill of 1884, by vote of town, 15 03
- Expenses looking after paupers, 12 95

Total cost for support of poor off Farm, $137 45
Total cost of poor at Town Farm, 176 43

Total, $313 88

EXPENSE AT INSANE HOSPITAL.

July 29, 1886, we were notified that Simon Philbrook, then at Isaac Gifford's, was violently insane, requiring immediate attention. We therefore, by proper means committed him to the Hospital at Augusta. Great difficulty was found in ascertaining his proper residence, but finally Greenbush partially admitted that it was in their town. Since Philbrook's dismissal from the Hospital, Greenbush has denied, and at the present time we have forwarded the bills to the Governor and Council, which have been allowed, and will be paid in a reasonable time.

- Insane Hospital Bill, $45 70
- Other expenses, of which $12 remains unpaid, 30 75

Total, $76 45
HIGHWAYS.

The Town voted to raise the sum of $1,000, to be expended in labor and material on the highways. The same was duly assessed and committed to the several highway surveyors, according to the requirements of the law.

The Town voted to raise $600, to be expended on roads and bridges, under the direction of the Selectmen.

The supervision of the road-machine was assigned to Mr. C. F. Pike, and under his direction there was expended in turn-piking thirteen and one-half miles of road, $585 02

Other expenditures for roads and bridges are as follows,

Land damage to Dana Pollard, 65 00
For Rollins Bridge, 47 90
Repairing road near the Umbagog Pulp Company's Mill, 59 00
Other road repairs, 126 40
One yoke and bows, 4 00
Total expenditures on roads and bridges, summer of 1886, $887 32

Amount of snow bills paid individuals over and above their highway tax, 326 96

$1214 28

OXEN BOUGHT AND SOLD DURING THE YEAR.

Bought of T. N. Spaulding, one pair, $128 00
" W. G. Griffith, " 140 00
" S. D. Washburn, " 147 50
" R. D. Leavitt, " 170 00
" G. T. Piper, " 145 00

$730 50

Sold the above oxen for 724 56

Loss on cattle, 5 94
Interest on money used in purchasing, 9 45

Making a total cost of ox-labor on roads and Town Farm, $15 39
HILLMAN'S FERRY.

Total expenses at Hillman's Ferry, $85 76
Of which East Livermore has paid 36 28

Livermore's proportion, $49 48

HEARSE.

The hearse for the past year has been in the care of J. P. Bowles.
Up to this date the cost for services at $1.50 per trip is $37 50
Repairs and cloth-cover for hearse, 14 00
Due on last year's account, 4 50

Total amount paid, $56 00

ABATEMENTS.

Uncollected non-resident taxes of 1885, $4 50
" non-resident taxes of 1886, 2 10
" resident taxes of 1886, 34 65

$41 25

SCHOOLS.

Due the several School Districts, February 12, 1886, $569 22
Appropriated by the Town, 1,025 00
State School Fund, 567 51
Town School Fund, 108 43

$2,270 16

Orders have been drawn for the several Districts to the amount of 2,064 71

Balance due the several Districts, $205 45

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

The town voted to appropriate $300, of which we assessed $150, the balance to be refunded by the State. There has been expended up to date $138.

DECORATING SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

The town voted to raise, to be expended by Kimball Post, G. A. R., $15.
MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS.

Paid Geo. Monroe for collecting taxes, $168 30
for printing reports for 1885, 16 00
E. A. Morse, use of oxen, year 1884, $1 50
for books, 12 35
Trustees of Ministerial and School Fund, 19 50
Legal advice, 13 00
Error in assessment, 9 80

$240 45

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

G. T. Piper, Selectman, Assessor, etc., $75 00
C. F. Pike, 48 00
I. T. Monroe, 45 00
C. L. Day, Superintending School Committee, 22 00
R. A. Ryerson, 24 00
A. G. Timberlake, 21 75
R. B. Bradford, Treasurer, 20 00
R. R. Reed, Clerk, 15 00
H. B. Bradford, Treasurer of Ministerial and School Fund, 12 00

$282 75

RESOURCES.

(Exclusive of Town Farm, Stock, etc.)

Due on uncollected non-resident taxes of 1886, $49 43
Cash in treasury, 673 49

Total, $722 92

LIABILITIES.

Unpaid school orders, $60 50
Unpaid municipal orders, 22 58
Due the several school districts, 205 45
Use of vestry, 13 00
Town officers' bills, 282 75
Outstanding claims, estimated, 50 00

$636 28

Resources over Liabilities, $86 64
RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Town charges, $1,500 00
For highways and bridges, 600 00
For war debt, 400 00
For schools, 1,025 00
For free high school, 150 00
Decorating soldiers' graves, 15 00
Overlay, 219 21
Deficient highways, 11 26

$3,920 47

Cash in treasury, Feb. 13, 1886, $1,096 08
Cash borrowed for oxen, 540 00
Abatements collected, 3 64
Town Farm credit, 236 69
Town school fund, 108 43
State school fund, 567 51
Tuition, 1 75
Sale of oxen, 724 56
Highway taxes, 25 57
East Livermore, for ferry, 36 28

$3,340 51

$7,260 98

EXPENDITURES.

Cost for support of poor at Town Farm, $402 78
Cost for support of poor off Town Farm, 137 45
Insane Hospital, 63 45
Highways and bridges, 1,214 28
Paid for oxen, 730 50
Hillman's ferry, 85 76
Hearse, 56 00
Abatements, 41 25
Schools, 2,064 71
Free high school, 138 00
Decorating soldiers' graves, 15 00
Miscellaneous orders, 240 45
Order for borrowed money, 540 00
Paid town officers' bills for 1885, $273 00
Use of vestry for 1885, 15 00
Balance of Superintendent's salary, 1885, 96 93
Paid balance of war debt, 400 00
Outstanding orders, Feb. 13, 1886, 82 22
Paid interest, 24 36

Total, $6,621 14

Due the several school districts, 205 45
Due for use of vestry, 15 00
Due for town officers' bills for 1886, 282 75
Outstanding claims, estimated, 50 00

$7,174 34

Which, subtracted from the total receipts, leaves a balance in the treasury of $86 64

It gives us pleasure to announce to the tax-payers of Livermore that the last dollar of debt has been paid, and that enough money to cancel all outstanding orders and pay Town Officers' bills due for past services, still remains in the Treasurer's hands. We also feel gratified at the promptness and efficiency of your Collector for the past year in collecting the taxes due up to Feb. 1st, 1887, and call your attention to the fact that this is the second time that this has been accomplished within the history of the town. Citizens of Livermore, now that we are out of debt, let us keep out of debt.

G. T. PIPER,
CHAS. F. PIKE,
I. T. MONROE,
Selectmen of Livermore.

CARD.

Thanking the citizens of Livermore for the courteous manner in which they have invariably treated me for the past two years, I decline being a candidate for re-election.

Respectfully,

CHAS. F. PIKE.
TREASURER’S REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Livermore:

I herewith submit a report of the financial operations of the Treasury of your town for the year ending February 17, 1887.

R. B. Bradford, Treasurer,
in account with the Town of Livermore.

To balance brought forward from settlement with Selectmen, February 12, 1886, Dr.
Due on uncollected non-resident taxes, 1884, $29 25
" " " 1885, 64 89
Cash in Treasury, 1,001 94

$1,096 08

To abatements collected of 1884-5, by G. T. Piper, 3 64
Cash loaned the town to buy road team, 540 00
for potatoes sold from Town Farm, by C. F. Pike, 10 03
for Griffith oxen, by G. T. Piper, 150 00
assessment committed to George Monroe, 1886, 3,920 47
Cash for tax deed delivered to C. Dennen, 50
Town School Fund for 1886, by S. D. Washburn, 108 43
Cash for four calves sold from Town Farm, by I. T. Monroe,
East Livermore part of expense of Hillman’s Ferry, by I. T. Monroe, 36 28
for highway taxes of Daniel Goding, by I. T. Monroe, 9 74
for balance of highway taxes of C. F. Roberts, Frank Richmond, A. W. Coolidge, E. Boothby, W. Turner, and F. S. Richmond, by I. T. Monroe, 10 49
for Spaulding oxen, by C. F. Pike, 136 54
Highway tax and lumber sold J. M. Prescott, 5 34
To cash for Washburn oxen, by C. F. Pike, $142.50
Ryerson oxen, " " 140.52
Apples sold from Town Farm, by I. T. Monroe, 66.75
Butter " " " " 15.35
Cheese " " " " 66.76
Oats and poultry sold from Town Farm, by
I. T. Monroe, 14.60
Pork sold from Town Farm by I. T. Monroe, 42.20
Tuition of non-resident scholar to free high
school, 1.75
School Fund and mill tax for 1886, 567.51
Leavitt oxen, 155.00

Total, $7,261.48

R. B. Bradford, Treasurer,
in account with the Town of Livermore.

Cr.
By paid balance of war debt, $400.00
Free high school orders, 138.00
School orders and interest, 2,013.94
Municipal orders and interest, 3,986.12
For one tax deed, 50
Due on uncollected non-resident taxes, 1886, 49.43
Cash in treasury, 673.49

Total, $7,261.48

R. B. Bradford, Treasurer of Livermore.
REPORT OF S. S. COMMITTEE,
For the Year Ending March 1, 1887.

DISTRICT No. 1.—ELWYN TEAGUE, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 28. Summer Term of eight weeks was taught by Miss Lillian Boothby. Whole number of scholars attending, 23; average number, 20. This was Miss Boothby's first attempt at teaching, and she did well. Scholars were orderly and industrious at each visit.

Winter Term of twelve weeks was taught by Miss Mary E. Pollard. Whole number of scholars attending, 26; average number, 18. This was a good school. Miss Pollard is an able, thorough, and systematic teacher. We hope she will continue to teach in our schools.

DISTRICT No. 2.—O. A. BARKER, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 52. Summer Term. Miss Victoria A. St. Clair, teacher. Whole number of scholars attending, 35; average number, 31. Length of school, ten weeks. This school presented a pleasing appearance at each of our visits. The teacher showed an earnestness and enthusiasm which was emulated by her pupils. They seemed ready to respond to any wish of their teacher, and made commendable progress.

Full Term. Mrs. Alma S. Eaton, teacher. Whole number of scholars attending, 36; average, 31. Length of school, eleven weeks. We were very much pleased with the character of this term's work. Universal enthusiasm was manifested in all departments of school work.

Winter Term. Mr. Asa G. Timberlake, teacher. Whole number attending, 23; average, 19. This term's work we think to be solid and enduring, good order being maintained. In every way it was a successful term.

DISTRICT No. 3.—A. F. RUSSELL, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 19. Summer Term. Miss Ella A. Adkins, teacher. Whole number of scholars attending, 5;
average, 4. Length of school, six weeks. Although without the stimulus of large numbers, Miss Adkins did faithful work. Her scholars manifested a good interest, and we think made good progress.

Winter Term. Miss Laura Sylvester, of Leeds, teacher. Whole number attending, 11; average, 7. This is Miss Sylvester's second term in this town. She has received good training, and is one of our best teachers. The scholars in this school, now in session, manifest unusual earnestness, which, if continued, will show good results in the future.

DISTRICT No. 4.—T. N. SPAULDING, Agent.
Whole number of scholars in district, 10. Summer Term. Miss Alice Bradbury, teacher. Whole number attending, 7; average, 6. There was some very good work done in this school. Miss Bradbury is one of the best of our younger scholars. All of her scholars did not seem desirous of an orderly appearance, but another term's work, on her part, we are confident will show better results.

Fall Term. Miss Ella Adkins, teacher. Whole number attending, 8; average number, 6. Miss Adkins succeeded in controlling her pupils, and awakening an interest in such a way as to produce good results.

DISTRICT No. 5.—M. CAMPBELL, Agent.
Whole number of scholars in district, 35. Summer Term of eight weeks was taught by Miss Rossie E. Williams of Turner. Whole number of scholars attending, 15; average number, 14. This was a poor school. The scholars were disorderly and inattentive. No teacher can be successful without evincing more tact than she manifested in this school.

Fall Term was taught by Mrs. Hattie Coolidge. Whole number of scholars attending, 27; average number, 23. Length of school, eight weeks. This was a good school. Mrs. Coolidge has had much experience, and she used it to good advantage.

Miss Susie L. Gordon taught the Winter Term of ten weeks. Whole number of scholars registered, 20; average number attending, 17. Miss Gordon is a competent and faithful teacher. She labored more to have her pupils thorough in their studies rather than go over much ground, which we heartily approve.

DISTRICT No. 6.—MARCUS KEITH, Agent.
Whole number of scholars in district, 21. The Summer Term of seven weeks was taught by Miss Emma A. Timberlake. Whole
number attending, 13; average number, 9. The school appeared orderly, and the final examinations gave evidence that good, thorough work had been done.

Mr. J. P. Hinds taught the Winter Term of nine weeks. Whole number registered, 17; average number attending, 15. Mr. Hinds is a practical teacher, infusing energy into all his pupils, thus making the school-room a pleasant place, as well as one of labor.

DISTRICT No. 7.—W. H. THOMPSON, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 16. Summer Term of seven weeks was taught by Miss Estella Thompson. Whole number of scholars registered, 6; average attendance, 5. This was Miss Thompson's first attempt at teaching, and she did very well for this school. We think with added years and experience she may make a good teacher.

Winter Term. Mr. M. H. Small, teacher. This term is now in progress, and with the ripe experience and thorough training of Mr. Small, a school of great profit may be expected.

DISTRICT No. 8.—E. HINKLEY, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 21. Summer Term. Mrs. Hattie L. Coolidge, teacher. Whole number of scholars attending, 14; average attendance, 12. Length of school, eight weeks. Teacher and scholars did earnest work. Mrs. Coolidge is a fine teacher, and the pupils here are evidently desirous of making a good record.

Winter Term. Miss Annie R. Lovewell, teacher. Whole number of scholars registered, 21; average attendance, 17. Length of school, seven weeks. This was Miss Lovewell's third term in this district. In the matter of arousing the interest, and winning the sympathy of all her pupils, we can not call this the most successful of her schools; yet we saw many evidences of earnest and successful work on the part of both teacher and scholars, and no pupil, with persistent application, need have failed of making satisfactory progress.

DISTRICT No. 9.—H. B. KEITH, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 20. Summer Term. Miss Ida M. Keith, teacher. Whole number of scholars registered, 8; average attendance, 7. Length of school, eight weeks.

Miss Keith also taught the Winter Term of twelve weeks. Whole number registered, 11; average attendance, 9.5. The school
progressed finely during each of these terms. Miss Keith is a young teacher, these being her first terms, but she possesses such ability in disciplining a school, and interesting her pupils, as can not fail to make her a superior teacher.

DISTRICT No. 10.—MR. FRANK ROSE, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 24. The Summer Term of nine weeks was taught by Miss Ruthie F. Robinson. Whole number of scholars attending, 15; average number, 14. Miss Robinson succeeded in gaining the regard of her pupils who were thoroughly interested throughout the term, the results of which were highly satisfactory.

R. B. Bradford taught the Winter Term of nine weeks. Whole number registered, 17; average attendance, 14. Mr. Bradford, as usual, kept a good school. Good advancement was made and work thoroughly done.

DISTRICT No. 11.—L. A. WING, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 11. Only a Summer Term of eleven weeks was taught in this district. Miss Iza M. Coburn, teacher. Whole number of scholars attending, 7; average number, 6. The school appeared well at our visits. A good degree of interest was manifested for a school so few in numbers. It was Miss Coburn's first school, and we think she did well.

DISTRICT No. 12.—W. L. SEYMOUR, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 23. Mrs. Alma S. Eaton taught the Summer Term of nine weeks. Whole number of scholars registered, 11; average attendance, 9. Mrs. Eaton's natural ability for controlling and interesting her pupils, trained by experience, has placed her among our very best teachers. This was her fourth term in this district, and like all her preceding terms was one of profit.

Winter Term, Chas. L. Day, teacher. Whole number of scholars attending, 12; average number, 9. Length of school, eleven weeks. This was in every sense a good school. The work was of an enduring character.

DISTRICT No. 13.—S. N. GIFFORD, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in district, 9. Miss Annie R. Lovewell taught the Summer Term of eight weeks. Whole number of scholars in attendance, 8; average number, 6. This teacher did
well with this school. Good proficiency was made in all the studies pursued. A few writing books were presented, which showed decided improvement.

The Winter Term of seven weeks was taught by Miss Annie C. Hinds. Whole number of scholars registered, 11; average attendance, 7. We were much pleased with the school at both our visits. The teacher seemed to be faithful and competent. The scholars appeared to be interested, and good progress was made.

**DISTRICT No. 14.—J. H. THING, Agent.**

Whole number of scholars in district, 21. Summer Term, Miss Lillie S. Bemis, teacher. Whole number of scholars registered, 12; average attendance, 9. Length of term, eight weeks. Miss Bemis also taught the Winter Term of nine weeks, with the same number of pupils in attendance. Good order, earnestness in study, and all the characteristics of a good school were noticeable in both these terms, and marked progress was made.

**DISTRICT No. 15.—Wm. SOULE, Agent.**

Whole number of scholars in district, 13. Miss Sadie A. Beals, of Canton, taught the Summer Term of nine weeks. Whole number of scholars attending, 3; average attendance, 3. Miss Beals did all we could reasonably expect any teacher to do with so small a school. The scholars learned well, yet with a larger number more benefit would have been derived.

Winter Term of eight weeks was taught by Miss Mamie A. Beals, of Canton. Whole number in attendance, 5; average, 5. What we have said in regard to Summer Term will well apply to this.

**DISTRICT No. 16.—E. E. FULLER, Agent.**

Whole number of scholars in district, 12. Summer Term. Miss Annie Lovewell, teacher. Whole number in attendance, 10; average, 9. This term's work was very profitable. At our last visit we saw evidence of careful and conscientious work done by teacher and scholars. Miss Lovewell has taught several terms in this district in a very successful manner.

The Full Term was taught by Miss Thompson, of Hartford. Although a very few attended this term, owing to other schools in town, yet Miss Thompson's work appeared to be well done, in a very pleasing way.

**DISTRICT No. 17.**

Whole number of scholars, 7. Miss Sadie Allen, of Jay, taught the only term for the year, in the Winter. Whole number in at-
Miss Allen is an energetic teacher, getting the goodwill of her scholars, thus being in sympathy. Both did excellent work.

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

The Fall Term, located in district 8, was taught by Mr. M. H. Small. Whole number of pupils registered, 31; average attendance, 31. This was a model school in every respect. Perfect sympathy existed between teacher and scholar, thus laboring together unitedly. Much thorough work was accomplished. The value to the youth of our town of even two such terms of school during the year is inestimable. Shall they not be maintained?

In submitting this report we are able to say that our schools, as a whole, have been attended with very good success. The falling off in last year's school appropriation has been keenly felt, especially by the smaller districts. Instead of taking steps backward, are we not, as a town, in a condition financially to do better for our schools than ever before?

CHARLES L. DAY,
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