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TOWN OFFICERS.

Clerk and Treasurer.
C. M. HUTCHINS.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.
ERNEST K. HOLBROOK, TILLSON WATERMAN,
JOHN E. SAUNDERS.

Collector.
F. EDWIN DWINAL.

Town Agent.
JESSE M. LIBBY.

Superintendent of Schools.
JESSE M. LIBBY.

School Committee.
J. W. WAYNE, A. H. BRIGGS, F. L. WATERMAN.

Trustees Public Library.
C. B. RANKIN, J. M. LIBBY, W. E. HANSCOM.

Librarian.
NETTIE P. GRANT.

Board of Health.
LEROY SPILLER, C. B. RANKIN, A. V. HATHAWAY.

Auditor.
ELMER Z. LANE.

Town Physician.
C. B. RANKIN. M. D.

Chief Engineer.
EDWIN E. JORDAN.

1st Assistant Engineer.
H. L. JEWETT.

2d Assistant Engineer.
M. A. JORDAN.

Road Commissioner.
E. A. FAUNCE.

Constables.
D. S. PERKINS, B. F. HASKELL, J. A. CROOKER,
TILLSON WATERMAN, F. EDWIN DWINAL
FRANK P. WYMAN, F. J. FARRIS.
Report of Selectmen.

To the Citizens of Mechanic Falls:

The municipal officers of the town for the fiscal year ending Feb. 28, 1907, respectfully submit the following reports under their appropriate heads for your information and consideration.

Assessors' Report.

FOR THE YEAR 1906.

Valuation of property and number of polls as taken April 1st, 1906:

Amount of real estate of resident owners, $440,040.00
Amount of real estate of non-resident owners, 302,865.00

Total valuation of real estate, $742,905.00

Amount of personal property of resident owners, $61,147.00
Amount of personal property of non-resident owners, 18,700.00

Total valuation of personal property, $79,847.00

Grand total of property, $822,752.00

Rate of taxation $21.75 per $1,000.
POLL tax rate $3.00.
Number of polls taxed, 433.
Number of polls untaxed, 81.
## Assessments.

For State tax, $2,165 77
- County tax, 1,033 97
- Common schools, 2,200 00
- Free high school, 850 00
- Support of poor, 1,500 00
- Contingent fund, 600 00
- Officers' salaries, 600 00
- Sinking fund, 700 00
- Payment of interest, 500 00
- Collector's commissions and abatements, 300 00
- Lighting streets, 1,408 00
- Hydrant rental, 1,680 00
- Support of fire department, 600 00
- Support of public library, 200 00
- Repair of highways and bridges, 2,300 00
- Text books, 100 00
- Apparatus and school furnishings, 150 00
- Graduating exercises high school, 25 00
- State roads, 200 00
- Memorial Day observance, 50 00
- Deficiency in highway account, 67 07
- Deficiency in pauper account, 993 47
- Deficiency in common school account, 255 75
- Deficiency in incidentals account, 39 30
- Deficiency in high school account, 54 50

$18,570 83

Overlay in assessing, 624 70

Total amount committed to F. Edwin Dwinal for collection, $19,195 52
EXTRACTS FROM TOWN ASSESSORS' REPORT TO STATE ASSESSORS.

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Abatements Allowed.

**Taxes of 1899.**

- Milliken, Wm. F., inability to pay, $3.04
- Keston, Albert W., deceased, 3.00

**Total Abatement:** $6.04

**Taxes of 1900.**

- Bicknell, Oscar H., inability to pay, $3.25
- Chute, Herbert W., inability to pay, 3.00
- Harmon, Algernon S., inability to pay, 3.00
- Milliken, Wm. F., inability to pay, 1.37
- Marshall, Herbert H., worthless, 3.00
- Pratt, Dana S., worthless, 5.25
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**TAXES OF 1901.**

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<td>Cloutier, Napoleon</td>
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<td>Egar, Frank</td>
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<td>Freeland, W. E., worthless</td>
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<td>Goodwin, J. Clark, inability to pay</td>
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<td>Holt, Sidney N., “ “ “</td>
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<td>Knight, Wm. L., “ “</td>
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<td>Patterson, Geo. W., inability to pay</td>
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<td>Ratelle, Joseph, “ “</td>
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<td>3 00</td>
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<td>Seal, John, deceased</td>
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**$67 85**

**$48 06**
TAXES OF 1904.

LeDane, Wm., whereabouts unknown, $3 00
Seal, John, deceased, 1 52
Tibbetts, Henry H., inability to pay, 3 00
Holt, Sidney N., 3 00
Knight, Wm. L., deceased, 3 00

$13 52

TAXES OF 1905.

Holt, Sidney N., inability to pay, $3 00
Mechanic Falls Water Co., by contract, 19 58
Mechanic Falls Mfg. Co., by vote of town, 43 50

$66 08

TAXES OF 1906.

Melintha Thayer, inability to pay, 14 14

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

Town's poor assisted as fellows:

J. B. Rand.

Paid State Insane Asylum, board, $130 36
State Insane Asylum, supplies, 5 09

$135 45
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<td>State Insane Asylum, supplies,</td>
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<td>E. K. Holbrook, cash paid for telegram,</td>
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<td>F. F. McCann, for rent,</td>
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<td>A. W. Currier, nursing in last sickness,</td>
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<td>Paid Helen E. Hawkes, room rent,</td>
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<td>Merrill &amp; Denning, medicine,</td>
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I. A. Denison, groceries, 32 00
G. O. Goodwin & Co., wood, 9 00
Merrill & Denning, medicine, 35
A. A. Woodsum, shoes, 2 00
I. F. McCann & Co., oil 13
C. H. Burns, wood, 16 00
A. J. Weston, lumber and nails, 17 57
Dennett Cotton, stone, 2 00
R. W. Goodwin, dressing pig, 1 00
I. L. Meserve, hauling fodder, 75
A. A. Shorey, wood, 2 25
C. H. Tobie, M. D., medical examination, 2 00
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies, 6 06

$112 07

Sam Knight.

Paid Dennett Cotton, board, $124 00
S. L. Hawley, clothing, 5 45
P. T. Murray, clothing, 1 88
W. G. Pulsifer, medicine, 2 10

$133 43

Lucy A Hunnewell.

Paid City of Lewiston, medical attendance and fuel, $75 88
E. K. Holbrook, car fare to Lewiston and expense, 75

$76 63
MELINTHA THAYER.

Paid Geo. D. Bridgham, groceries, $111 63
  Mrs. L. D. Simpson, washings, 17 85
  L. J. Morton, wood, 6 00
  Mary A. Cobb, care, 25 96
  C. H. Burns, wood, 41 88
  A. V. Hathaway, wood, 3 25
  Merrill & Denning, medicine, 40
  S. L. Hawley, dry goods, 43
  Lucy Eastman, care, 28 13
  Orin A. Martin, milk, 10 34

$245 87

BLANCHE WOODSUM AND SON.

Paid City of Bath, medical attendance and supplies, $32 25
  E. K. Holbrook, cash paid for railroad fare and expense removing from Bath to this town, 4 95

$37 20

ALFRED WATERHOUSE.

Paid A. A. Woodsum, clothing, $ 10 00
  Alta E. Files, board, 120 00
  S. L. Hawley, clothing, 1 25

$131 25
J. L. Tobie.

Paid W. B. Haskell, M. D., medical attendance, $22.50
 C. B. Rankin, M. D. medical attendance, 4.00
 Merrill & Denning, medicine, 5.00

$27.00

James Tooley.

Paid Charles Duran, board, $156.00
 F. A. Goldermann, shoes, 2.00
 Merrill & Denning, medicine, 2.20
 W. H. Cushman, clothing, 2.00
 Geo. W. Robbins, watching, 1.50
 Chas. Duran, care during sickness, 10.00
 S. L. Hawley, supplies, 4.00
 Leroy Spiller, burial expenses, 29.50

$203.60

J. B. Poland.

Paid C. B. Rankin, M. D., medical attendance, $1.50

Harry L. Rogers.

Paid A. G. Tinkham, rent, $84.00

Mrs. O. D. Holt.

Paid F. A. Golderman, Agent, rent, $68.04
Sidney N. Holt.
Paid I. A. Denison, groceries, $2 80
   F. A. Golderman, rubbers and leggings, 6 00
   A. J. Weston, coal, 8 25
   S. L. Hawley, dry goods, 3 88
   W. H. Cushman, cap, 50
   C. B. Cummings & Son's, provisions, 4 75
   Hawkes & Whitney, supplies, 75
_______
$26 93

Rufus Herrick.
Paid C. H. Burns, wood, $9 00

C. A. Foster.
Paid A. V. Hathaway, wood, $35 25
   J. E. Keen, milk, 5 24
   A. A. Woodsum, groceries, 1 97
   Mechanic Falls Water Co., water rent, 8 00
   Merrill & Denning, medicine, 5 95
   T. B. Soule, rent, 48 00
   I. F. McCann & Co., 5 00
   O. A. Martin, milk, 5 10
_______
$114 51

Harriett Bancroft.
Paid C. H. Burns, wood, $18 00

Tramps.
Paid G. O. Goodwin & Co., supplies, $2 25
   F. P. Wyman, supplies and care, 6 00
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<td>I. F. McCann &amp; Co., groceries</td>
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Total expense for poor of the town, $1,857.82
Overdraft for year 1905, 993.47

$2,851.29
Appropriation, $1,500 00
Received from State, account Edward W. McCarron, 50 15

$1,550 15

Appropriation for deficiency, 1905, 993 47

$2,543 62

Overdrawn, $307 67

Paid for Poor of Other Towns.

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<td>Mary E. Crooker,</td>
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<td>W. K. Small,</td>
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<td>George E. Buck,</td>
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Received for Poor of Other Towns.

| Town of Gray        | $ 44 24 |
| Town of Oxford      | 163 05  |
| Town of Rumford     | 62 75   |
| City of Auburn      | 11 48   |
| Town of Bethel      | 20 33   |
Highway Account.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Appropriation for the year 1906, $2,300 00
Appropriation for deficiency, 1905, 65 07

$2,365 07

Overdrawn, 180 31

$2,545 38

EXPENDITURES.

Overdraft for year 1905, $65 07

Wm. E. Leach, labor, $ 1 20
Isaac H. Judkins, labor, 47 25
F. A. Millett, use of derrick 1905, 21 00
O. N. Bailey, labor, 3 30
Poland Paper Co., plank, 3 75
E. A. Faunce, labor, 193 50
Silas Spiller, 138 30
David Woodsum, 117 75
L. E. Faunce, 31 50
Geo. E. Moore, 36 88
Howard P. Seal, 30 30
James P. Twitchell, 28 05
L. C. York, 27 30
Percy Keen, 10 05
H. H. Tibbetts, 6 00
E. A. Faunce & Son, 643 75
L. J. Morton, 8 00
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<td>A. J. Weston</td>
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<td>I. L. Meserve</td>
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J. W. Story, sharpening and repairing tools, $3.00
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies, $25.58

$1,964.81

Snow Bills,

$580.57

$2,545.38

Snow Bills.

EXPENDITURES.

E. A. Faunce & Son., labor, $25.00
F. D. True, $18.40
Sherman Churchill, $3.75
L. E. Faunce, $3.00
N. E. Stowe, $1.50
E. A. Faunce, $235.05
Frank O. Mayberry, $5.10
D. M. Rand, $23.95
I. L. Meserve, $20.70
James McFrederick, $3.75
Simeon Harris, $7.25
H. J. Jordan, $34.55
C. B. Cummings & Sons, salt, $25
H. M. Tucker, labor, $6.65
Benj. R. Strout, $16.98
B. B. Forbes, $2.25
Geo. W. Tobie, $1.05
Silas Spiller, $23.25
A. A. Woodsum, salt, $1.51
David Woodsum, labor, $14.25
Jordan & Saunders, $90.70
Horace E. Moore, 13 12
A. S. Bray, 21 81
Geo. J. Schlag, 1 50
B. Frank Haskell, 5 25

$580 57

**Officers' Salaries.**

Unexpended, $117 00
Appropriation, 600 00

$717 00

**EXPENDITURES.**

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<td>J. S. Saunders, selectman</td>
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<td>Frances Mains, truant officer</td>
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<td>E. Z. Lane, auditor</td>
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$592 00

Unexpended

$717 00
Memorial Day.

Appropriation, $50.00
Paid A. A. Dwinal Post, No. 3, G. A. R. 50.00

Public Library.

Unexpended, 1905, $253.16
Appropriation, 200.00
Received from state, 15.51
Received from librarian, fines, 7.80

EXPENDITURES.

Poland Paper Co., rent 1905-6, $130.00
Mechanic Falls W. & E. L. & P. Co., lights 29.25
A. V. Hathaway, wood, 1.75
J. A. Bucknam & Co., insurance, 15.04
Mrs. L. D. Simpson, cleaning, 1.70
Library Bureau, subscription to Public Libraries, 100
Merrill & Denning, supplies, 55
C. G. Cole, material and labor on repairs, 4.55
E. B. Hall & Co., books, 29.00
Loring, Short & Harmon, books, 117.58
F. H. Golderman, janitor, 6.15
American Library Co., books, 15.00
A. J. Weston, material for repairs, 2.10
H. B. King, difference in Encyclopedia, 5.25

$476.47
The Free Public Library still maintains its standard of usefulness and your librarian is pleased to report progress in all the library work.

The average circulation is about the same.

The whole number of cards issued to borrowers, since the opening of the library in the year 1898, is 1315; showing an increase of 63 names during the past year.

Among the visitors each week, we see many whose names were among the first to be placed on the borrower’s list; and we look upon this fact as good evidence of the continued usefulness of the library.

Probably the most valuable addition to the reference department has been the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Several valuable state reports have also been received.

To the other departments 163 volumes have been added, among which may be found a set of 20 volumes for juvenile readers. These books are intended to form a course of reading for the young, and they contain selections from the choicest literature of all lands.

Thanks are due the Mechanic Falls Study Club for books given. This club donates each year some books used in its course of reading.
Fines have been collected to the amount of $7.80. This sum has been placed in the hands of the trustees and will be used for the benefit of the library.

As in the past, the library has been open each Saturday afternoon and evening during the year, Miss Kate Denison acting as assistant librarian, when ever the librarian has been unavoidably absent.

The new shelves added have been most satisfactory and the library presents a much neater appearance since the books are not as crowded.

It is to be hoped that, in the near future, a larger appropriation will be made, so that some at least, of the leading newspapers and magazines of the day may be found on our reading table, thus helping this library to be one of the most successful of small libraries.

Respectfully submitted,

NETTIE P. GRANT,
Librarian.

Fire Department.

Appropriation, $600 00
Unexpended, 1905, 136 43
Grand Trunk Railway, 36 00

$772 43

EXPENDITURES.

E. E. Jordan, chief engineer, salary, $ 25 00
H. L. Jewett, first assistant engineer, 15 00
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<td>J. W. Penney &amp; Sons Co., 300 feet hose,</td>
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<td>The Holtzer Cabot Electric Co., alarm bell,</td>
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<td>Henry K. Barnes, Phoenix plungers and attachments,</td>
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<td>A. J. Weston, coal,</td>
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<td>M. A. Jordan, labor,</td>
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<td>F. P. Wyman, labor shoveling out and testing hydrants,</td>
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<td>Mechanic Falls Water &amp; Electric Light and</td>
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During the year there have been several still alarms for chimney fires which have been extinguished with the chemical extinguisher without calling out the department.

Only two fires have occurred the past year, they being slight, doing but little damage.

I would suggest that the town purchase 300 or 400 feet of hose the coming year that we may be prepared to meet any emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. JORDAN, Chief Engineer.

Lock-Up Account.

Hawkes & Whitney, supplies, $10
Mechanic Falls Water & Electric Light & Power Co., 4 17

Amount to contingent fund, $4 27

Commissions and Abatements.

Appropriation, $300 00
Unexpended, 1905, 224 10

$524 10

F. Edwin Dwinal, collector’s commissions, $200 00
Abatements, 278 37

$478 37

Unexpended, 45 73

$524 10
Hydrant Rental.

Appropriation, $1,680 00
Paid Mechanic Falls Water Co, for use of water,
    July 1, 1906, to July 1, 1907, $1,680 00

Street Lighting.

Appropriation, $1,408 00
Unexpended, 1905, 02

Overdrawn, $400 65
Paid Mechanic Falls Water & Electric Light & Power Co., $1,808 67

State Roads.

Appropriation, $200 00
Amount received from state, 165 43

EXPENDITURES.

Chas. Trundy, hay for 1905. $3 46
Silas Spiller, labor, 10 50
David Woodsum, 18 75
Arthur Stanton, 6 00
Howard P. Seal, 4 50
E. A. Faunce & Son, 55 50
Daniel Dudley, 45 50
Joseph Gould, 7 50
James P. Twitchell, 4 50
M. W. Morrill, 33 75
Geo. W. Robbins, 6 00
L. C. York, 6 00
Geo. E. Moore, 5 00
T. W. Prince, lanterns and oil, 60

Unexpended, 157 87

$207 56
$365 43

Common Schools.

Appropriation, $2,200 00
Appropriation for deficiency 1905, 255 75
Mill tax, 990 38

$3,446 13

Overdrawn, 189 82

$3,635 95

EXPENDITURES.

Overdraft for year 1905, $255 75
Hattie M. Spiller, teaching, 354 00
Henrietta Douglass, 209 60
Lucinda A. Field, 140 00
Agnes Jordan, 112 00
Annie Pulsifer, 112 00
Josephine Hayford, 238 00
Charlotte C. Bridge, 112 00
Lillian E. Haskell, 238 00
Furnishings.

Unexpended, 1905, $11.30
Appropriation, 150.00

$161.30
Overdrawn, 76.10

$237.40

EXPENDITURES.

W. G. Pulsifer, supplies, $37.79
Smith & Sale, registers, 3.75
C. Withington & Sons, brushes, 6 25
H. F. Houghton, Agt., charts, 4 00
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., chemical apparatus, 4 00
Poland Paper Co., paper, 8 95
A. J. Tiffany, cabinet, 75 00
Merrill & Denning, supplies, 89 67
Howard & Brown, diplomas, 5 95
Mechanic Falls W. & E. L. & P. Co., supplies, 75
J. S. Merrill, supplies, 1 29

$237 40

Repairs.

Unexpended, 1905, $486 55

EXPENDITURES.

J. W. Penney & Sons Co., material and labor on repairs $13 13
Jerry Berry, labor putting on and taking off storm windows, 3 75
J. M. Hannaford, mason work, 7 00
J. W. Fessenden, painting and tinting, 27 00
J. M. Abbott, repairing locks, etc., 3 90
H. N. Whittle, labor, 7 25
Geo. A. Benjamin, material and labor, 5 37
A. J. Weston, material and labor, 1 75
C. W. Austin, labor putting on storm windows, 1 25
Francis Mains, labor, 3 00
Poland Paper Co., material and labor, 6 75
E. Z. Lane, material and labor, 1 45

Unexpended, 394 95

$486 55

Incidentals

Appropriation for deficiency, 1905, 39 30
Received from tuition, 15 00
Received from junk sold, 3 50
Received from grass sold, 7 00

Overdrawn, 12 59

$77 39

EXPENDITURES.

Overdraft, 1905, 39 30
John Gould, cleaning vaults, 4 00
Mrs. L. D. Simpson, cleaning in school house, 18 40
S. L. Hawley, supplies, 1 26
Mechanic Falls W. & E. L. & P. Co., lighting, 5 34
F. L. Waterman, express on brushes, 25
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies, 3 09
D. L. Mitchell, cleaning clock, 7 5
J. M. Libby, cash paid for express and use of telephone, 5 00

$77 39
Text Books.

Unexpended, 1905, $417 55
Appropriation, 100 00

EXPENDITURES.

Merrill & Denning, $131 85
Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, 4 37
D. C. Heath & Co., 28 96
American Book Co., 96 14
Ginn & Co., 47 50
World's Events Publishing Co., 1 20

Unexpended,

$310 02

$517 55

High School.

Appropriation, $850 00
Appropriation for deficiency, 1905, 54 50
Received from State, 375 00

EXPENDITURES.

Overdraft, 1905, $54 50
Paid P. E. Graffam, teaching, 720 00

$1,279 50
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Unexpended, $125.00

**Total** $1,279.00

**Graduating Expenses, High School.**

Appropriation, $25.00

Paid, $25.00

**Lewiston Street Fill.**

Paid Fred J. Farris and Poland Paper Co., stone work and fill on Lewiston St., by contract, $1,100.00

**Shoe Factory Account.**

Paid William Whitney, assignment of mortgage and note of Mechanic Falls Mfg. Co., $219.90

Elmer Z. Lane, electrical supplies and labor on fire alarm, $4.25

J. F. Sawyer & Son., labor on water tank, $6.50

J. A. Bucknam & Co., insurance, $60.00

J. L. Keen, material and labor on repairs, $1.50

F. P. Wyman, labor, $10.00

**Total** $302.15
Received from Virgin Brothers, rent, $75.00
Received from Rev. F. H. Cole, typewriter account, 18.00
Balance against factory account, 209.15

$302.15

Contingent Fund.

Unexpended, 1905, $525.53
Appropriation, 600.00
Tax overlay, 1906, 624.70
Dog licenses refunded, 122.26
License fees collected, 26.00

$1,898.49

EXPENDITURES.

State road overdraft omitted in 1905, $27.36
Ledger Publishing Co., printing town reports, warrant and notice, 56.40
Mechanic Falls W. & E. L. & P. Co., lighting selectmen’s office, 7.00
Dennis S. Perkins, rent of hall for annual and special town meetings, 45.00
Dennis S. Perkins, rent of selectmen’s office, 30.00
A. V. Hathaway, wood for selectmen’s office, 3.50
J. A. Bucknam & Co., insurance on brick school house, 75.00
A. Vinton Bridge, material and labor painting automobile signs, 4.00
F. P. Wyman, burning rubbish, 3 00
F. R. Harmon, services as constable July 3
and 4, 4 00
David Woodsum, labor for Board of Health, 1 50
Merrill & Denning, blank books and supplies for selectmen's office, 11 37
F. J. Farris, services as constable July 3
and 4, 4 00
O. N. Bailey, material and labor painting hose house, 89 39
J. W. Whitman, balance on land occupied by Fred Ireland, 33 00
F. H. Cobb and H. C. Day, assignees, table for selectmen's office, 3 50
E. K. Holbrook, cash paid election clerks, September election, 12 00
F. A. Millett, 111 shares Mechanic Falls Mfg.
Co. stock, 1 00
Ledger Publishing Co., printing highway bills, voting lists, etc., 13 25
J. W. Colley, use of dumping ground, 1906, 5 00
A. J. Weston, labor and material for voting booths, 8 20
Merrill & Denning, supplies for Board of Health, 9 80
F. I. Dwinal, kerosene oil for burning rubbish, 65
J. K. Denning, crossing field, winters of 1905 and 1906, 3 00
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies for voting booths, 96
C. M. Hutchins, administering oaths, recording marriages, births and deaths, cash paid for express and postage, 16.80

C. M. Hutchins, Treasurer, paid physicians reporting births and deaths, 21.60

H. J. Jordan, use of watering tub, 1906, 3.00

E. K. Holbrook, cash paid for stationery, postage, etc., 3.10

G. A. Bridge, binding volume of town reports, 75

Lock-up account, 4.27

$501.50

Unexpended, 1,396.99

$1,898.49

Interest.

Unexpended, 1905, $224.70

Appropriation, 500.00

On taxes collected by F. Edwin Dwinal, 175.16

On town bond No. 19, 17.50

$917.36

Paid interest on town bonds, Series B, $70.00

Interest on town bonds, Series C, 525.00

Interest on temporary loans, 165.35

$760.35

Unexpended, 157.01

$917.36
### Sinking Fund.

Amount deposited in L. T. & S. D. Co., $1,597 18
Interest on deposits, 58 88

$1,656 06

### Financial Standing.

#### LIABILITIES.

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$18,500 00

#### RESOURCES.

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**Balance against the town,**

6,589 31

**Total,**

$11,910 69

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$18,500 00
Remarks.

In closing the work of the year we feel that it would not be amiss to call your attention to several items in the expenditures and the condition of the financial standing of the town at the close of the year. The items of Geo. J. Schlag and J. O. Byron in the pauper account were necessarily large, especially so in the former where the young man had a run of typhoid fever with a relapse; both cases are state paupers and we have been informed that the greater part of the bill for Mr. Schlag has been allowed, but unfortunately the returns did not arrive to be a credit to the pauper account. One of the town's poor, Mr. James Tooley, passed away at the end of the year.

We regret very much that several of the items for the poor are so large, but the parties have no means of support, neither have we any place to provide for them other than in their own homes.

This year one bond of Series C has been retired which was overlooked in the report last year, making the amount of bonds outstanding in that series $14,500.00.

The tramps have passed by on the other side as shown by the small expense.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST K. HOLBROOK,
TILLSON WATERMAN,
JOHN E. SAUNDERS,
Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

I have examined the accounts, vouchers and cash of the selectmen, and find them to be correct.

E. Z. LANE, Auditor.
C. M. Hutchins, Treasurer, in account with the town of Mechanic Falls.

DR.

To Balance on hand, March 1, 1906, $783.73

F. E. Dwinal, collector, on account taxes, 1899, 2.50
1899, 6.04
1900, 37.25
1901, 54.52
1902, 120.92
1903, 97.59
1904, 219.92
1905, 3,540.66
1906, 14,272.95
interest on taxes overdue, 175.16
State, account free high school, 375.00
Mill tax, 990.38
Public Library, 15.51
State road, 165.43
State pensions, 516.00
Dog licenses refunded, 122.26
State paupers, 50.15
Temporary loans, 7,500.00
Tax deeds, etc., 173.44
Town clerk, for dog licenses, 148.00
Grand Trunk Railway, account Fire Department, 36.00
Grass and old junk sold, 10.50
Tuition, Vernon Crockett, 15.00
F. H. Cole, account typewriter, etc., 18.00
Virgin Bros., rent, shoe factory, 75 00
Public Library, fines collected, 78 00
Licenses issued, 26 00
Town of Rumford, 62 75
City of Auburn, 11 48
Town of Gray, 44 24
Town of Bethel, 20 33
Account Mrs. R. S. Maxwell, 115 00
Town of Oxford, 163 05
Interest on town bonds, 17 50

$29,990 06

CR.

By paid town orders, $29,012 77
" " State pensions, 516 00
" " State treasurer, dog licenses, 148 00
Balance on hand, 313 29

$29,990 06

I have examined the accounts, vouchers and cash of the treasurer, C. M. Hutchins, and find them to be correct.

E. Z. LANE, Auditor.

Vital Statistics.

Previously reported, 297 229 379
March 1, 1906, to March 1, 1907, 33 22 40
Town Agent's Report.

To the Town of Mechanic Falls:

I am again able to report the town as free from law suits and litigation.

The town's mortgage upon the shoe factory property has been foreclosed. Claims for assistance rendered by the town to state paupers in two cases, involving considerable sums, have been satisfactorily adjusted and paid by the state. No occasion for future litigation is known to exist at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. LIBBY,
Town Agent.

Feb. 28, 1907.

Board of Health.

There have been reported to the Board the past year, eight cases of nuisance—all having been removed satisfactorily to the Board—two cases of typhoid fever, three of consumption and fifteen of measles. We think there has been but a small part of the cases of measles reported, so we will again call the attention of the house-holders to the state law requiring them to report the following diseases to the local board of health: diphtheria or membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, measles, whooping cough, cerebro-spinal meningitis, small pox, cholera, typhus fever, pulmonary tuberculosis or consumption.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. RANKIN, M. D.
A. V. HATHAWAY.
LEROY SPILLER.
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## IN MEMORIAM.

**Died in other Towns and States and buried in Mechanic Falls.**

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Warrant for Town Meeting.

To F. Edwin Dwinal, a constable of the town of Mechanic Falls, in the County of Androscoggin

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Mechanic Falls, qualified by law to vote in town affairs to meet at Perkins Hall, in said town, on Monday, the eighteenth day of March, 1907, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1st. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2d. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3d. To act on the report of town officers.

Art. 4. To choose a board of selectmen, assessors, overseers of the poor, a town treasurer, town agent, member of board of school committee, one trustee of public library, a truant officer, a road commissioner, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for support of common schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to expend for a free high school for the ensuing year.
Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repair of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the contingent fund for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' salaries for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the sinking fund for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the payment of interest for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for abatements and collector's commissions for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the observance of Memorial Day for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to contract with the Mechanic Falls Water & Electric Light & Power Co, for electric street lights at the expiration of the present contract, Sept. 1, 1907

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for lighting streets for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of $1,680.00 for hydrant rental for the ensuing year.
Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the fire department for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the public library and purchase of books for the ensuing year.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the purchase of text-books, apparatus and furnishings for schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repair of school houses for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of twenty-five dollars to defray the expense of graduating exercises of the high school for the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to determine the time when the commitment of taxes shall be made and at what time taxes shall be payable and that interest shall be collected from and after such time.

Art. 25. To see if the town will agree on an abatement to those who voluntarily pay their taxes to the collector or treasurer at certain periods and the times within which they shall be so entitled.

Art. 26. To choose a collector of taxes and fix his compensation.

Art. 27. To see if the town will authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.
Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to have six additional street lights along Lewiston street from Jordan street to the residence of A. B. Walker. (By request.)

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to have three additional street lights along Elm street from east of True street to the buildings of Hollis E. Dennen. (By request.)

Art. 30. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of $180.31 to liquidate the deficiency in highway account; $307.67 to liquidate the deficiency in pauper account; $400.65 to liquidate the deficiency in street lighting account; $189.82 to liquidate the deficiency in common schools account; $12.59 to liquidate the deficiency in incidentals (school) account; $76.10 to liquidate the deficiency in furnishings (school) account.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to purchase or rent land and buildings to be used as a town farm or almshouse and raise money for the same.

Art. 32. To hear and act on the report of the committee on arranging the school house on Pleasant St. for town purposes.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer to make and execute a quit-claim deed in behalf of the town, releasing its rights in and to real estate held by it by tax deed, upon payment of taxes, interest and costs.

Art. 34. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of $200.00 for a state road as provided by chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1901.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to take action to protect the town from moth pests and raise money therefor.
Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to purchase 300 feet of new hose for the fire department.

Art. 37. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of $1,100.00 to defray the expense of stone work and fill on Lewiston street.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town and hearing and deciding on applications claiming the right to have their names entered upon said list at the Selectmen's office, at two o'clock in the afternoon, Saturday, March 16, A. D. 1907, also at eight o'clock on day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Mechanic Falls, this ninth day of March, A. D. 1907.

ERNEST K. HOLBROOK.
TILLSON WATERMAN.
JOHN E. SAUNDERS.

Selectmen of Mechanic Falls.
Superintendent's Report.

To the Town of Mechanic Falls:

Our schools, taken together, have had a fairly successful year. We have had many occasions to compliment the work of teachers, and but few to criticize.

Our schools have maintained their usual standard in discipline and work, and in making this statement, we mean to be understood as saying, that they rank, at least, equal to any schools of similar grades in any of our neighboring towns or cities.

There has been a clear and distinct advance in the matter of personal interest on the part of pupils, to maintain and advance the standard in their particular departments. For instance:—We often hear scholars of a certain grade, comparing their work with that of the similar grade of last year, and congratulating themselves upon having set a higher standard for the coming classes. They say “our class ranks higher in deportment than the last year’s class in our grade.” “Our school is better than the school on —— street,” etc., indicating that they are striving, not alone for personal advancement, but that they carry along, also, the determination to advance the aggregate scholarship and attainments of the grade and school. We are pleased to note the growth of this cosmopolitan spirit among the pupils.

The schools were much broken up by the epidemic of measles which prevailed during the latter part of the fall term and the effects of which have extended even through the winter term.

This has been the only serious set back in the school work during the year. It has tended to greatly reduce the average
attendance, and besides the actual loss of time, it left many pupils in such depressed physical condition as to render highest grade work impossible during a considerable period of their convalescence.

The long continued extremely cold weather prevailing through the winter term, has also effected unfavorably the attendance especially in the lower grades.

We are glad to report the continued prevalence of good fellowship, and loyalty of service among our teachers and scholars.

It is too much to expect perfection in the management of school affairs, and while occasional complaints have been heard from parents of individual cases, of fancied or supposed failure of duty, by some teacher, toward some scholar, investigation has usually discovered nothing worse than a mutual misunderstanding, or a mild case of "big-head," on the part of some scholar, only temporarily afflicted.

Of course we must admit, that many things might be provided for our schools which would be of great assistance, did our financial condition permit, but we are compelled to stand for the "necessities" and to forego the "luxuries" in our educational line.

**HIGH SCHOOL.**

Prof. Graffam is now serving for the third consecutive year, as principal of this school.

He is a faithful and competent instructor, and the school has sustained the usual excellent interest, throughout the year. As a rule, the scholars are highminded, well disposed, docile and ambitious to excel in individual, as well as, general school work.
Miss Maud Thurston, who was assistant last year, secured a more lucrative position and left us, to the regret of all.

The school board were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Edith Furbush of Lewiston, for this position, and her work for the past two terms has proved eminently satisfactory in every way. We shall hope that her services can be secured for the coming year.

**GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**

This school has been under the principalship of Mrs. Hat­tie Spiller, assisted by Miss Henrietta Douglass during the fall term and by Miss Annie Leighton during the winter term. Mrs. Spiller is an efficient, tactful and conscientious teacher. Her work is thorough and the present proficiency of our **grammar grades** is an ampler testimonial of her loyal and successful labors than any words of commendation can bestow. Miss Leighton has been an arduous worker and during the short time she has been with us, has given a good degree of satisfaction. The standard of scholarship and deportment in this school is superior, and the reason is that every scholar is an honest worker.

**INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.**

Miss Mae Cabana, as principal, and Miss Evis Bridge, as assistant, have had charge of this school. This is the largest and most difficult to manage of all our schools. Here we have 90 scholars in one room, made up of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, between the ages of eight and twelve years; and altho the scholars are of the very best in disposition and attainments for their several grades, it must be evident that the successful management of so many young people in one room, must re­quire the constant exercise of great patience, tact and judge­ment. This school is doing most excellent work and the teach­ers are entitled to much credit for their successful solution of a difficult problem.
WATER STREET PRIMARY.

This school has been under the instruction of Miss Josephine Hayford as principal and Miss Sadie Farrington assistant. These teachers are both graduates of our high school and have been doing most excellent work. The scholars in these lower grades are receiving good instruction in the foundation work. First-class teaching ability is nowhere more requisite than in the beginning period.

ELM STREET PRIMARY.

Miss Lillian Haskell has been in charge of this school for the past two terms, and, prior to her advancement, had been assistant for several years. Miss H. now has charge of all the first grade pupils and their work. She is patient, careful and thoroughly successful in her work, and parents need feel no anxiety while their little ones are under her care.

SUMMARY.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Number graduated last year, 7
Number in graduating class this year, 5
Largest enrollment for the year, 38
Average attendance for the year, 33

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Largest enrollment for the year, 68
Average attendance for the year, 58

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Largest enrollment for the year, 90
Average attendance for the year, 64
WATER STREET PRIMARY.

Largest enrollment for the year, 63
Average attendance for the year, 47

ELM STREET PRIMARY.

Largest enrollment for the year, 46
Average attendance for the year, 28
Total enrollment of all the common schools for the year, 267
Average daily attendance in these schools, 197
Total enrollment of all schools (including high), 305
Average attendance in all the schools (including high), 230
Number of terms of each school year, 3
Length of weeks of each term, 12
Average weekly wages paid teachers in common school grades $8 00
Highest weekly wages paid teachers in common school grades, $10 00
Lowest weekly wages paid teachers in common school grades, $6 00
Monthly salary of principal of high school, $80 00
Monthly salary of assistant of high school, $48 00
Cost of transporting scholars per week, $15 50
Cost of janitor service per week, $8 00

There has been quite a falling off in the number of our scholars, due to well known but unavoidable causes, and this, of course, brings a corresponding decrease in the amount of money received from the state for the support of common schools. That our high school is costing too much per capita for the education of our scholars is very evident. Of the total number of scholars enrolled, practically one-half the number come from Poland and Minot. The result is that we are expending about $1,400.00 annually for the support of this school for which they furnish one-half the whole number of scholars and
contribute nothing toward the expense. At the same time they are paying tuition for such of their scholars as attend school at Hebron, Auburn and elsewhere. This certainly does not seem just to us or right for them. We are pleased to have these scholars come in with us and share in all the advantages which we can furnish, but these towns should assist in some degree to increase these advantages, both to their own and our scholars by a contribution in the way of tuition. Is has sometimes been asserted by some people who should know better, that our town is obliged by law to furnish schools tuition free to the scholars from these towns; but such is not the case; and if it were, would it not be much more neighborly and just to do a fair thing in the shape of a reasonable contribution. This contribution from our neighbors would be a light burden upon them (as under the present law, the state will reimburse them to the extent of one-half their expenditure,) and would enable us to furnish many and better facilities for all young people to attend this school. We have faithfully attended to our duty in maintaining this school for the thirteen years last past, and the time has come when our neighbors should demonstrate their appreciation, not alone by sending their pupils, but by rendering some material assistance for the common good of all.

The Board of Health is entitled to commendation for heartily co-operating with the school board in minimizing the discomforts and dangers arising from contagious diseases.

I have to extend my personal thanks and acknowledgments to each member of the school committee for their constant and faithful labors and wise counsel in all matters pertaining to the advancement of the educational interests of our town.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. LIBBY,

Superintendent of Schools.