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TOWN OFFICERS.

ELECTED MARCH 9, 1885.

Moderator.
L. T. CARLETON.

Town Clerk.
B. R. REYNOLDS.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.
J. E. BRAINERD, LEVI JONES, H. PENNIMAN.

Treasurer.
JOHN M. BENJAMIN.

Supervisor of Schools.
A. R. CRANE.

Road Commissioners.
JOHN E. BRAINERD, LEVI JONES, H. PENNIMAN.

Collector.
ALBERT C. CARR.

Constables.
A. C. CARR, ELLIOTT WOOD, D. N. GOWER,
S. G. DAVIS, E. O. KELLEY, THOMAS DEALEY,
J. L. METCALF, C. D. WOOD.
To the citizens of Winthrop:

The flight of time reminds us, that in accordance with law and custom, it is our duty to make a report of the financial condition of town affairs, which is herewith respectfully submitted for the year ending March 8, 1886.

The Alms House was burned the 17th of August. At a special town meeting held on the 26th of August, it was voted to rebuild, and two thousand dollars by loan, and eight hundred being due from the insurance company, was placed at the disposal of the Selectmen for that purpose. Plans were drawn and specifications made by G. M. Coombs of Lewiston, for which we paid him forty dollars.

We received proposals from five responsible parties, the lowest, twenty-five hundred dollars, was by F. Tinker, to whom the job was let, which he has nearly completed in a workman-like manner. The cellar and foundation was let to C. H. Gale for two hundred and fifty dollars, which was also well done. The House contains more room than is necessary for the present number of inmates, and we hope it is sufficiently large for any future time. The outside of the House has only been painted once. It will be necessary to have it painted over this spring. Of course a considerable outlay had to be made, in order to furnish the house fit for occupancy. We have furnished what we have deemed necessary for the present.

The case, Winthrop against Wayne, for the support of Catherine Batchelder was tried at the September term of the Superior Court, and resulted in a verdict for this town. Wayne has appealed and had it carried up to the law term, consequently we are still paying for her support.

We have paid for the support of Mrs. Mary Williams (or Bow-
man) seventy-five cents per week, and since Sept. 5th, we have paid for Miss Hope W. Briggs three dollars per week.

November 2, 1885, L. M. Berry notified us that his son, Geo. W. Berry, was insane and that he was unable to take care of him. On examination he was judged insane and sent to the Maine Insane Hospital.

VALUATION AND TAX.

Total amount of real and personal estate, $1,022,600 00
Amount of tax on same, the rate being 13 mills, 13,281 10
Whole number of polls 568, at $3.00, 1,704 00
Percentage paid for collecting, 1 per cent.

TOWN GRANTS.

Common Schools, $1,800 00
Support of poor and other necessary town charges, 2,000 00
Support of highways, 3,000 00
Indebtedness, 1,500 00
Memorial day, 100 00
Repairs in cemeteries, 100 00
——— $8,500 00
State tax, 4,226 13
County tax, 1,546 02
Overlayings, 712 95
——— 6,485 10
——— $14,985 10

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance from last year, 514 70
Amount appropriated by town, 1,800 00
Received from State, 954 35
Interest on school fund, 170 24
——— 3,439 29

The above total was duly apportioned to the several school districts. Whole number of scholars April 1, 1885, 597, a decrease of 9.
The amounts due the several districts February 23, 1886:

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Balance, $188.65

Leaving amount expended for schools during the current year $3,250.64. The bills for the winter term of district No. 2 are not in.

TOWN FARM.

The Town Farm has been in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ingham the year past, which has been attended with unfavorable circumstances, the house having been burned. We think they have done as well as could reasonably be expected under the circumstances.

At the beginning of the year there were at the farm, Silas C. Pettengill, Geo. C. Chandler, Mrs. Benj. Peterson and Rebecca Lambert. Hope W. Briggs came to the farm April 17th, and remained there until the house was burned, since that time we were obliged to board her away. Geo. C. Chandler died April 30th. There are now at the farm Silas Pettingill, Mrs. Benj. Peterson and Rebecca Lambert. Fifty-six tramps have been lodged and fed at the farm the year past.

Schedule of personal property at farm March, 1885, according to report of 1885, $1,210.42

- Paid for family supplies, $621.27
- Paid for horse, 175.00
- Paid salary of superintendent, 250.00

$1,046.27

$2,256.69
Income of the farm, 634.29
Received for oxen sold, 146.00
Schedule of personal property at the farm, less cash in hands of superintendent, 892.75

Balance against the farm, 583.65

We have left out of the schedule of the personal property at the farm, the wood and creamer.

**Schedule of Personal Property at Farm.**

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<td>Butter fund due from factory (estimated)</td>
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<td>Cash in hands of superintendent</td>
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**Total** 905.77

**Support of Poor Off the Farm.**

Paid Mrs. Clouche for board of Alfred Talbot, 15.00
Maine Insane Hospital, support of Lucy J. Smith, 133.84
Maine Insane Hospital, support of Geo. W. Berry, 12.98
Roxy Smith, support of Catherine Batchelder, 65.00
A. Winslow & Co., supplies furnished D. B. Torsey, 24.00
Cyrus Stevens, for wood furnished H. Hammond, 2.00
Cyrus Stevens, digging grave for Mrs. T. Wing, 3.00
C. W. Dillingham, funeral charges, Geo. C. Chandler, 18.50
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Total: 1,006 37
CURRENT EXPENSES.

Paid Horace Ingham, Superintendent of Farm, 250 00
J. E. Brainerd, Selectman, 80 00
Levi Jones, Selectman, 80 00
H. Penniman, Selectman, 80 00
B. R. Reynolds, Town Clerk, 15 00
A. R. Crane, Supervisor of Schools, 65 00
L. T. Carleton, Director School District No. 4, 25 00
C. A. Cochrane, 15 00
W. E. Whitman, 15 00
C. D. Wood, for repair of Water Works, 31 25
C. A. Wing, 8 40
Wallace E. Berry, for care of hose and hydrants, 15 00
E. H. Jackson, for work on hydrants, 65 00
William & Clark, for repair of hose carriages, 23 25
John A. Stanley, for printing town reports, 25 00
Keegan & Farrier, for horse, 175 00
G. W. Spaulding, for harness, 24 00
John A. Stanley, for advertising, 1 75
C. A. Cochrane, for vaccinating, 207 90
D. Cargill, for insurance, 24 00
F. Tinker, for lumber for town farm, 14 11
S. S. Brooks, for furniture for town farm, 7 50
H. E. Gale, for furniture for town farm, 42 00
Winthrop Mills Co., for repair of hydrant, 1 25
Lewiston Journal, for paper three years, 6 00
L. O. Cobb, for goods for the town farm, 144 40
H. Penniman, for goods for the town farm, 29 75
A. C. Carr, abatement of taxes, 193 12
A. C. Carr, constable services, 10 50
A. C. Carr, collecting taxes, 159 53
N. Bishop, goods for town farm, 25 18
Chas. D. Wood, meal for town farm, 13 30
B. R. Reynolds, for stationary, 6 93

Total, 1,814 77
Paid interest on school fund, 1,006 37
support of poor off the farm, 1,176 61

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.
Overdraft, 1885, $61 90
Snow bills, 1884-'85, 1,094 31
Summer repairs, 1,868 68

Amount appropriated March, 1885, 3,024 89
Overdraft, 24 89
TOWN FARM HOUSE.

Received for insurance, $800 00
Received by loan, 2,000 00

Paid C. H. Gale, 250 00
G. M. Coombs, 40.00
F. Tinker, 2,475 00
cash in treasury, 35 00

--------- 2,800 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

Amount appropriated, 100 00
Paid on receipt of Franklin Wood, 100 00

CEMETERIES.

Amount appropriated, 100 00
Paid C. W. Dillingham for work, 41 25
Geo. W. Bearce for work, 9 99
S. B. Page for work, 13 00
J. E. Brainerd for work, 4 75
unexpended, 31 01

--------- 100 00

GENERAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Amount of outstanding bonds, $1,250 00
Amount of water loan notes, 2,900 00
Amount of building loan, 2,000 00
Interest on bonds and notes, (estimated) 150 00
Bills of town officers, 650 00
Snow bills, 600 00
Outstanding orders, 36 57
Unsettled bills, 100 00

--------- 7,686 57

RESOURCES.

Due from A. C. Carr, collector, $3,235 21
Due from State of Maine, 1,179 74
Cash on hand, 2,068 07
Balance against the town, 1,203 55

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Will L. Sturtivant,  3  05,
Fred H. White,  3  00,
Edward Chassee,  1884,  3  00, District No. 4 tax,  53
Horace B. Crockett,  3  98,
Mary E. Currier,  4  20,
Benton Derby,  3  00,
Jennie E. Farrish,  4  20,
Henry N. Fogg,  3  00,
Herbert Jewett,  3  00,
James Mayo,  3  00,
Joseph McLaughlin,  77,
Isaac Murch,  3  00,
Chas. Nash,  3  00,
Marshall Roncoe,  3  00,
Chas. Roncoe,  3  00,
A. A. Varney,  4  05,
Samuel Goodwin,  4  20,
E. A. Mason,  1  40,
Mary E. Currier,  1885,  3  90,
Jennie E. Farrish,  3  90,
John Ingham,  3  00,
Zeno K. Mason,  2  60,

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. BRAINERD,  
LEVI JONES,  
H. PENNIMAN,  

Selectmen of Winthrop.

Winthrop, February 26, 1886.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1886

RECEIPTS.

Feb. 24. Cash balance from last account, $537 20
Rec'd of A. C. Carr, collector, 10,590 93
of directors of School
Dist., No. 4, 13 77
of State, school fund, etc., 946 43
of selectmen for oxen sold, 146 00
of selectmen, Ins. on Alms
House, 800 00
on loan for building Alms
House, 2000 00
of Augusta for support of
John Dearborn, 69 75
for use of Town Hall, 10 38

15,114 46
EXPENDITURES.

Paid Water Loan notes, 100 00
interest on Water Loan notes, 134 00
State pensions, 3 00
orders for support of poor and town charges, 2,942 56
orders for support of schools, 3,245 12
orders for support of highways, 2,956 99
orders on account of School District No. 4 (special tax) 32 05
orders on account building Alms House, 2,765 00
School District No. 4, note and interest, 834 67
Balance on hand, 2,068 07

LIABILITIES.

Town bonds due in 1882, 700 00
Town bonds due in 1885, 550 00
Water Loan notes outstanding, 2,900 00
Note Loan for building Alms House, 2,000 00
Due school districts on acct. of schools, 139 78
Due school districts on acct. special tax, 65 35
Unexpended balance of water works fund, 02
Unexpended balance of Alms House fund, 35 00
Balance in favor of the town, 937 87

RESOURCES.

Due from A. C. Carr, Collector, $3,235 21
Due from State, 1,179 74
Due from school district No. 4 (overdraft) 96 67
Deficiency in highway account, 506 83
Deficiency in support of poor account, 241 50
Cash in treasury, 2,068 07

It must be borne in mind that there are other liabilities outstanding and unliquidated. An estimate of the amount will be found in the report of the selectmen, which, when settled and paid, will reduce the above balance.

J. M. BENJAMIN, Treasurer.

Winthrop, February 25, 1886.

We have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

J. E. BRAINERD, Levi Jones, H. PENNIMAN, Selectmen of Winthrop.
ABSTRACT OF TOWN WARRANT.

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
Art. 2. To choose all necessary town officers.
Art. 3. To raise a sum of money for support of schools.
Art. 4. To raise a sum of money for support of poor, and other necessary town charges.
Art. 5. To raise a sum of money for highways.
Art. 6. To raise a sum of money to discharge indebtedness.
Art. 7. To raise money to repair town hall.
Art. 8. To raise money for Payson Tucker Hose Co.
Art. 9. To abolish school districts.
Art. 10. To abate taxes of Winthrop Factory Co.
Art. 11. To raise money for Memorial Day.
Art. 12. To raise money to purchase hose.
Art. 13. To raise money for sidewalks from hotel to Dr. Cochrane's.
Art. 14. To raise money for sidewalks in Baileyville.
Art. 15. To raise money to repair sidewalks.
Art. 16. To tax dogs.
Art. 17. To raise money for street lights.
Art. 18. To prevent snow drifting near J. N. Woods.
Art. 19. To change time of holding annual meeting.
Art. 20. To establish watering trough on Main street.
Art. 21. To abate taxes of the Winthrop Dairying Association.
Art. 22. To hear reports of committees, etc.
Art. 23. To allow accounts against the town.
SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

The following report for the year ending March 1886 is respectfully submitted.

The agent made the following returns of the numbers of school children in the several districts in April, 1885.

Dist. No. 1, O. C. Williams, agent, 53 scholars.
2, Frank N. Davis, " 64 "
3, Horace Keys, " 45 "
4, L. T. Carleton, " 326 "
5, R. Alden, " 28 "
6, N. Kimball, " 18 "
7, R. J. Norcross, " 12 "
8, C. B. Stanter, " 14 "
9, C. D. Deal. " 27 "
10, O. S. Shaw, " 10 "

Total, 597

RESOURCES.

At its last annual meeting the town voted for school purposes, $1800.00
Received from State Treasurer, 954.35
Received from other sources, 179.24

Total, $2924.29

This amount was appropriated among the districts as follows:

Dist. No. 1, $243.80
2, 294.40
3, 237.00
4, 1499.60
5, 188.80
6, 92.80
7, 60.20
8, 84.40
9, 144.20
10, 79.39

$2924.59

Dist. No. 1. Summer term 9 weeks, Henry H. Goddard teacher, number scholars 31, average attendance 24. Fall term
12 weeks, M. Alice Robbins teacher, number Scholars 33, average attendance 27. Winter term 8 weeks, M. Alice Robbins teacher, number scholars 21, average attendance 16, number of different scholars attending school during the year 39. Mr. Goddard is a student in Haverford College. His earnestness and his original method awakened a good degree of interest on the part of the scholar. He left at the close of the first term and Miss Robbins having completed a course of study at Gorham Normal school, resumed her connection with the school and remained during the year. Her labors are highly appreciated.

Dist. No. 2. Miss L. E. Bass teacher, summer term 9 weeks, number scholars 32, average attendance 28. Fall term 10 weeks, number scholars 28, average 23. Winter term 12 weeks, number scholars 29, average attendance 25. number of different scholars attending school during the year 37. Miss Bass has had charge of this school during two successive years. She is a faithful teacher and under her direction the scholars have made good progress.

Dist. No. 3. Summer term M. Alice Robbins teacher, number scholars 18, average attendance 15. Fall term Mary A. Robinson teacher, 10 weeks, number scholars 22, average attendance 16. Winter term 9 weeks, D. C. Robbins teacher, number scholars 24, average attendance 21, number of different scholars attending during the year 31. Miss Robbins resigned at the close of the first term much to our regret, and Miss Robinson, a graduate of the Farmington Normal School, took charge of the school in the fall. She too resigned after faithfully serving the district one term and Mr. D. C. Robbins was engaged for the winter term. He did good work both as a disciplinarian and an instructor.

Dist. No. 5. Summer term 9 weeks, Louise B. Lacroix teacher, number scholars 21, average attendance 18. Fall term 6 weeks, L. B. Lacroix teacher, number of scholars 18, average attendance 15. Winter term 11 weeks, A. H. Brainard teacher, number scholars 13, average attendance 12, number of different scholars attending school during the year 26. Miss Lacroix has taught this school quite a number of terms and always with good results. Mr. Brainard, a student in Colby University, whose labors last winter were highly appreciated by the district had charge of the school during the winter term. He did excellent work.

Dist. No. 7. Summer term, 8 weeks, May Norcross teacher, number scholars 10, average attendance 8. Fall term 8 weeks, Annie L. Bearce teacher, number scholars 11, average attendance 8, number different scholars attending school during the year 14. Miss Norcross has had a long experience in the school room and understands the art of teaching. And Miss Bearce, a student of Kent's Hill, though without previous experience, managed the school successfully during the fall term.

Dist. No. 8. Summer term 8 weeks, Hattie B. Peabody teacher, number scholars 8, average attendance 7. Winter term 8 weeks, Flora F. Hutchins teacher, number scholars 9, average attendance 8, number scholars attending school during the year 9. The teachers were energetic, the scholars regular in their attendance and studious.

Dist. No. 9. Summer term 7 weeks, Miss L. F. Crane teacher, number scholars 11, average attendance 10. Fall term 11 weeks, Miss E. M. Carr teacher, number scholars 11, average attendance 8, number different scholars attending school during the year 18. Miss Crane is a graduate of Coburn Classical Institute. Her instruction was thorough, and her management apparently satisfactory. Some trouble arose on account of Miss Carr's method of government but the fact that she received from her scholars a present at the close of the school would seem to indicate that they appreciate her efforts.

Dist. No. 10. Ella S. Shaw teacher, summer term 9 weeks, number scholars 5, average attendance 4. Fall term 11 weeks, number scholars 6, average attendance 5, number different scholars attending school during the year 6. Miss Shaw's second year in this school was not less successful than the first.

The average rank of our teachers both in scholarship and ability to teach has been higher than in previous years, and perhaps this success has been all that could reasonably be expected in existing circumstances. The condition of our schools, is however, far from being satisfactory; and it is not easy to see how their efficiency can be largely increased under the present system. The division of the town into school districts, making it necessary to maintain a relatively large number of small scholars is a hindrance to our educational work, which the utmost care in
selecting teachers and the most careful supervision cannot over­
come. In former reports I have called attention to some of the
evils growing out of the district system and I shall do no more
at this time than to express my conviction that the only adequate
remedy for these evils is the abolition of the system itself. Withal
offering every consideration in support of the proposition to
dispense with the school district system I will say that the lead­
ing educators of the State are earnest advocates of it, and that
there is a growing public sentiment in favor of it. In his report
the State Superintendent says, “The movement toward the abo­
lition of that educational iniquity, the school district system still
continues. All indications point to a rapidly growing public
opinion favoring the ridding of the school system, from this out­
worn outgrowth of social conditions which have long since ceased
to exist. And the substituting for it of something more in con­
sonance with the present conditions,—a public opinion that will
ere long make itself manifest in legislation.”

By an act of the last Legislature, towns are required to make
provisions for instructing all pupils in all schools supported by
public money or under State control, in Physiology and Hygiene,
with special reference to the effects of alcoholic drinks,
stimulant and narcotic upon the human system. For the pur­
pose of carrying into effect this provision, a little book by Prof.
W. T. Smith, entitled “The Human Body and it’s Health,” was
adopted as a text-book and a copy of it provided for each school
house. The teachers were required to form classes for the study
of it, when practicable, and to give oral instructions to all the
scholars especially upon the effects of alcohol, etc., upon the
human system. The result of this effort has been highly sat­
isfactory.

I have made forty-nine visits to the schools during the year
and have charged for the same sixty-five dollars.

A. R. CRANE, Supervisor

Winthrop, March 1, 1886.
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4.

The directors of this district submit to the town the following abstract of their district report for the school year, 1885-86. There has been twenty-seven weeks of school in this district as follows:

Spring Term, 9 weeks.
Fall Term, 11 weeks.
Winter Term, 7 weeks.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss Juliet M. Stanley, teacher.

Spring Term, whole number 40; average attendance, 35.
Fall Term, whole number, 36; average attendance, 30.
Winter Term, whole number, 32; average attendance, 30.

It is sufficient to say of this school that it has been taught by Miss Stanley. She has taught fifteen years in succession in this district. She has taught for 17 consecutive years without a break, and eighty terms, since she began teaching. If we had a system of pensioning teachers in this country, we would heartily recommend her for a pension, on account of her long, faithful and successful work in the school room.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Miss Emma F. Robbins, teacher.

Spring Term, whole number, 34; average attendance, 32.
Fall Term, whole number, 32; average attendance, 30.
Winter Term, whole number, 33; average attendance, 32.

Miss Lizzie Hegerty was engaged to teach this school and taught the Spring term for a few days, giving promise of great success; but the sudden sickness and death of her brother, Daniel F. Hegerty, obliged her to give it up, much to the regret of all.

After several days delay we were so fortunate as to secure the services of Miss Emma F. Robbins, one of our own town's girls, and a graduate of our High School. Miss Robbins proved to be a first-class teacher in every respect, and very successful in her work. Experience has shown it to be quite difficult to
get a teacher for this department entirely suitable, but Miss Robbins filled the bill completely.

**GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**

Miss Maud M. McIlroy, teacher.

Spring Term, whole number, 40; average attendance, 38.
Fall Term, whole number, 38; average attendance, 35.
Winter Term, whole number, 37; average attendance, 36.

Miss McIlroy is no stranger to the citizens of District No. 4, having taught here very successfully for several years. Her efforts this year have been attended, as usual, with perfect success. She is also a graduate of our High School, and also of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College at Kent's Hill.

**HIGH SCHOOL.**

Spring Term, whole number, 26; average attendance, 24.
Fall Term, whole number, 36; average attendance, 33.

Miss N. E. Hunton, of Readfield, teacher. We can only reiterate what we have said in former reports of Miss Hunton. She is in every respect a grand teacher, having few, if any equals in the school room, and it was with unfeigned sorrow we were obliged to part with her services on account of her failing health, for the Winter term. It is confidently expected however, that she will resume work here again at the Spring term.

Winter Term, Mr. L. E. Jones, teacher. Whole number, 35; average attendance, 32.

Following a long line of precedents to engage teachers from our own town, other things being equal, Mr. Jones a graduate of the High School, was engaged for the winter term at a compensation considerably less than that hitherto paid. Mr. Jones brought every qualification to his work, necessary for a successful teacher, except one, experience, it being his first appearance as a teacher in the school room. A glance at the whole number attending and the average attendance shows a good degree of interest. On account of quite severe illness he was not able to fully complete the term, and we are not therefore as well prepared to speak of results as we might otherwise have been. We regard Mr. Jones as a conscientious painstaking instructor.

We have great reason to "thank our Stars," that our fine school house is not in ruins from the firey element. Nothing saved it from total destruction on the night of Dec. 2nd, but the
"water works" supplemented by the heroic efforts of the members of Payson Tucker Hose Company. As it is, the West end presents a charred and blackened appearance from the effects of fire and smoke. The loss was adjusted with the Insurance Companies at $230.

New Seats have been placed in the high school room, of a new and improved pattern. Those that were in this room being put in the Grammar school room, and those in the Grammar school in the Intermediate, and those in the Intermediate in the Primary school room. It is very gratifying to be able to report real substantial progress in our schools the past year, and yet a serious problem presents itself, one that has got to be solved, and that before a great while. There were at the last school census nearly, or quite, 100 French Canadian scholars in this district, there has scarcely been a representative of this class in any of our schools this year.

We cannot under present conditions maintain four schools in this district much, if any longer. The common sense way, as it appears to us, is to avail ourselves of the provisions of the Statutes, and abolish the school districts, which causes is believed, would be of mutual benefit to all the scholars in town. Many parents from outside districts send their scholars to our schools believing the benefits derived sufficient to pay tuition, abolish the districts, many more would come; we have ample room; we should have larger and better schools, and be able to hire the best talent for teachers, and get such apparatus as is almost indispensable in a well ordered school room. This matter will come up in town meeting for the action of the whole town.

Very respectfully submitted,

L. T. CARLETON, ) Directors School
C. A. COCHRAN, ) District No. 4,
W. E. WHITMAN ) Winthrop.

Thanking the citizens of district No. 4, and especially those interested in the success of our schools for their partiality in selecting me for the very responsible position of director for six years in succession, I beg leave to say that I decline a re-election.

Respectfully,

L. T. CARLETON, Chairman.
CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the Citizens of Winthrop:

I herewith submit my report of the condition and general efficiency of the Fire Department, together with an inventory of the property belonging to said department and a somewhat detailed statement of the work and duties performed by it for the Municipal year beginning March 16, 1885, and ending Feb. 23, '86.

The apparatus of the department is about 2,700 feet of 4-inch iron pipe, underground, with 9 hydrants operated by a force pump in basement of the Winthrop Mills Co's mill, Main Street, 1200 feet good rubber lined cotton hose, two hose carriages with both wheels and runners, in good order and condition, with axes, wrenches, spanners, lanterns, etc., sufficient for present use, a fire hook and ladders, such as they are, all the above in good working order.

The department is worked by the “Payson Tucker Hose Co.” composed of 26 good and efficient men, E. O. Kelley foreman, who have been prompt in responding to the call at every fire during the year and untiring in their efforts to subdue the same, notwithstanding, they have worked without compensation, which we trust they will not be asked to do another year.

Walace E. Berry was employed to take charge of the hose horse and all the apparatus connected with the department and to see that it is at all times in working order, which responsible position he has faithfully filled to the satisfaction of the department.

The work done by the department during the year is as follows, viz.:—They have been called out ten times, six of which were to fires and four to test the pipes, hydrants and hose, as well as the pump, to be sure that they were all in working order.

April 25th a test was made and found to be all right except hydrant No. 1, the valve in which was found to leak and a new one was at once obtained and the trouble remedied.
July 11th another test was made and found to be in good condition.

August 15th another test was made and found to be all right except hydrant No. 9, the “drop valve” of which was found out of place which was at once repaired and made as good as new.

August 24th the department were called out in the A. M. to a fire in the woolen mill, which had already gained good headway, but by the prompt and efficient action of the same the fire was soon under control, which at first bid fair for a big conflagration. The fire took in the picker room.

August 25th again called out to a fire in “Vinez Block,” so called, at four o’clock P. M. The Hose Company were very prompt in responding, and although the fire was getting well under way, it was soon extinguished. Fully insured, and the amount of insurance received was $30.00. Cause of fire unknown.

October 3d, the waterworks again tested by putting water through all the nine hydrants, and all found to be in good working condition.

October 4th Sunday, at 9:30 o’clock P. M. another summons for the department to a fire on Royal St. the house owned by Miss Angie Coy and occupied by L. M. Alley which was thoroughly in flames within, but by the prompt action of the Hose Company by hard work and water well applied, the fire was confined to this house notwithstanding a stable within five feet of the house was saved with almost no damage, which if it had burned its close proximity to other dwellings must have caused a disastrous conflagration. Insurance on the house $500, which nearly, or quite covered the loss. Mr. Alley lost about all the house contained, he having no insurance, and all the family being absent during the evening. Cause of the fire supposed to be a defective chimney.

November 21st, another call at 11:30 o’clock A. M. to another fire in the picker room of the woolen mill, and the promptness of the department in responding gave additional evidence that fire in this part of the village especially, cannot long burn without meeting with strenuous opposition from Payson Tucker Hose Co. The fire had not gained such headway but what the Mill Company with their own appliances were able to extinguish it without the department putting on any water. The amount of
loss at this fire and the one on Aug. 24th was $700.00, which was covered by insurance and has been paid. The origin of the fire was in the picker room.

December 2d. Soon after 12 o'clock this morning the department was again called forth from their slumbers to a fire in the stable which was connected with the "Benson House," so called, and occupied by G. W. Wood for a livery stable. They were as promptly on the ground as could be expected, considering it was at a time of night when people are expected to be soundly sleeping. The fire by this time had gained a threatening headway. The Company went to work with a will and with great effort, assisted somewhat by the citizens who readily responded to the call for help, were able to confine the fire to that set of buildings and by saving the main house mostly from burning. The watercocks worked very effectively discharging a very large amount of water, this pump running with no cessation for three and one half hours. Without this protection the school house must have burned, the Methodist church, Mr. Jackson’s house, and most likely other buildings in that direction, two or three houses in the opposite direction took fire on the roof but was extinguished.

The house was occupied by G. W. Wood and George W Caldwell, the former receiving from insurance company $166.00 damage on household goods and $935.00 on his livery stock, damaged and burned in the latter $134.00 on household goods damaged, and School District No. 4 received $230.00 damage to School House, insurance on the house and ell $2,000.00 of which the owners, Chas. Thomas and others, received $1,086.00. Origin of fire, stove in livery stable office.

December 20th, Sunday, 10:30 o’clock, P. M. Still another call upon the department to a fire in "Briggs’ Block," so called, in the tenement occupied by Mrs. Grover, there being six tenements in said block. The fire when discovered had gained such headway that Mrs. Grover narrowly escaped suffocation by smoke she being in bed and asleep and was given timely warning by an occupant of one of the other tenements.

Mr. F. O. Turner who occupied the adjoining tenement on the south, together with his wife, had barely time to escape, they also being in bed and asleep. Both families lost nearly all their household effects, but fortunately both were insured and received amounts nearly or quite equal to the loss, Mrs. Grover receiving $495.00 and Mr. Turner, $121.97.

The department was soon on the ground with two streams of water upon the fire confining the same to the two tenements
above named. Beyond these the principle damage to the other tenements was by water and the removal of their household effects, all of whom were insured, except Mrs. Winslow, whose loss was not large. Everett Barber, one of the tenents, received $74.75, F. W. Walton, another, received $38.25, and Frank Hanson, another, $34.50, Mr. Briggs received $540.50 for damage to the building, which is supposed to cover the loss.

The Hose Company are entitled to much credit at this fire for their promptness and efficiency in arresting it where they did, more especially when we consider the strong wind blowing and the coldness of the night, as the water wherever it came in contact with clothing or ladders in use, at once became frozen. With such protection against fire we must feel less and less regret at the expenditure thus made. Origin of the fire unknown.

During the winter the Hose Company have purchased twenty rubber coats and fireman's hats, the same having been paid for by voluntary contributions from citizens of the village and Baileyville, who felt the necessity of their having such protection.

I wish, here, in behalf of Payson Tucker Hose Company, to bespeak for them from the town, a reasonable compensation for their services for the year to come, they having discharged faithfuly their duties the past year without such compensation.

The expenses of the department for the year have been as small as possible, in connection with the efficiency of the same and for the details of which I refer you to the report of the Selectmen.

Before closing I wish to say it is absolutely important that the water pipe be extended to connect with the pump in the lower mill, as emergencies may arise such as to make it indispensable to the protection of the village and also from hydrant No. 8, across the railroad to a point somewhere near J. M. Benjamin's, and from hydrant No. 9, further down among the oilcloth buildings.

More hose are also needed to make the department more complete and effective, and it is to be hoped that at no very distant period of time, some way may be devised to accomplish the same. There are other wants of minor importance which it is hoped may in some way be supplied to increase the effectiveness of the department.

In closing I would say that I accepted the position of Chief Engineer with no little misgivings, knowing it to be a responsible one. I have been ably and faithfully supported by the officers and members of the department, as well as by the Selectmen, in so readily permitting the necessary expenses of the same and for all of which I feel truly grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. WING, Chief Engineer.

Winthrop, Me., Feb. 23, 1886.
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