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ANNUAL REPORT

OF

...Municipal Officers....

OF THE

TOWN OF PERU

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 20, 1901.

RUMFORD FALLS, ME.
TIMES BOOK AND JOB PRINT, 1901
Selectmen’s Report.

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**VALUATION.**

Resident real estate, $136,313 00
Resident personal estate, 41,702 00
Non-resident real estate, 26,720 00
Non-resident personal estate, 537 00

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**APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.**

State tax, $635 84
County tax, 418 28
For schools, 650 00
Roads and bridges, 2,000 00
To defray town charges, 1,500 00
Repairs on school houses, 150 00
For school books, 200 00
Fractional overlay, 184 22

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No. of polls, 196; rate of poll tax, $1.00;
amount of poll tax, $196 00
Rate of property tax, 27 mills on the
dollar; amount of property tax, 5,542 34

Total commitment to Stephen A. Getchell,
collector, $5,738 34

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**TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.**

**Expenses of Poor on the Town Farm.**

We have leased the town farm and personal property
thereon to A. B. McIntire for one year ending April 6, 1901.
He is to support Lenora Knight. He is to leave the farm
and personal property in as good condition as he received it.
SCHEDULE OF STOCK, ETC., ON THE FARM.

2 cows.
12 hens.
100 pounds pork.
3 tons of hay, farming tools, household furniture, etc., the same as last year.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid W. S. Walker for grass seed, wire, lead pipe and hardware for repairs about the buildings, $15 04
Arthur Richards for mason work, 4 00

$19 04

RECEIPTS.

Received for one cow, $25 00
Balance in favor of farm, 5 96

EXPENSES OF POOR NOT ON THE FARM.

Paid for support of W. M. Knight at Augusta, $132 52
Due town of Leeds for Stephen P. Wing, 5 00
Paid the State for C. H. Wing, 179 07
Dr. Sturtevant for Robie, 8 00
W. S. Walker for casket and robe, 24 00
Dr. Wm. Pease for medical attendance of Sarah Staples, 28 00
Mrs. James W. Gowell for care of Sarah Staples, 70 00

$446 59

Total expenses of poor for 1900, $465 63
Deduct the amount received from the State and now due for supplies furnished C. H. Wing, $179 07
Received from Sarah Staples, 25 00
Balance in favor of town farm, 5 96

$210 03

$255 60
TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. S. Walker, Treasurer of Peru,

Feb. 15, 1900. To amt. due on Wallace E. Hammond's tax bills of 1899, $4,043.46
Tax deeds on hand, 326.49
Cash on hand, 713.15

Mar. 8, " Cash for old school house, 10.00
" 30, " Cash received of Hiram Oldham, 65.00

Apr. 17, " From the State for dog licenses, 35.83
For rent of hall, 15.00

June 28, " Cash from the State for C. H. Wing, 67.37
" 28, " Cash from the selectmen, 400.00

July 26, " From the clerk for dog licenses, 44.00

Oct. 1, " Interest on deeds, 1.36
" 5, " From the State for C. H. Wing, 32.02
" 29, " Cash for cow sold on town farm, 25.00

Dec. 15, " Cash for deeds and interest, 4.39
" 27, " Cash from the State for C. H. Wing, 33.54
" 30, " Cash from J. W. Gowell, 25.00
State school fund, 543.72
Stephen A. Getchell's tax bill for 1900, 5,738.34

Feb. 12, 1901. For rent of hall, 1.50

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Feb. 14, 1901. By amt. due on Stephen A. Getchell's tax bills, 1900, $4,447.72
Orders and receipts, 6,976.77
Tax deeds, 359.86
Cash on hand, 340.82

$12,125.17
ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Amt. voted by town for roads and bridges, $2,000 00.
There has been expended on roads and bridges previous to March, 1900, $469 02
Expended by Stephen A. Getchell:

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<th>Amount</th>
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<td>March, 1900</td>
<td>$51 17</td>
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<tr>
<td>April</td>
<td>18 05</td>
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<td>May</td>
<td>290 48</td>
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<td>June</td>
<td>828 92</td>
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<td>Aug.</td>
<td>154 67</td>
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<td>Dec.</td>
<td>55 41</td>
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$1,398 70

Total amount expended on roads and bridges, $1,867 72
Due for orders not drawn, 750 46

Total amount, $2,618 18

SCHOOLS.

Amt. raised for support of schools, $650 00
Apportioned from State, 543 72
Interest on permanent school fund, 34 38
Unexpended balance from 1899, 3 92

$1,232 02

EXPENDITURES.

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<td>Teaching</td>
<td>$740 50</td>
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<td>Board</td>
<td>266 50</td>
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<td>Wood</td>
<td>33 06</td>
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<td>Janitors’ services</td>
<td>17 00</td>
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<td>Conveying scholars</td>
<td>127 00</td>
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$1,184 06

Balance unexpended, $47 96
ABATEMENTS.

Joseph Cote, poll, $1 00
Abel A. Davis, personal, 2 70
Daniel Gammon, " 2 70
Joseph T. Hammond, " 2 03
Lester E. Hazelton, poll 1 00
William A. Hartsgrove, poll and personal, 1 72
John A. Hemmingway, " " " 7 48
Herbert L. Jordan, " " " 5 56
William E. Knapp, " " " 3 70
Aaron Kennerson, poll, 1 00
P. C. Mayhew, " 1 00
Elias S. Oldham, " 1 00
Fred H. Whitman, 5 05
Samuel Jackson, poll and unpaid highway, 2 67

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

J. S. Sturtevant, return of births and deaths, $4 00
S. F. Robinson for making tax deeds, 1 00
For cleaning town hall, 2 00
Cash paid out by selectmen, 5 06
Blank books for the town, 3 90
Paid W. S. Walker for stationery and postage, 1 08
For school books, 257 19
Repairs on school houses, 124 56
Estimated cost of printing town report, 10 00

TOWN OFFICER’S BILLS.

Due S. F. Robinson, town clerk, $11 93
W. S. Walker, treasurer, 35 00
James W. Gowell, selectman, assessor, 49 70
Job R. Morrill, " " " 30 37
Ulysses G. McIntire, " " estimated, 25 00
Due Peter G. Barrett, superintendent, 75 00
Stephen A. Getchell, collector for 1900, 77 46
Samuel F. Robinson, board of health for 1900.
Mandeville Hall.
Benjamin Lovejoy.
Henry Floyd, truant officer.

$304 46

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Expenses of poor for 1900, $446 59
Expended on roads and bridges, 2,618 18
Orders of abatements, 38 61
Incidental expenses, 408 79
Town officers' bills, 304 46
Interest on permanent school fund, 34 38
Interest accrued during the year, 118 34

$3,969 35

RECEIPTS.

Amt. voted by town to defray town charges, $1,500 00
Amt. voted by town for roads and bridges, 2,000 00
Amt. voted by town for repairs of school houses, 150 00
Amt. voted by town for school books, 200 00
Fractional overlay, 184 22
Rent of hall, 16 50
From State for dog licenses, 35 83
From State for paupers, 132 93
Due from State for high school, 150 00
Due from State for paupers, 44 70
Cash from Hiram Oldham, 65 00
Cash for old school house, 10 00
Cash from Sarah Staples, 25 00
Due for rent of hall, 10 00
---$4,524 18

Balance in favor of 1900, $554 83

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN.

**LIABILITIES.**

- Outstanding orders bearing interest, $2,894 00
- Interest due Feb. 18, 1901, 80 93
- Orders not on interest, 151 50
- Due the town schools, 47 96
- Due for town officers bills, 1900, 304 46
- Estimated cost of printing this report, 10 00
- Due for orders not drawn for work on highway, 750 46
---$4,239 31

**ASSETS.**

- In hands of treasurer, $5,148 40
- Town farm and personal property, 575 00
---$5,723 40

Assets more than liabilities, $1,484 09
All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. GOWELL,
JOB R. MORRILL,
Selectmen of Peru.
Superintendent’s Report.

I hereby submit my report for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1901.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance from last year, $ 3 90
Appropriated by town, 650 00
Amt. from State, 543 72
Interest on school fund, 34 38

$1,232 00

Teachers’ wages, $722 75
“ board, 288 75
Conveying pupils, 127 00
Janitors, 17 00
Fuel, 32 06
1899 bills, 3 00

$1,190 56

Bal. Common School Acct., $ 41 44

TEXT BOOKS.

Appropriated by town, $200 00
Books purchased, $191 16
1899 bills paid, $73 16

$264 32

Overdrawn, $ 64 32
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REPAIRS.

Appropriated by town, $150 00
Desks for West Peru, $86 40
Freight on same, 10 40
Cleaning houses, 11 75
Sundries, 16 01

$124 56

Bal. unexpended, $25 44

It will be seen by the above statement that we have kept within the appropriations, the balance overdrawn in the text book account being caused by bills unpaid from 1899.

I would recommend an appropriation of not less than $150 for text books, so as to supply this deficiency and have enough to buy new books needed.

The following new books have been introduced into the schools during the past year:

- Montgomery's American History.
- Montgomery's Beginner's History.
- Ellis' American History.
- Baldwin Readers.
- Cyr's Fourth and Fifth Readers.
- The Complete Spelling Book.
- Metcalf & Bright's Language Lessons, Parts I and II.

REPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Length of terms: summer, 9 weeks; winter, 11 weeks.

EAST.

Summer term, Mabel M. Bisbee, teacher. No. of pupils, 14; wages, $4.50; board $2.00 per week. Winter term, Maude J. Gibbs, teacher. No. of pupils, 16; wages, $5.00; board, $2.00 per week.
CENTER.
Ada E. Gerrish, teacher. No. of pupils, 18; wages, $5.00; board $1.50 per week in summer. Wages, $5.00; board, $2.00 per week in winter.

WEST.
Summer term, Mary E. Crockett, teacher. No. of pupils, 35; wages, $6.75; board, $2.25 per week. Winter term, Frank G. Smith, teacher. No. of pupils, 31; wages, $7.50; board, $2.50 per week.

DICKVALE.
Summer term, Bertha L. Goggin, teacher. No. of pupils, 30; wages, $6.00; board, $2.00 per week. Winter term, Miss Clarice O. Thayer. No. of pupils, 32; wages, $6.00; board, $2.00 per week.

POND.
Summer term, Emma A. Bray, teacher. No. of pupils, 14; wages, $3.50; board, $2.00 per week. Winter term, Arthur L. Dexter, teacher. No. of pupils, 17; wages, $5.00; board, $2.50 per week.

KNOX.
Summer term, Jennie R. Irish, teacher. No. of pupils, 14; wages, $3.50; board, $2.00 per week. Winter term, Joseph A. Putnam, teacher. No. of pupils, 14; wages, $5.00; board, $2.00 per week.

RIDGE.
F. L. Phinney, teacher. No. of pupils, 18; wages, summer, $4.00; board, $2.00 per week. Winter, wages, $5.00; board, $2.00 per week.

The work done and progress made has been satisfactory in nearly all cases.

Respectfully submitted,

P. G. BARRETT, Supt. of Schools.