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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF FALMOUTH, ME.

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 19

1910

WEST FALMOUTH, ME:
NOYES PRINTING COMPANY, PRINTERS
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Town Officers, 1909.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.

ALGERNON BOWIE, LAWRENCE L. RAMSDELL
NATHAN S. CLIFFORD.

Town Clerk.

ARTHUR S. NOYES.

Treasurer.

WILLIAM E. DOW.

School Committee.

WILSON NEVINS, STEPHEN G. HUSTON
WILLIAM H. MERRILL.

Superintendent of Schools.

H. M. MOORE.

Board of Health.

DANIEL W. LUNT, C. G. PURRINGTON
GEORGE M. WHITNEY.

Collector of Taxes.

JOHN F. WILLIAMS.

Road Commissioners.

IVER H. IVERSEN, WILLIAM E. WINSLOW
SEWELL P. WINSLOW.

Auditor.

DANIEL W. LUNT.

Constable.

JOHN F. WILLIAMS.

Warrant for Town Meeting.

*To JOHN F. WILLIAMS, a Constable in the
Town of Falmouth,*

GREETING :—

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Falmouth, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the town house in said town, on the seventh day of March, 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:—

First. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Second. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Third. To hear and act upon the reports of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Assessors, Treasurer, and Superintendent of Schools.

Fourth. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Fifth. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools and the poor, and the repairs of roads and bridges and defray all other necessary town charges for the ensuing year.

Sixth. To see what action the town will take in regard to the pay of town officers.

Seventh. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, on a written order from the Selectmen, to hire on the credit of the town, such sums of money, as in their opinion, may be necessary to meet the liabilities and current expenses of the town or act anything relative thereto.

Eighth. To see if the town will vote yes, or no upon the adoption of the provisions of chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, as amended by chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for highways for the year 1910.

Ninth. To see if the town will raise and appropriate in addition to the amounts regularly raised and appropriated for the care of highways and bridges, the sum of \$500.00 being an amount which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, as amended by chapter 69 Public Laws of 1909.

Tenth. On petition of John H. Lunt and others, to see if the town will vote to contract with the Portland water District to install fifteen (15) hydrants and raise money for the same.

Eleventh. To see if the town will vote to purchase two or more chemical fire engines and raise money for the same.

Twelfth. To see what action the town will take in relation to rebuilding Presumpscot Falls Bridge and adopt plans as proposed by the Selectmen or act anything relative thereto.

Thirteenth. To see what sum the town will vote to raise for Presumpscot Bridge for the year 1910.

Fourteenth. On request of Silas Skillin to see what disposition the town will make, if any, of the money raised, assessed, and collected for certain purposes, in years past and not expended, and now in the town treasury.

Fifteenth. On petition of cottage owners at Town Landing to see if the town will raise for the especial purpose of repairing Town road and the wharf at the end of said road the sum of \$500.00, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen of said town during the year 1910.

Sixteenth. To see if the town will vote to instruct Super-

intending School Committee to unite with other towns in employing a Superintendent of Schools provided satisfactory arrangements can be made.

Seventeenth. To see if the town will vote to have a new valuation taken this year.

Eighteenth. On request of S. P. Winslow to see if the town will widen the road leading from the old county Blackstrap road to the Westbrook line known as the Marsh road, and raise money for the same.

Nineteenth. On request of D. B. Strout to see if the town will vote to purchase one or more snow rollers and raise money for the same.

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 upon the application of persons claiming to have their names entered upon said lists, at the town office, at eight o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February, A. D. 1910.

ALGERNON BOWIE,	}	Selectmen
LAWRENCE L. RAMSDELL,		of
NATHAN S. CLIFFORD,		Falmouth.

REPORT OF

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.

To the Inhabitants of Falmouth:

We, the undersigned, Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, herewith submit our report for the municipal year ending February 19, 1910.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN FOR YEAR 1909

Real estate, resident,	\$594,875 00	
Real estate, non-resident,	421,790 00	
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Total real estate,		\$1,016,665 00
Personal estate, resident,	\$476,777 00	
Personal estate, non-resident,	23,435 00	
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Total personal estate,		500,212 00
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Total value estates,		\$1,516,877 00

Rate of taxation, \$12.20 on \$1,000.

Number of Polls, 386.

Poll tax, \$2.00.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1909.

For State tax,	\$4,674 02
County tax,	1,877 36
Highways,	3,000 00
Schools,	2,500 00
State Road,	194 50
Out Poor and Insane,	900 00
Town Officers,	900 00
Presumpscot Bridge,	2,000 00
Bridges and Culverts,	400 00
Gravel,	500 00
Pride Culvert,	500 00
Snow,	200 00
Brown Tail Moth,	300 00
High School Tuition,	400 00
Repairs of School Houses,	300 00
Text Books,	250 00
School Supplies,	100 00
Contingencies,	250 00
Overlay,	32 91
Supplementary,	16 54
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Total amount committed to collector,	\$19,295 33

Account of Expenditures.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation,	\$900 00
Rec'd from State on Supt., salary,	37 50
Est. F. B. Blanchard, Selectman, etc.,	\$155 62
Algernon Bowie, Selectman, etc., 1908,	146 50
Algernon Bowie, " " 1909,	50 00
L. L. Ramsdell, " " 1908,	140 00
L. L. Ramsdell, " " 1909,	60 00

J. F. Williams, Collector, 1907-8,	\$100 00	
J. F. Williams, " 1909,	150 00	
J. F. Williams, Constable, 1909,	26 50	
William E. Dow, Treasurer,	75 00	
H. M. Moore, Supt. Schools,	150 00	
A. S. Noyes, Collector, 1905,	25 00	
George H. Hill, Constable,	18 00	
Wilson Nevins, S. S. Committee,	7 50	
S. G. Huston, " " 1908-9,	9 00	
D. W. Lunt, Board of Health,	12 00	
D. W. Lunt, Auditor,	2 00	
George M. Whitney, Board of Health,	15 05	
A. H. Haskell, " "	5 00	
George D. York, Election Clerk,	4 00	
From contingencies,		213 67
	<u>\$1,151 17</u>	<u>\$1,151 17</u>

HIGHWAYS.

Appropriation,		\$3,000 00
Amount set apart for State road,	\$387 00	
Expended and carried to Pride cul.,	2,670 86	
Balance against appropriation,		57 86
	<u>\$3,057 86</u>	<u>\$3,057 86</u>

IVER H. IVERSEN, Commissioner.

Apportionment,		\$871 00
Iver H. Iversen,	\$185 10	
Martin Iversen,	74 25	
Andrew Iversen,	106 75	
Christian Iversen,	49 50	
C. K. Richards, labor and gravel,	48 70	
C. J. Smith,	66 95	

Christian Wibe,	\$15 75	
Richard Silvanus,	45 51	
Neils Johnsen,	54 25	
Ferdinand Ebbesen, labor and gravel,	54 50	
Ole Andersen,	37 63	
Peter Krag,	63 45	
J. P. Jensen,	13 50	
S. W. Hamilton,	13 50	
H. J. Poland, gravel,	10 80	
J. J. Littlefield, gravel,	11 40	
O. D. Bucknam, stone,	80	
Kendall & Whitney,	2 00	
Good Roads Machinery Co.	7 33	
C. E. Merrill,	11 10	
Balance against appropriation,		1 77
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	\$872 77	\$872 77

W. E. WINSLOW, Commissioner.

Apportionment,		\$871 00
W. E. Winslow,	\$176 25	
Levi W. Huston,	62 75	
Leon M. Winslow,	72 05	
A. H. Haskell, labor and gravel,	31 80	
E. B. Leighton,	40 35	
Niel Jensen,	37 60	
Casper Andersen,	49 95	
Harry Lawson,	21 60	
G. R. Whitney,	26 65	
W. L. Mountfort,	19 50	
H. D. Winn,	13 25	
Elmer Leighton,	91 50	
John Waburg,	11 20	
Wallace Marston,	28 60	

Howard Leighton,	\$ 5 15	
Alfred Jensen,	19 85	
Harry Merrill,	19 60	
N. B. Field, gravel,	12 60	
Est. F. B. Blanchard, gravel,	5 20	
E. W. Winslow,	11 25	
David Spearin,	5 75	
Amos Marston,	9 00	
King & Dexter,	3 75	
Arthur Lawson,	2 50	
Carl O. Lund, labor and gravel,	81 05	
Kendall & Whitney,	3 25	
W. H. Pearson & Co.,	80	
Good Roads Machinery Co.,	7 33	
Thomas Thorisen,	5 60	
Percy R. Winslow,	3 30	
J. J. Littlefield, gravel,	13 00	
John J. Frye,	80	
Ole Petersen, gravel,	2 60	
W. H. Winslow,	70	
J. R. Wescott, smithwork,	20	
John Jensen, gravel,	4 20	
T. B. Davis,	1 70	
Leighton Bros.,	1 20	
Maine Central R. R. Co.	46	
Fred Hansen,	4 50	
Lewis C. Smith,	15 50	
E. E. Winslow,	60	
Perley J. Leighton,	3 00	
Balance against appropriation,		56 09
	<hr/> \$927 09	<hr/> \$927 09

S. P WINSLOW, Commissioner.

Apportionment,		\$871 00
S. P. Winslow,	\$203 87	
L. L. Baston,	51 04	
E. A. Marston,	40 50	
Percy West,	50 15	
C. E. Harmon,	76 40	
Elton Clough,	28 50	
J. Gundersen,	73 52	
George Olmstead,	4 50	
Isaac Harmon, gravel,	70	
E. F. Huston,	1 75	
Stephen O'Brion,	17 50	
King & Dexter, tools,	11 95	
Kendall & Whitney,	2 00	
Carl Harlow,	17 50	
W. E. Marston,	11 37	
E. W. Ross,	7 00	
Good Roads Machinery Co.,	7 34	
R. S. Barbrick,	85 63	
W. H. Pearson & Co.,	83	
T. Young,	2 50	
W. H. Winslow,	3 25	
E. A. Tibbetts,	7 88	
John Watts,	1 75	
Lewis Bennett,	34 57	
Arthur Bodkin,	22 88	
Fred S. Huston,	10 50	
W. S. Pride,	2 41	
E. Corey & Co.,	1 68	
C. L. Blake,	9 00	
H. D. Babbidge,	9 00	
E. Huston, gravel,	4 60	

William E. Lucas, lumber,	\$34 00	
P. J. Lyte,	8 00	
Carried to Pride culvert,	17 93	
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	\$871 00	\$871 00

SNOW.

Appropriation,		\$200 00
Balance last report,		134 21
C. F. Colley,	\$ 5 70	
Warren D. Baker,	1 20	
Wilson Nevins,	2 40	
Donald Colley,	1 20	
Niel Thim,	3 00	
H. D. Babbidge,	13 60	
W E. Winslow,	34 65	
S. P. Winslow,	19 90	
J. Gundersen,	15 80	
W P. Simmons,	11 80	
E. W. Ross,	5 50	
G. S. Latham,	20	
R. W. E. Winslow,	4 40	
O. G. Blake,	5 60	
W T. Curtis & Son,	3 95	
Lawrence Dyhrburg,	1 20	
Peter Dyhrburg,	90	
J. H. Fabricious,	1 20	
Hugo Fabricious,	90	
Harry Brink,	2 35	
Reuben Merrill,	1 10	
Ernest W Winslow,	10 50	
George H. Hill,	1 60	
Iver H. Iversen,	9 00	

Richard Sylvanus,	\$ 3 00	
Ferdinand Ebbesen,	3 00	
Emile Iversen,	4 00	
Niel Johnsen,	2 40	
J. Smith,	3 00	
C. K. Richards,	6 75	
Christian Iversen,	6 75	
Fred Hinck,	9 00	
L. W. Hadlock,	1 20	
Arthur Ulricksen,	70	
David Spearin,	3 10	
John Jensen,	2 80	
Andrew Iversen,	27 00	
Elton Clough,	2 20	
A. J. Morgan,	1 60	
E. A. Marston,	1 20	
C. G. Purrington,	7 40	
E. P. Aaskov,	1 90	
Lund Bros.,	4 20	
John Waburg,	6 15	
Iver Iversen,	3 00	
Martin Iversen,	7 00	
L. M. Iversen,	2 60	
George M. Fozzard,	60	
Percy F. West,	2 40	
J. R. Wescott,	1 25	
W. I. Thurlow,	3 20	
U. R. Pride,	11 40	
J. L. West,	2 40	
Wilbur Libby,	7 20	
Arthur Conant,	7 20	
S. W. Hamilton,	6 00	
Balance in favor appropriation,	24 96	
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	\$334 21	\$334 21

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Appropriation,		\$400 00
L. A. Olmstead,	\$13 50	
C. R. & W. H. Mountfort,	5 00	
Canton Bridge Co.,	41 65	
Iver H. Iversen,	41 25	
Andrew Iversen,	4 50	
R. L. Sylvanus,	11 38	
Peter Krag,	14 88	
Niel Johnsen,	5 75	
C. J. Smith,	14 88	
Ferdinand Ebbesen,	5 25	
W E. Winslow, labor and material,	65 00	
Martin H. Smith,	1 75	
Lewis C. Smith,	20 35	
Casper Andersen,	14 00	
Leon M. Winslow,	15 85	
Elmer J Leighton,	13 50	
Frank P. Marston, stone,	7 50	
A. H. Haskell, “	2 25	
Levi W Huston,	2 25	
S. P. Winslow,	45 15	
J. Gundersen,	12 26	
E. A. Tibbetts,	3 07	
E. A. Marston,	88	
Percy F. West,	20 13	
Winslow & Co.,	3 86	
Percy R. Winslow,	30	
Carl O. Lund,	4 50	
W. H. Pearson & Co.,	2 30	
W. S. Pride,	3 17	
Martin Iversen,	9 00	
Niel Johnsen, stone,	2 00	
Deering Winslow,	9 60	
From overlay,		16 71
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	\$416 71	\$416 71

PRIDE CULVERT.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
S. P. Winslow,	\$137 94	
E. A. Marston,	103 50	
E. A. Tibbetts,	60 80	
J. Gundersen,	54 07	
W. E. Winslow,	1 25	
Percy F. West,	40 85	
W. E. Marston,	29 75	
H. G. Ross,	51 00	
R. S. Barbrick,	22 50	
George Graham,	3 00	
Perley J. Leighton,	1 40	
Webber,	3 80	
Cox & Ward, cement,	31 50	
Mrs. A. E. Tibbetts,	15 00	
From S. P. Winslow highway acct.		17 93
Balance against appropriation,		38 43
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	\$556 36	\$556 36

STATE ROAD.

Appropriation,		\$194 50
Set apart from highways,		387 00
From State,		437 62
Iver H. Iversen, labor and material	\$168 30	
C. K. Richards,	54 80	
S. W. Hamilton,	30 00	
C. J. Smith, labor and stone,	82 60	
R. L. Sylvanus,	71 00	
Niel Johnsen,	83 00	
Peter Krag,	69 00	

F. Ebbesen,	\$67 25	
Martin Iversen,	82 50	
Andrew Iversen,	63 00	
Christian Iversen,	70 30	
Ole Andersen,	24 00	
Silas Skillin, surveying,	14 00	
G. M. Bucknam, stone,	24 20	
J. Jensen, “	6 80	
A. H. Haskell, “	1 50	
F. P. Marston, “	2 25	
W. E. Howell, “	75	
Canton Bridge Co.,	53 20	
Kendall & Whitney, tools,	5 20	
Talbot, Brooks & Ayer,	1 50	
J. Whitney, dynamite,	2 50	
J. Brown,	1 50	
W. E. Winslow, lumber,	10 17	
J. R. Wescott, smithwork,	4 40	
Dresser & Carlisle,	1 00	
A. Bowie,	9 39	
Eastern Argus Publishing Co.,	4 88	
Portland Publishing Co.,	4 13	
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	\$1,019 12	\$1,019 12

CONTINGENCIES.

Appropriation,	\$250 00
State, dog licenses refunded,	118 53
State, railroad and telegraph tax,	182 50
Received acct. tax deeds,	111 80
Telephone tolls,	80
Noyes Printing Co.,	\$97 27
H. M. Moulton, M. D., certificate births and deaths,	4 75

I. D. Harper, M. D., certificate births and deaths,	\$ 25	
New England Telephone Co.,	3 93	
Fred C. Christisen, fuel,	2 75	
James Pelton, subduing fire, 1908,	2 50	
Nelson Pelton, " " "	2 50	
E. W. Winslow, " " "	1 50	
Wilbur Libby, " " "	4 00	
B. S. Hawkes, " " "	6 00	
H. F. Leighton, " " "	2 00	
L. M. Iversen, " " 1909,	4 50	
Niel Johnsen, " " "	1 00	
Portland Publishing Co.,	2 00	
Eastern Argus Publishing Co.,	14 00	
F. L. Clark, recording deeds,	1 50	
A. H. Haskell, board health,	1 85	
H. H. Hay Sons, for board health,	9 95	
D. W. Lunt, " "	60	
F. O. J. Pride,	7 50	
C. F. Colley,	5 00	
George Beck,	15 10	
Hugh F. Flynn,	2 00	
W. I. Thurlow,	15 00	
Martin L. Smith,	50	
Sargent, Lord & Co., rope and blocks,	8 65	
Thomas Laughlin Co.,	5 20	
Portland Water District,	2 31	
George D. Loring, office supplies,	16 33	
W. E. Dow, stationery and stamps,	5 50	
C. G. Purrington,	5 00	
E. F. Robinson, M. D., certificate births and deaths, 1907-8-9,	14 25	
Carried to Town Officers acct.,	213 67	
Balance in favor appropriation,	184 77	
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	\$663 63	\$663 63

BROWN TAIL MOTH.

Appropriation,		\$300 00
Stanley Norton,	\$1 30	
Jens H. Wibe,	5 36	
Arthur Ulricksen,	24 15	
Howard Ramsdell,	19 76	
Florence Skillin,	25	
Rossie Pratt,	12 02	
Ray G. Ricker,	9 90	
Willie Conner,	4 10	
Walter Conner,	3 05	
Henry T. Merrill,	4 15	
Walter E. Swett,	3 25	
Edward Nickerson,	4 19	
George Starling,	8 08	
Rose Starling,	5 80	
Melville Hinck,	24 66	
Ralph H. Doughty,	8 15	
Frank Hinck,	1 70	
Alexander Skillin,	65	
Charles Jarrett,	14 80	
Eugene C. Bibber,	2 10	
B. H. Winslow,	17 70	
Annie M. Adamsen,	10	
Guy Glendening,	5 90	
Donald Colley,	4 25	
Howard Leighton,	3 69	
Walton Libby,	2 05	
Raymond Bean,	1 25	
Austin Bean,	3 48	
Bessie Lord,	3 31	
H. Pelton,	54	
Charles B. Leighton,	6 90	
Wellington Pratt,	4 15	
Robert Jordan,	2 37	

George Noyes,	\$ 5 82	
Lawrence Terrisen,	3 38	
Frank Tocher,	2 76	
Ralph Strout,	1 77	
Guy B. Mason,	1 25	
Wilson Nevins,	1 48	
Lester Marston,	2 77	
Percy R. Winslow,	1 13	
Lunt & Colley,	8 50	
Arthur Lowell,	91	
Ole Andersen,	3 79	
Marion Ramsdell,	52	
Willis M. Whitney,	10 08	
Francis Thompson,	1 15	
James H. Whitney,	15 87	
Edward F. Dow,	45	
E. P. Kimball,	3 05	
James B. Lord,	5 00	
Helen Waite,	75	
Arthur O'Brion,	1 28	
Marshall Taylor,	14 91	
Balance in favor appropriation,	27	
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	\$300 00	\$300 00

GRAVEL PITS.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Carl O. Lund,	\$150 00	
Balance in favor appropriation,	350 00	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00

CEMETERIES.

Balance last report,		\$37 89
W. E. Winslow,	\$ 5 00	
Balance in favor appropriation,	32 89	
	<u>37 89</u>	<u>37 89</u>

PRESUMPCOT BRIDGE.

Appropriation,		\$2,000 00
Unexpended,	\$2,000 00	
	<u>2,000 00</u>	<u>2,000 00</u>

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,		\$2,500 00
State Mill and Bank tax,		2,001 71
Balance last report,		683 24
Wilson Nevins, fuel and janitor 1908,	\$ 6 46	
Sadie A. Sylvester, teaching 1908,	27 00	
Edith M. Greenwood, " "	45 00	
Ella M. Mountfort, " "	26 00	
Herbert L. Wass, " "	47 50	
Olive Dolloff, " "	36 00	
S. Ella Palmer, " "	36 00	
Ina M. Huston, " "	26 25	
Fred R. Stewart, " "	38 00	
Grace L. Graham, " "	34 00	
Emma M. Haskell, " "	34 00	
Evelyn Yeaton, " "	36 25	

Margrett Glendening, janitor 1908,	\$	4	50
Rossie Pratt, " "		2	25
Hugo Fabricious, " "		2	25
Clifford Blake, " "		4	50
George Young, " "		2	25
Vernon Wilson, " "		2	25
Hans J. Smith, conveying scholars,		60	00
C. H. Field, " "		54	00
E. W. Winslow, fuel 1909,		19	25
C. F. Colley, " "		38	50
Wilson Nevins, " "		23	51
H. D. Babbidge, " "		39	75
S. W. Hamilton, " "		61	50
F. M. Blake, " "		4	00
W. H. Merrill, " "		12	00
Percy West, " "		24	00
G. V. Olmstead, " "		4	20
Vernon Wilson, fuel and janitor,		7	50
Edith M. Greenwood, teaching,		258	50
Sadie A. Sylvester, " "		225	00
Evelyn Yeaton, " "		210	00
Olive Dolloff, " "		216	00
S. Ella Palmer, " "		244	00
Grace L. Graham, " "		204	00
Emma M. Haskell, " "		99	00
Fred R. Stewart, " "		23	00
Lizzie M. Copp, " "		22	50
Mrs. M. G. Hall, " "		20	50
Genevieve Norton, " "		117	00
Mrs. Warren D. Baker, " "		110	50
Emiline Simonton, " "		30	00
Isla M. Chick, " "		32	00
E. B. Williams, " "		50	00
Ella M. Mountfort, teaching-janitor,		193	75
Herbert L. Wass, " "		137	50
Ina M. Huston, " "		81	70

Warren G. Lunt, teaching-janitor,	\$126 50	
H. F. Crocker, " "	223 70	
H. E. Record, " "	169 00	
Philip K. Merrill, fitting fuel,	2 25	
Donald Colley, " "	50	
Martin Smith, " "	1 10	
H. K. Norton, " "	1 20	
Margrett Glendenning, janitor,	5 50	
Clifford Blake, "	5 80	
Rossie Pratt, "	6 25	
Fred Young, "	2 75	
Almer Fabricious, "	6 00	
John C. Aaskov, "	2 75	
Clifford Aaskov, "	3 25	
Harold Marston, "	1 50	
Robert McDonald, "	6 50	
Frank Tocher, "	3 50	
Elmer Olsen, "	3 25	
Thomas Thompson, fuel,	11 00	
Stephen G. Huston, "	1 00	
E. L. Huston, "	19 50	
E. B. Leighton, "	5 75	
Mrs. Leon Winslow, convey'g scholars,	94 50	
C. H. Field, " "	144 00	
Due to schools,	1,304 28	
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	\$5,184 95	\$5,184 95

TEXT BOOKS.

Balance last report,		\$ 43 75
Appropriation,		250 00
H. M. Moore,	\$ 2 15	
Ginn & Company,	131 36	
American Book Co.,	141 09	
E. M. Ward,	7 15	
D. Appleton & Co.,	6 75	
Wilson Nevins,	50	
Balance in favor appropriation,	4 75	
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	\$293 75	\$293 75

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Balance last report,		\$ 14 95
Appropriation,		100 00
Dow & Hodsdon,	\$ 1 20	
W. H. Pearson & Co.,	2 75	
Dresser & Carlisle,	1 60	
W. H. Rowe,	3 50	
A. S. Noyes,	22 95	
Anson Tilton,	1 50	
Henry E. Gooding,	3 00	
C. F. Colley,	63	
J. L. Hammet Co.,	2 90	
Wilson Nevins,	10	
H. W. Shaylor,	14 50	
Balance in favor appropriation,	60 32	
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	\$114 95	\$114 95

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Appropriation,		\$300 00
Charles Batchelder,	\$ 3 00	
Wilson Nevins,	58 39	
Dow & Hodsdon,	1 32	
H. M. Moore,	1 05	
Storer Bros.,	68	
O. M. & D. W. Nash,	7 00	
C. F. Colley,	88 50	
Emery Waterhouse Co.,	2 18	
Ernest W. Winslow,	1 00	
Jerome Rumery Co.,	74 13	
Mrs. Mary Jensen,	2 00	
W H. Pearson & Co.,	4 55	
Dresser & Carlisle,	11 70	
Mrs. F. M. Blake,	5 25	
Oren Hooper's Sons,	3 30	
Frank P Tibbetts & Co.,	2 00	
Philip K. Merrill,	2 00	
Mrs. John Arsenault	5 10	
Mrs. John Adams,	9 83	
Clifford Aaskov,	1 50	
Georgie Cobb,	5 00	
Mrs. W P Simmons,	5 00	
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	3 25	
Carl Garsoe & Son,	13 00	
Ella M. Leighton,	19 50	
J. R. Wescott,	3 15	
Talbot, Brooks, & Ayer,	22 50	
S. G. Huston,	3 60	
L. A. Olmstead,	11 30	
Fred Olsen,	5 50	
Mrs. Fred Olsen,	4 00	
Portland Stove Foundry,	11 00	
E. B. Leighton,	1 60.	
Balance against appropriation,		92 88
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	\$392 88	\$392 88

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.

Balance last report,		\$431 62
Appropriation,		400 00
Due from State,		250 00
Ethel W. Huston, Westbrook High,	\$24 93	
Lewis Jordan, Thornton Academy,	30 00	
Viola Nickerson, Yarmouth High,	9 00	
Rose Starling, " "	27 00	
Iler Grafton, " "	9 00	
Howard P. Ramsdell, N. Y. Academy,	30 00	
Gladys M. Lunt, " "	10 00	
Bertha L. Winslow, " "	10 00	
Robert Colley, " "	30 00	
Arthur V. Lunt, " "	30 00	
Mary R. Lowell, " "	30 00	
Donald G. Colley, " "	30 00	
Howard M. Leighton, " "	30 00	
Guy W. Glendening, " "	30 00	
Ernest Lund, " "	20 00	
Ervin Kimball, " "	20 00	
Ralph Doughty, " "	20 00	
Stanley Norton, " "	20 00	
Willis Whitney, " "	20 00	
Marcellus Ricker, " "	20 00	
Hertha Lund, " "	20 00	
Wm. A. Field, Westbrook Seminary,	20 00	
Alta Hill, " "	10 00	
George Mountfort, " "	10 00	
Boniface Campbell, " "	10 00	
Harriet Webber, " "	10 00	
Petrea Wibe, " "	10 00	
Everett O'Brion, " "	10 00	
Blanche Huston, Greely Institute,	16 00	
Inez O'Brion, " "	16 00	

George Mountfort, Deering High,	\$15 00	
Marion Harmon, " "	30 00	
Lorene Merrill, " "	30 00	
Myra Strout, " "	30 00	
Philip Merrill, " "	30 00	
Karl Pearson, " "	30 00	
Hertha Lund, " "	15 00	
Everett O'Brion, " "	15 00	
Clifford Blake, " "	15 00	
Raymond Blake, " "	15 00	
Fred Young, " "	15 00	
George Young, " "	15 00	
Dorothy Merrill, " "	15 00	
Marie Gammon, " "	15 00	
Edith Gribben, " "	15 00	
Walter E. Swett, Portland High,	15 00	
Balance in favor appropriation,	184 69	
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	\$1,081 62	\$1,081 62

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

STATEMENT.

Received from C. Petersen, to balance
account per last report, \$30 00

TOWN FARM IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

Balance last report,	\$738 00	
Cash from C. Petersen, in rental,	90 00	
Due from C. Petersen,	30 00	
Uriah Libby, cow,	10 00	
Sterling Mowatt, cow,	\$35 00	
Hugo Fabricious,	1 00	
Jerome Rumery Co., lumber,	45 00	
Dresser & Carlisle,	3 18	
C. F. Colley, labor,	39 00	
C. Petersen, “	19 75	
W. H. Pearson & Co.,	2 86	
Balance in favr faorm,	722 21	
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	\$868 00	\$868 00

Stock on farm, 1 horse, 2 cows, 100 hens.

OUT POOR AND INSANE.

Appropriation,	\$ 900 00
Received from city of Portland, on account of Johan Jensen,	115 09
Received from State, on account of Edward H. Marston,	35 00
Due from State, on account of State Pauper,	16 50
Due from City of Portland, on ac- count of Graffam family,	4 33
Mrs. Lizzie E. Blanchard, board Chase children,	\$278 00
Mrs. Lizzie E. Blanchard, clothes and etc., Chase children,	21 47
W. H. Pearson & Co., Chase children,	8 70

W. H. Pearson & Co., E. Tolman,	\$156 00	
Mary McLean, for Neil McLean,	117 00	
W H. Pearson & Co., John McDonald,	27 43	
Talbot Co., " "	14 81	
H. M. Moulton, M. D., Emma Chase,	4 80	
H. M. Moulton, M. D., Neil McLean,	6 50	
C. W. Foster, M. D., exam., insane,	5 00	
C. K. Richards,	2 00	
Maine General Hospital,	16 50	
S. W. Hamilton, fuel for Ellen Huston,	7 25	
City of South Portland, on account of		
Amos Green's family,	165 79	
Maine Insane Hospital, for J. Jensen,	98 02	
Maine Insane Hospital, for William		
S. Hobbs,	221 42	
Maine Insane Hospital, for John W		
Brink,	84 44	
N. S. Clifford, expense to Augusta,		
commitment John W Brink,	8 95	
John C. Nichols, burial of Edward H.		
Marston,	35 00	
Addison Thayer, examination insane,	10 00	
A. H. Wilson, fuel for Ellen Huston,	3 25	
Hollis F. Leighton,	3 00	
S. W. Hamilton, fuel, Graffam family,	75	
Dresser & Carlisle, " "	3 58	
E. F. Robinson, M. D., exam., insane,	10 00	
E. F. Robinson, M. D., medical attend-		
ance, two tramps,	2 50	
E. F. Robinson, M. D., medical attend-		
ance W. C. Woodman family,	20 00	
E. F. Robinson, M, D., medical attend-		
ance John McDonald,	2 00	
Balance against appropriation,		263 24
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	\$1,334 16	\$1,334 14

TAXES ABATED.

On list Arthur S. Noyes, 1905,	\$ 8 30
John F. Williams, 1906,	37 04
“ “ 1907,	75 50
“ “ 1908,	13 04
“ “ 1909,	71 42

OVERLAY ACCOUNT.

Balance last report,	\$22 13	
Overlay 1909,		32 91
Carried to Bridge and Culvert acct.,	\$16 71	
Balance,	38 33	
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	\$55 04	\$55 04

COLLECTORS' ACCOUNT.

ARTHUR S. NOYES, 1905.

DR.

Balance last report,		\$17 30
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CR.

Cash,	\$9 00	
Abatements,	8 30	17 30

JOHN F. WILLIAMS, 1906.

DR.

Balance last report,		\$245 66
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CR.

Cash,	\$147 75	
Abatements,	37 04	
Uncollected as per list,	60 87	245 66

JOHN F. WILLIAMS, 1907.

DR.

Balance last report,		\$143 07
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CR.

Cash,	\$15 70	
Abatements,	77 75	
Uncollected as per list,	49 62	143 07

JOHN F. WILLIAMS, 1908.

DR.

Balance last report,		\$199 83
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CR.

Cash,	\$120 35	
Abatements,	14 29	
Uncollected as per list,	65 19	199 83

JOHN F. WILLIAMS. 1909.

DR.

Total commitment,		\$19,295 33
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CR.

Cash,	\$19,037 61	
Abatements,	71 42	
Uncollected as per list,	186 30	19,295 33

List of Delinquent Tax Payers.

Year 1906.

Baker, Leonard G.	\$ 2 00	
Baker, Francis D.	2 00	
Beck, George E.	6 96	
Coburn, J. L.	2 00	
Goudy, George H.	2 00	
Iceton, William	2 00	
Jordan, G. T.	3 71	
Jordan, H. S.	2 00	
Lunt, Alton E.	2 00	
Morrill, Leroy M.	2 00	
Sawyer, Edith R.	17 33	
Skillin, Edwin A.	2 00	
Week, Samuel H.	2 55	
Woodman, W. C.	2 00	
Labby, Stephen	6 94	
Lewis, Charles W.	1 10	
Strayton, Charles	2 00	
Gowen, Nathaniel	28	
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Year 1907.

Baker, Leonard G.	\$ 2 00
Baker, Francis D.	2 00
Babbidge, Charles L.	2 29
Barber, John	2 00
Bruns, Jens N.	2 00
Blake, Oliver F.	2 29
Conroy, John	2 00
Cady, Walter	2 00
Denay, Jerry	2 00
Forbes, E. J.	2 00
Goudy, George H.	2 00
Harlow Carl,	2 00
Hamilton, E. H.	2 00

Knight, Ira O.	\$2 00
Libby, Charles A.	2 00
Littlejohn, Alfred H.	2 00
Mains, Joseph L.	2 00
Merrill, William L.	2 00
Mowatt, Sterling	2 00
Spear, James	2 00
Stynquest, Hermon	2 00
Stoddard, Frank	2 00
Ulrickson, Carl	2 00
Whitehouse, Fred O.	3 04
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Year 1908.

Anderson, Ole	\$ 2 52
Barber, John E.	2 00
Baker, Leonard G.	2 00
Baker, Francis D.	2 00
Blake, O. G.	2 81
Blake, Oliver F.	2 26
Bennett, L. J.	2 00
Chenery, George	2 00
Goudy, George H.	2 94
Glendening, Chipman	2 00
Hamilton, C. B.	2 00
Harlow, Carl	2 00
Lunt, G. Herbert	2 00
Low, E. J.	2 00
Marston, F. P.	10 37
Merrill, William L.	3 09
Mowatt, Sterling	2 00
McDougal, Nathaniel	2 00
Peters, Clinton R.	2 00
Soule, W. H.	2 00
Walls, Harry	2 00

Johanson, John	\$ 2 00
Johnson, J. J.	2 00
Knight, Amos O.	2 00
Knight, Ira O.	2 00
Kennedy, George	3 22
Latham, Seward	2 00
Lunt, G. Herbert	2 00
Libby, C. H.	2 00
Lawsen, H. M.	2 00
Lowe, E. J.	2 00
Meloon, H. T.	2 00
McDonald, John	2 00
Nickerson, W. A.	2 00
Nickerson, C. L.	2 00
Pelton, Herbert M.	2 00
Petersen, John	2 00
Rand, Hiram	92
Rice, Herbert	2 00
Soule, J. H.	2 00
Staples, George	92
Talmage, E. A.	3 22
Ulricksen, Peter	2 00
Wells, Charles P.	2 00
Wells, Frank E.	2 00
Whitehouse, F. O.	3 28
Whitehouse, Harry	2 00
Woodman, W. C.	2 00
White, Edward	2 00
Champlin, J.	41 48
Harlow, F. L.	11 59
Wentworth, A. S.	92
Cash in hand of collector,	6 07
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Whitehouse, Fred O.	\$2 94
Whitehouse, Harry	2 00
Woodman, W. C.	2 26
Wells, Frank	2 00
Haskell, Stephen	2 00
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	\$65 19

Year 1909.

Andersen, Ole	\$2 03
Andersen, N. C.	3 22
Allen, Albert	2 00
Baker, Leonard G.	2 00
Baker, Francis D.	2 00
Blake, O. G.	2 44
Blake, Andrew B.	2 00
Blake, O. F.	2 31
Bennett, L. J.	2 00
Bodkin, A. H.	2 61
Bodkin, A. H. Jr.	2 00
Beedy, William	2 92
Chenery, George	2 00
Carter, Elmer E.	2 00
Clark, Charles	2 00
Krag, Peter	2 00
Curtis, Walter T.	7 98
Conant, Arthur	4 56
Dyer, Randolph	2 00
Foss, Merton W.	2 00
Foss, Virgil P.	2 00
Hamilton, E.L.	2 00
Hamilton, C. B.	2 00
Harmon, Ralph C.	2 00
Haskell, Edwin W.	2 00
Harlow, Carl	2 00
Haskell, Stephen	2 00
Hansen, Maurice	2 61

Financial Condition of the Town.

ASSETS.

Due from J. F. Williams, Collector, 1906,	\$60 87
J. F. Williams, " 1907,	49 62
J. F. Williams, " 1908,	65 19
J. F. Williams, " 1909,	186 30
Tax Deeds,	13 62
State, dog licenses,	125 00
State, for State pauper,	18 00
City of Portland,	3 58
Cash on hand,	7,105 20
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	\$7,627 38

LIABILITIES.

Algernon Bowie,	\$108 00	
L. L. Ramsdell,	78 00	
N. S. Clifford,	117 00	
William E. Dow,	75 00	
J. F. Williams,	100 00	
Due to schools,	1,304 28	
Bills outstanding,	400 00	\$2,182 28
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Assets over liabilities,		\$5,445 10

SUMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RAISED.

Highways,		\$3,000 00
Out Poor and Insane,		800 00
Town Officers,		900 00
Bridges and Culverts,		400 00
Snow,		500 00
Contingencies,		200 00
High School Tuition,	by S. S. Committee,	300 00
Repairs of School Houses,	“ “	500 00
Printing Course of Study,	“ “	30 00
Text Books,	“ “	250 00
School Supplies,	“ “	100 00

ALGERNON BOWIE,	} <i>Selectmen, Assessors</i>
L. L. RAMSDELL,	
N. S. CLIFFORD,	
	<i>and Overseers of Poor</i>
	<i>of Falmouth.</i>

Falmouth, Feb. 19, 1910

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing record of orders and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and the amount paid for the same to be thirteen thousand, eight hundred twenty dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$13,820.28).

D. W LUNT, AUDITOR.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

WILLIAM E. DOW, Treas., in acct. with the TOWN OF
FALMOUTH.

RECEIPTS.

Balance as per last report,	\$ 4,948 68
From A. S. Noyes, Collector, 1905,	9 00
J. F. Williams, " 1906,	147 75
J. F. Williams, " 1907,	15 70
J. F. Williams, " 1908,	120 35
J. F. Williams, " 1909,	19,037 61
State Treas., school and mill fund,	2,001 71
State Treas., state roads,	437 62
State Treas., dog tax refunded,	118 53
State Treas., state pensions refunded,	120 00
State Treas., R. R. and Tel. tax,	182 50
State Treas., hen damage,	7 00
State Treas., burial soldier,	35 00
Casco Bank, note,	1,955 00
Casco Bank, interest on deposits,	65 62
Town Clerk, dog licenses,	151 00
Tax claims, 1906,	42 49
" " 1908,	69 31
Telephone tolls,	80
City of Portland, out poor,	115 09
I. H. Iversen, stone,	60
H. M. Moore, acct. State, 1907,	37 50
Rent of Town Farm,	120 00
Uriah Libby, cow,	10 00
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	\$29,748 86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Town orders,	\$13,820 28
State tax in full,	4,674 02
County tax in full,	1,877 36
State Treas., dog tax,	151 00
“ “ dog tax def. 1908,	1 00
State pensions,	120 00
Casco Bank, note,	2,000 00
Cash on hand,	7,105 20
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	\$29,748 86

WILLIAM E. DOW, TREAS.

Falmouth, Feb. 19, 1910.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above account of William E. Dow for the year 1909, and find it properly vouched and find in his hands seven thousand one hundred five dollars and twenty cents (\$7,105.20).

D. W. LUNT, AUDITOR.

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the School Committee and Citizens of Fal- mouth, Maine:

The following report on the condition of your schools and the progress of the work done in them during the past year is respectfully submitted.

Number of persons residing in town between the ages of five and twenty-one years on April 1st 1908, 454

Number of persons residing in town between the ages of five and twenty-one years on April 1st 1909, 491

Increase over last year, 37

Number of schools maintained during the year, 11

Number of different teachers employed, 5 males and 14 females.

Number employed at one time, 2 males and 10 females.

Average wages of male teachers, \$12.25, of female, \$8.40

Whole number of different pupils attending the town schools during the year, 251

Average number, 201

The preceeding statistics present some variations from those of last year and the changes have not all been for the better; for while the number of persons in town of school age is somewhat larger than it was last year, the total attendance at the schools has not materially increased and the average attendance has slightly fallen off.

The former condition may be explained by the fact that a somewhat larger class than usual was graduated last June and the latter by the prevailing conditions of the weather and roads during a part of the year. Besides, while there has been no epidemic of contagious disease in the schools, bad colds and their accompanying ills have been quite prevalent

among the pupils during the fall and winter terms and have interfered somewhat with the regularity in attendance.

But after making allowance for all these things the fact still remains that neither the total or average attendance at most of the schools has been what it ought to be. In nearly every school there are a few pupils who attend very irregularly, and in some sections of the town there are cases where pupils are kept from school by their parents during whole terms to assist in household or farm duties. Such cases, of courses are amenable to the truancy laws, but neither the truant nor other school officers have been willing to subject such parents to the expense entailed upon their prosecution for truancy, especially as these children seem to be much needed at home.

But before the school attendance in this or any other town can reach a satisfactory condition, parents must be brought to realize that in keeping children from school one or two days weekly they are not only injuring the school and the pupil but are breaking the laws of the State.

In some parts of the town children have been taken out of school regularly a half day each week during a part of the year for exercises in connection with their Church. This has been done without the permission of the teacher or superintendent or apparent care of the effect it might have upon the school. In reference to this, I will say that in other places, persons who have charge of church matters usually arrange them so as not to interfere with the work of the schools, and it would seem that it might be done in this town if the persons interested had a proper regard for the institutions which the public schools represent; but if they do not have such regard, they ought to be taught that a majority of our citizens do, and have enacted laws to protect the schools from just such encroachments.

It is quite useless to attempt to preserve the grading or carry out a prescribed course of study in schools where the attendance is irregular, and both parents and pupils feel that

duties outside the school room are more important than those within it. Irregularity in attendance is the bane of many rural schools and there are enough unavoidable causes to interfere with the attendance of the average pupil without the additional interruption resulting from unnecessary absences, and every effort should be made by both parents and teachers to remedy this evil wherever it exists.

TEACHERS.

Wherever it has seemed consistent with best interests of the school, teachers have been retained throughout the year, in most cases with gratifying results. Where it has seemed best to make changes it has been done. In several cases teachers have been lost by resignation which we would have been glad to keep, and in some cases those secured have proven unequal to the duties required of them; but through a sort of sifting process a corps of teachers are now in charge of your schools which it would be hard to improve upon for the money being paid them.

As has been said in a previous report, the teacher is the most important factor in connection with the school, and when a good one is secured every effort should be made to retain him. The futility of placing untrained and inexperienced teachers in charge of the education of children is becoming more and more evident and it will soon be as necessary for the teacher to hold a certificate of technical training for his profession as for a doctor or lawyer. Such a condition will result in advantage both to the teacher and to the school, for the teacher will receive better pay and the school will be assured of the services of a teacher who has come into contact with the best methods of instruction at first hand. I make this statement with the realization that some of our best teachers have not had this advantage; but their success has been achieved not because of this but in spite of it.

THE CURRICULUM.

It has been my object to prepare a course of study adapted to the needs of the schools of the town and a large part of this is now in manuscript form. Although this task would appear to be an easy one to one unacquainted with the conditions, I have found it exceedingly difficult to arrange an outline of work that would be adapted to the conditions in all the schools. This difficulty arises from the variation in the conditions in different parts of the town. In some of the schools where the attendance is quite uniform and regular the work can be carried on through a definite course without much difficulty, while in others where different and opposite conditions obtain, it would be impossible to do this and it would be necessary to omit a large part of the work arranged for the schools where better conditions exist. I have thought best under the circumstances to direct the work of each school with a view to bringing them gradually to common grounds, and in the meantime to work out a course of study that could be used by all.

The present arrangement of the work now being done in the schools corresponds nearly with the requirements for entrance to the High schools approved by the State Superintendent of schools; but an endeavor has been made to furnish such as do not take a high school course the best equipment possible under the circumstances for future usefulness as citizens and members of society. In order to do this special attention has been given to the study of United States History, Civil Government, Physiology and Hygiene and kindred subjects, in the higher grades.

The attention of teachers has been called to the efforts now being made by the State Board of Health to improve the Hygienic condition of the school children of the State and circulars furnished by that body for distribution among the pupils have been supplied them. Materials for the eye-sight and hearing tests are in the hands of the superintendent, but on account of their late arrival it was decided to defer this work until warmer weather.

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

There have been no introductions of text books during the year except in the line of supplementary reading, a supply of which was needed in the lower grade work, and a few copies of supplementary Arithmetical Problems for the school at No. 3. The introduction of the Hamilton Arithmetics begun last year has been completed and these books are now being used throughout the town with excellent results. The text books in all the schools are now in a very good condition and the pupils are well supplied with them.

Under the head of supplies the schools have been furnished with test paper, pens, ink and lead pencils. Two large dictionaries have been bought and placed where they seemed to be most needed, besides each of the schools having primary classes have been furnished sets of perception cards to accompany the readers in use, which have proven of great assistance to the teachers in carrying on the work in primary reading in accordance with the plan laid out in the text books.

The maps and globes spoken of in my report last year have not been purchased as there did not seem to be funds enough to warrant such outlay as would be required; but as there is some unexpended money under this head it is hoped that something can be done in this direction another year.

SCHOOL HOUSES AND REPAIRS.

The following repairs and improvements have been made by the Committee on school buildings during the year.

One side of the roof of No. 3 has been shingled; No. 2 has been painted on the outside; new closets were built at No. 1; and the roof and chimney at No. 5 were repaired; the closets at No. 6 were renovated and minor repairs on one or two other buildings were made. The cost of these repairs together with that of cleaning the buildings which is taken from this appropriation, has necessitated overdrawing this account to some extent, a condition which ought to be expected when the amount of school property to be kept in

repair is considered in connection with the size of the appropriation for this purpose. During the coming year the roof of the building on Pleasant Hill will need shingling and several houses will require painting outside, besides some other repairs of a less expensive nature will have to be made. For these reasons the School Committee has thought best to recommend a larger appropriation than last year for this purpose.

Before leaving this subject I want to repeat what was said in my report last year in regard to the out-houses connected with the schools. There should be none built with entrances from the outside, no matter what expense connecting them with the building involves; and those that are not so built should be fitted with strong locks and keys which should be placed in the hands and under the responsibility of the teacher at the opening of each term of school. There should also be built in every school house a locker strong enough to resist the ordinary onset of the "tough boy" or hobo who may chance to make the school house the scene of his depredation, as often occurs especially in the case of isolated buildings. Into this could be placed the broom, water pail and, during vacation, the clock and such other objects as might have a tendency to tempt any intruder bent on mischief or plunder.

IN GENERAL.

While the work of the past year has not in all cases been all that might have been hoped for, substantial progress has been made toward better conditions than have heretofore existed.

In one or two cases teachers have not been able to cope successfully with the conditions that existed, but the fault in these cases should not be wholly attributed to the teacher's incompetency. For while, as has already been stated, the teacher is the most important factor in making a first class school, there are other elements which contribute to the suc-

cess or failure of the teacher's efforts. The attitude of parents and pupils are also important factors in school work, and unless this is favorable the efforts of the most efficient teacher will not produce the best results. In the average community there are very few persons who do not feel an interest in the success of the schools of that community, but there are some who are too willing to criticise and seek for faults without exerting their influence to prevent their existence. The position of the teacher is often a very difficult one, and as long as he shows that he is making an honest effort to succeed he should have the active support of every well-intentioned person in the community. The spirit of the community generally pervades the school as that of the home does the individual pupil, and when these two elements combine for good it usually results in much advantage to the school and assistance to the teacher. I have been much pleased at the general attitude of the people of this town toward the schools and those connected with their management; but at times there has been a feeling that very little was being done on the part of some who ought to be deeply interested in school work toward assisting and supporting the teacher.

Next to the Church the schools are the most important institution in any community and their success should lie very close to the hearts of all. The teachers need all the support and assistance that can be given them.

Last June seventeen pupils graduated from the various schools of the town, all of whom are now taking courses in high schools or academies. While this is very satisfactory showing for one year the records of the different schools show that from year to year the number completing the course of study is altogether too small in comparison with the whole number attending school in town. This brings to attention the unpleasant fact that a large number of children who enter our schools do not complete the work of the nine grades.

There are undoubtedly several causes for this unsatisfactory condition of things, but it would appear that in many cases it must result from a lack of a just appreciation of the advantages of free education. As no continuous records have been kept in the past of the work and attendance of each pupil it is difficult to state what percentage of those who enter the town schools complete the work of study there; but it is intended hereafter by means of the loose leaf system, to keep such a record of each pupil from the time he enters school until he graduates or passes out as the case may be. In this way the number of those leaving school before the end of the course may be ascertained as well as the reasons for their doing so.

Owing to a somewhat crowded condition of the school at No. 7 and a large increase in the number of children living in the vicinity of No. 4 the committee decided to open that school near the middle of the fall term and this has been added to the list of small schools supported by the town.

If I were to make suggestions or recommendations here in regard to the general policy and arrangement of your schools, they would be along the same line as those made two years ago; but as these did not at that time meet with your approbation it would seem unnecessary to repeat them here. However, I am satisfied that the town will not derive the best returns from the money expended upon its schools until some system is adopted that will unite several of the smaller ones that are now being run separately at large expense with but small returns. That such a system will be adopted in time can hardly be doubted for the whole trend of rural education is in that direction, and the only question is how long the prejudices of a comparatively few against innovation of any kind will prevent its being done.

H. M. MOORE, Supt.

TABULAR REPORT.

No. of School.	TEACHERS.	No. of Weeks.	TOTAL ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE ATTEND.	WAGES PER WEEK.
SPRING TERM.					
1	SADIE A. SYLVESTER,	12	21	17	\$ 9 00
2	EDITH M. GREENWOOD,	11	30	27	9 00
3	{ HERBERT L. WASS,	11	47	38	12 00
5	{ ELLA M. MOUNTFORT,				6 50
6	S. ELLA PALMER,	11	30	26	10 00
7	OLIVE W. DOLLOFF,	11	17	15	9 00
8	W. G. LUNT,	11	35	30	12 00
9	INA M. HUSTON,	11	10	8	6 50
10	GRACE L. GRAHAM,	11	20	17	8 50
12	EMMA M. HASKELL,	11	17	14	9 00
	EVELYN YEATON,	11	12	9	8 50
FALL TERM.					
1	SADIE A. SYLVESTER,	13	19	16	9 00
2	EDITH M. GREENWOOD,	13	27	24	9 00
3	{ H. F. CROCKER,	13	40	35	12 50
4	{ ETHEL C. BAKER,				6 50
5	LIZZIE M. COPP,	7	12	9	7 50
6	S. ELLA PALMER,	13	25	17	10 00
7	OLIVE W. DOLLOFF,	13	20	19	9 00
8	HARRY E. RECORD,	13	36	33	12 50
9	ELLA M. MOUNTFORT,	13	11	9	7 00
10	GRACE L. GRAHAM,	13	16	13	8 50
12	GENEVIEVE NORTON,	13	16	15	9 00
	EVELYN YEATON,	13	11	9	8 50
WINTER TERM.					
1	SADIE A. SYLVESTER,	9	16	14	9 00
2	EDITH M. GREENWOOD,	9	26	22	9 00
3	{ H. F. CROCKER,	9	37	33	12 50
4	{ ETHEL C. BAKER,				6 50
5	EMELINE SIMONTON,	9	12	10	7 50
6	S. ELLA PALMER,	9	16	13	10 00
7	OLIVE DOLLOFF,	9	16	12	9 00
8	ELMER B. WILLIAMS,	9	32	27	12 50
9	ELLA M. MOUNTFORT,	9	11	8	7 00
10	GRACE L. GRAHAM,	9	16	12	8 50
12	GENEVIEVE NORTON,	9	15	13	9 00
	ISLA M. CHICK,	9	9	8	8 00

DEATHS.

From February 9, 1909 to February 1, 1910.

Feb.	6	Margaret I. Merrill, 35 yrs., 2 mos., 11 day.
	11	Eunice Lord, 71 yrs., 1 mo., 6 days.
	22	Mary P Doughty. 75 yrs., 3 mos., 15 days.
	27	Joseph Franklin Hamilton, 86 yrs.
Mar.	4	Beryl G. Lunt, 1 year, 1 mo., 25 days.
	14	Edward H. Marston, 65 yrs., 5 mos., 26 days.
Apr.	4	Lucy S. Merrill, 68 years.
	16	Annie E. Flynn, 51 yrs., 3 mos., 9 days.
	18	Ellen Huston, 70 years.
May	4	Ellen L. Winn, 77 yrs., 11 mos., 6 days.
June	13	Jane L. Huston, 91 yrs., 7 days.
	29	John W Whidden, 53 yrs., 4 mos., 25 days.
July	21	Donna Maria Webber, 75 yrs., 6 mos., 8 days.
Aug.	3	Grace A. Lord, 18 yrs., 5 mos., 13 days.
	4	Lucinda Knight, 68 years.
	29	Carl Clifton Tocher, 9 yrs., 6 mos., 22 days.
Sept.	8	Roderick A. McLean, 72 ys s.
	11	George Edward Lunt, 22 days.
	24	Charles G. Libby, 51 years,
Oct.	16	Hannah T. Hussey, 80 years.
	29	Mary L. Littlejohn, 57 yrs., 1 mo., 22 days.
Nov.	8	Samuel Merrill, 76 yrs., 10 days.
	17	George M. Staples, 73 yrs., 11 mos., 22 days.
	22	Josiah Noyes, 72 years.

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Jan.	18	Grace G. Chase, 29 years, 8 mos., 18 days.
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ARTHUR S. NOYES, TOWN CLERK.