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REPORT OF THE
Selectmen, Treasurer and
Supervisor of Schools
OF THE
TOWN OF ORRINGTON
FOR THE YEAR
1913-1914

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Warrant

To Charles A. Wood, a Constable in the Town of Orrington, in the County of Penobscot,

Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Orrington qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on Monday, the ninth day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on 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 act on the report of the selectmen.

Fourth—To act on the report of the superintendent of schools.

Fifth—To act on the report of the board of health.

Sixth—To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Seventh—To grant and raise money for the support of schools, the poor, the repair of roads and bridges, the repair of school houses, and to defray all other town charges.

Eighth—To fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

Ninth—To see if the town will vote to have one or more road commissioners, and fix their compensation.

Tenth—To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for memorial purposes.

Eleventh—To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in section 20 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Twelfth—To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$533.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State highway commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges; the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of section 19 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Thirteenth—To see if the town will instruct its road commissioner to expend \$200 of the road money in carting gravel on the Dow road.

Fourteenth—To see if the town will instruct its road commissioner to expend \$200. of the road fund in carting gravel on the road leading from East Orrington to So. Brewer, the gravel to be given by Chas. A. Wood.

Fifteenth—“By petition” of Ernest W. Smith and six others. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to repair the Fields Pond road, beginning at the Holden line and extending to the land of Geo. Carter.

Sixteenth—“By petition” of A. W. King and ten others. To see if the town will vote to cut down hill or hills near residence of late Harvey Smith and raise money for same.

Seventeenth—To see what action the town will take to settle the claim of Isaac Whitney for injuries received through defect in highway or railing of bridge and raise money for the same.

Eighteenth—To see if the town will instruct its treasurer to loan the credit of the town to defray town charges not to exceed \$1,000. if necessary.

Nineteenth—To see if the town will vote to discharge the mortgage on the Elisha H. Freeman place and raise money for the same.

Twentieth—To see if the town will vote to continue the electric light at Orrington Corner and provide money for the same.

Twenty-first—To see if the town will accept \$50.00 the interest to be used for the perpetual care of the Richard Baker cemetery lot at Orrington Center.

Twenty-second—To see if the town will instruct the selectmen regarding the letting and care of the Town Hall.

The Selectmen will be in session for the purpose of revising the list of voters at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Orrington this twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1914.

P. A. FOWLER, } Selectmen of
 F. E. KING, } Orrington.

AMOUNT RAISED BY TOWN MARCH 10, 1913

\$110.18	To cash in treasury	\$110.18
	Total	\$110.18
	For support of schools	\$1100.00
	school books	200.00
	repairs of school property	200.00
	tuition	300.00
	support of poor	200.00
	repair of roads and bridges	200.00
	pay of town officers	650.00
	miscellaneous expenses	250.00
	paying gravel bank of G. L. Greene	225.00
	earthen gravel on bog	100.00
	State road	200.00
\$6125.00		\$6125.00
	For State tax for 1913	\$2371.47
	County tax for 1913	410.01
	overly in assessments	136.41
	supplemental tax	148.89
\$2916.48		\$2916.48

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Albert G. Dole,

In account with the Town of Orrington

Dr.

Feb. 18th, 1913.

To cash in treasury..... \$1,611 46

AMOUNT RAISED BY TOWN MARCH 10, 1913

For support of schools.....	\$1,100 00	
school books.....	200 00	
repairs of school property.....	200 00	
tuition.....	300 00	
support of poor.....	200 00	
repair of roads and bridges.....	2,500 00	
pay of town officers.....	650 00	
miscellaneous expenses.....	350 00	
buying gravel bank of G. L. Greene....	225 00	
carting gravel on bog.....	100 00	
State road.....	300 00	
		————— \$6,125 00
For State tax for 1913.....	\$2,271 47	
County tax for 1913.....	440 01	
overlay in assessments.....	156 41	
supplemental tax.....	48 60	
		————— \$2,916 49

Received from Samuel G. Nyer's heirs	\$	8 59	
“ “ F. A. Dillingham, tax collected		3 00	
“ “ use of town hall		6 00	
“ “ State pensions paid		138 00	
“ “ Palmer Parker		3 50	
“ “ E. L. Oldham, for wheels		1 00	
“ “ town of Pittsfield, for care and transportation of Roland Tupper		12 70	
“ “ Josiah Quimby, for gravel sold		1 00	
“ “ State for domestic animals		12 00	
“ “ W. O. Smith, for dynamite sold		6 00	
“ “ State for free high schools		500 00	
“ “ “ “ school and mill fund		1,062 19	
“ “ “ “ common school fund		819 10	
“ “ “ “ R. R. Telegraph tax		17 50	
“ “ “ “ State road fund		325 81	
“ “ “ “ automobile fund		487 72	
“ “ “ “ dog licenses refunded		57 23	
“ “ interest on money deposited		9 42	
“ “ State for pensions paid		675 00	
“ for hay sold from E. H. Freeman place		25 00	
			<u>4,170 76</u>
			<u>\$14,823 71</u>

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Feb. 19th, 1914.

By 393 town orders paid	\$13,724 74	
uncollected taxes	10 17	
cash in treasury	1,088 80	
		<u>\$14,823 71</u>

VALUATION FOR 1913

Real estate of residents taxed.....	\$294,435 00	
Personal estate of residents taxed.....	78,000 00	
		\$372,435 00

Real estate of non-residents taxed	\$69,780 00	
Personal estate of non-residents taxed.....	2,890 00	
		72,670 00

Total estates taxed.....	\$445,105 00
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Number of polls 327. Poll tax \$3.00. Percentage \$1.80 on \$100.00.

ASSETS OF THE TOWN

Uncollected taxes.....	\$ 10 17	
Cash in the treasury.....	1,088 80	
		\$1,098 97

P. A. FOWLER,	} Selectmen of Orrington.
F. E. KING,	

A. G. DOLE, Treasurer.

PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town.....	\$650 00
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Mr. Edward E. Roderick, supt of schools for 1913.....	\$200 00
P. A. Fowler, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor.....	156 85
F. E. King, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor.....	77 50

W. R. Clark, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	34 00	
F. A. Dillingham, collector	150 00	
A. G. Dole, treasurer	75 00	
C. Wm. George, S. S. Committee	12 00	
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		705 35
Overdrawn		<hr/>
		\$55 35

SUPPORT OF POOR

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town \$200 00

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E. W. Myers, balance for care of K. Stubbs to May 6th, 1913	\$ 25 00	
E. W. Myers, for care of K. Stubbs in part for 1913-14	56 25	
Vickery, Smith Co., clothing for K. Stubbs	28 10	
Geo. H. Hurd, for care of Mrs. Helen Freeman	280 00	
Mrs. F. C. McIntire, care of Mrs. Helen Free- man	11 50	
F. C. McIntire, care of Mrs. Helen Freeman	8 53	
Grace Reed, for work for Mrs. Helen Freeman	5 00	
Perkins & Mitchell, supplies for Mrs. Helen Freeman	1 18	
W. R. Clark, supplies for Mrs. Helen Freeman	30	
Mrs. Elizabeth Douglass, board and care of John Bowden	48 00	
G. B. Tibbetts, medical attendance to Mrs. Helen Freeman	71 75	
G. B. Tibbetts, medical attendance to Ernest Dort	2 50	
G. B. Tibbetts, medical attendance K. Stubbs	50	
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		538 61
Overdrawn		<hr/>
		\$338 61

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town..... \$2,500 00

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Under E. L. Bowden, Commssioner for 1912:

Paid Fred T. Bowden.....	\$ 3 77	
E. L. Bowden, and others.....	60 64	
F. E. King, and others.....	23 72	
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		\$88 13

Under W. O. Smith, Commissioner for 1913:

Paid T. N. Bowles, for labor with team.....	\$ 34 13
Frank Langley ".....	99 76
C. M. Conant, repairs for road machine.....	8 50
John Rines, for labor.....	8 75
Henry Chick, ".....	27 13
Webster Hodgdon, ".....	14 00
J. D. Hodgdon, ".....	12 25
Arnold Chick, ".....	7 88
Howard Hinds, ".....	10 50
F. C. McIntire, ".....	4 50
Herbert Smith, for gravel.....	5 00
E. C. Baldwin, for gravel.....	7 50
W. O. Smith, for others snow bills for 1912-13.....	42 03
W. O. Smith, for labor with team.....	218 00
W. O. Smith, for others.....	18 38
Galen Kent for labor with team and lumber for bridges.....	235 54
Frank Higgins, for labor with team..	67 50
Chas. Seavey, " ".....	88 00
Lyman Smith, " ".....	26 00
Chas. George, " ".....	35 33

Paid Herbert Rogers, for labor with team	22 50
Geo. Carter, " "	30 00
E. C. Baldwin, " "	74 25
W. W. Blanchard, " "	17 75
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	\$1,115 18

Under Palmer Parker, Commissioner for 1913:

Paid Palmer Parker, for services as Com. . . .	\$271 78
Walter Parker, for labor with team . . .	92 44
Chester Parker, "	16 05
Wm. S. Whitney, " with team . . .	131 40
Wm. Stacy, " "	20 00
John Downing, " "	66 00
Harry Atwood, " "	61 15
Raymond Perkins " "	24 56
Geo. Hewey, " "	33 94
Louise Harriman, " "	34 65
F. E. King, " "	15 59
Norris Richardson, " "	18 75
Fred Atwood, " "	21 70
Frank Bowden, " "	9 37
Jos. Clark, " "	28 56
Fred Bowden, " "	4 00
Merton Betts, " "	38 45
Gordon Betts, " "	41 81
Gertrude Blair, for gravel	15 60
John Hodgdon, for labor	20 66
Geo. Hodgdon, "	49 48
F. C. McIntire, "	3 50
Chester Baker, "	7 50
Geo. Prouty, "	5 25
Geo. Hurd, "	42 99
Wm. Woodman, "	2 32
Wm. Coffin, "	3 50
F. R. Clark, lumber for bridge railings	4 97
Perkins Mitchell, for nails	1 24
Wm. T. Hewey, for blacksmith work . .	1 35

Paid Galen Kent, lumber for bridges and railings	18 00	
Walter Fickett, for labor	15 04	
Geo. L. Byard, "	6 12	
James Betts, "	3 70	
Marcellus Hoben, "	28 85	
S. J. Bowden, "	19 87	
James Wentworth, "	80	
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		1,180 94
Total		<hr/>
		\$2,384 25
Unexpended		
		115 75

STATE ROAD

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town	\$300 00	
Received from the State	325 81	
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		\$625 81

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Paid Chas. Seavey, for labor with team ..	\$	98 89
Frank Higgins, " " ..		45 33
Hersey Smith, " " ..		18 00
A. G. Dole, " " ..		63 55
Frank Wiswell, " " ..		49 33
Wm. Whitney, " " ..		35 11
E. C. Baldwin, " " ..		18 00
Palmer Parker, " " ..		17 33
Galen Kent, " " ..		98 89
W. O. Smith, foreman		92 00
Preston Wood, stone mason		47 11
Henry Chick, for labor		22 55
Arnold Chick, "		20 61
J. D. Hodgdon, "		53 57

Paid G. G. Hodgdon, for labor	51 24	
Webster Hodgdon, "	20 61	
Pearl Gray, "	64 18	
Frank Langley, "	19 93	
Floyd Gray, "	28 58	
N. S. Hillier, "	23 53	
Perry York, "	7 88	
Chester Parker, "	1 75	
Herbert Smith, for gravel	20 60	
Thomas Simpson, for posts	3 15	
David Godfrey, for rocks and rods	2 70	
James Wiswell, for culvert rocks	3 75	
Sargent Lumber Co., for lumber for rail- ings	27 01	
C. A. Bennett, for sand	7 50	
C. O. Farrington, cement, lime, etc	40 54	
R. E. Mullaney, surveyor	13 50	
Rice & Miller, for dynamite	6 00	
	<hr/>	1,022 72
Overdrawn		\$396 91

STATE AUTOMOBILE FUND

Received from State		\$487 72
Paid R. E. Mullaney, surveyor	\$ 11 50	
W. O. Smith and others for labor and material	476 22	
	<hr/>	\$487 72

SIDE WALK AT ORRINGTON CORNER

Dr.

Amount appropriated by vote of town	\$100 00
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Paid Wm. Stacy,	labor with team.....	\$ 14 00	
John Downing,	"	5 63	
Harry Atwood,	"	7 50	
Frank Bowden,	"	7 50	
Wm. Whitney,	"	13 00	
Walter Parker,	"	13 13	
Palmer Parker, foreman.....		7 50	
J. D. Hodgdon, labor.....		7 00	
Geo. G. Hodgdon, labor.....		7 00	
J. E. Nickerson,	"	3 50	
B. C. Miller,	"	3 50	
R. S. Dodge, for gravel.....		10 00	
			99 26
Balance.....			\$ 74

ELECTRIC LIGHT AT ORRINGTON CORNER

Dr.

Appropriated by vote of town..... \$40 00

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Paid Bangor R. R. & Electric Co.....	28 30
Balance.....	\$11 70

GRAVEL ON THE CLUB HOUSE ROAD

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town..... \$100 00

Cr.

Paid Galen Kent,	for labor with team	\$22 00	
Chas. Seavey,	" "	14 33	
Chas. George,	" "	16 00	
Geo. Carter,	" "	18 00	
Webster Hodgdon,	" "	5 25	
Henry Chick,	" "	5 25	
N. T. Bowles,	" "	9 63	
E. C. Baldwin, for gravel		8 60	
			99 06
Balance			\$ 94

GRAVEL BANK BOUGHT OF GEO. L. GREENE

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town \$225 00

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Paid Geo. L. Greene for same \$225 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Dr.

Amount raised by vote of town \$350 00

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Paid Chas. A. Wood, for serving dog warrant posting warrant for Mar. meeting and serving warrant on W. H. Curtis	\$ 12 08
Chas. A. Wood, for conveying Roland Tupper to Pittsfield	10 70

Paid T. W. Robinson, for care of Roland Tupper	2 00
Thos. W. Burr Printing Co., for printing town reports for 1912-13	30 00
Thos. W. Burr Printing Co., for printing brown tail moth notices	6 30
C. H. Emery, for repairing sidewalk . . .	3 00
C. P. & C. M. Thomas, for reporting births for 1910-11-12	2 75
Bangor Commercial, for printing resolutions on death of E. R. Chapman and Mrs. Blake	1 00
L. C. Tyler & Sons Co., for insurance on town buildings for 1913	28 76
E. E. Roderick, for postage, express, etc.	13 10
E. F. Dillingham, for supplies for the town	11 40
Chester Parker, for cutting cherry trees	2 90
Gordon Betts, for cutting cherry trees	14 00
Walter Parker, for cutting cherry trees	4 38
F. C. McIntire, for cutting cherry trees	9 15
W. W. Blanchard, for cutting grass in Oak Hill Cemetery and resetting stones	12 00
Wm. T. Hewey, for cutting grass in So. Orrington Cemetery and bier to use in tomb	14 00
J. D. Hodgdon, for election clerk for 1913	2 00
L. B. Blake, for ballot clerk for 1913	2 00
H. M. Rogers, for election clerk for 1913	2 00
Fred Cunningham, for blacksmith work	5 70
F. A. Dillingham, for painting road machine	3 22
F. A. Dillingham, for postage and printing	10 00
F. A. Dillingham, for abatements for 1913-14	47 46
F. A. Dillingham, tax deeds	44 13

Paid Rice & Miller, for dynamite	6 00	
Florence Severance, for use watering tub 1913-14	5 00	
Geo. B. Tibbetts, for sec. of board of health 3 years and reporting births and deaths, 3 years	62 75	
F. E. Baker, for services at 2 elections and recording births, deaths and marriages	15 95	
E. M. Crowell, for care of town hall	6 00	
Harry Simpson, for destroying brown tail moth nests	14 40	
Fowler & King, for destroying brown tail moth nests	4 00	
A. G. Dole, for interest paid stamps and stationery and services as moderator for 1913	31 60	
P. A. Fowler, for stamps, stationery, etc.	21 00	
T. M. Simpson, for cutting grass in Marston Cemetery	5 00	
	<hr/>	465 73
Overdrawn		<hr/> \$115 73

STATE AND COUNTY TAX

State tax	\$2,271 47	
County tax	440 01	
	<hr/>	\$2,711 48
Amount paid for State pensions		675 00
Appropriated by town for memorial purposes		25 00
Paid A. P. Smith, for markers for soldiers' graves		25 00

SCHOOL FUND FOR 1913

Overdrawn in 1912.....	\$	37	89
Raised by the town March 10th, 1913.....	\$	1,100	00
State school fund and mill tax.....		1,062	19
Common school fund.....		819	10
Interest on town school fund.....		69	42
			<u>\$3,012 82</u>
Expended for teachers' wages.....	\$2,750	15	
janitors.....		96	10
transportation.....		143	50
fuel.....		173	41
			<u>3,163 16</u>
Overdrawn.....			<u>\$150 34</u>

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Balance due from last year.....	\$	5	91
Raised by the town March 10th, 1913.....		200	00
			<u>\$205 91</u>
Expended.....			<u>170 77</u>
Balance due the schools.....			<u>\$35 14</u>

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Balance due from last year.....	\$	79	75
Raised by the town March 10th, 1913.....		200	00
			<u>\$279 75</u>
Expended.....			<u>209 67</u>
Balance due the schools.....			<u>\$70 08</u>

TUITION PAID FOR THE BETTER EDUCATION OF YOUTH

Paid E. M. C. Seminary	\$269 00	
Brewer High School	342 16	
Bangor High School	50 00	
M. C. Institute	40 00	
Hampden Academy	12 50	
		\$713 66

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENSES

Pay of town officers	\$ 705 35	
Support of poor	538 61	
Roads and bridges	2,384 25	
State road	1,022 72	
Automobile fund	487 72	
Sidewalk at Orrington Corner	99 26	
Gravel on the Club House road	99 06	
Gravel bank bought	225 00	
Memorial purposes	25 00	
State tax	2,271 47	
County tax	440 01	
State pensions paid	675 00	
Miscellaneous expenses	465 73	
Schools	3,163 16	
Books and supplies	170 77	
Repairs on school property	209 67	
Tuition	713 66	
Electric light	28 30	
		\$13,724 74

TRUST FUND FOR CARE OF CEMETERY LOTS

Newcomb fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$108 04	
Paid for expense and care of lot	2 25	
		\$105 79
Adeline B. Ware fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$108 03	
Paid for expense and care of lot	2 25	
		\$105 78

Stevens fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$119 90	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$118 65
E. W. Burns fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$118 17	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$116 92
Emma M. Davenport fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$52 17	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$50 92
Sarah A. Thayer fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$108 66	
Paid for expense and care of lot	5 24	
	<hr/>	\$103 42
Clara A. Bowden fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$55 68	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$54 43
Albert P. Smith fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$54 78	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$53 53
A. B. Rogers fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$51 75	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$50 00
Angella M. North fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$103 94	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$102 69
S. L. Rogers fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$101 75	
Paid for expense and care of lot	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$100 00
Chas. M. Rogers fund Oct. 7th, 1913	\$50 87	
Paid for expense and care of lot	87	
	<hr/>	\$50 00

P. A. FOWLER, } Selectmen of
 F. E. KING, } Orrington.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens of Orrington:

We have the honor of submitting, herewith, our annual report as Sup'ting School Committee and Supt. of Schools.

Our schools have been in session thirty-weeks, and while excellent work has been done, we want to impress upon you the necessity of a longer school-year.

We expect our pupils who go up to higher institutions of learning to "make good", and they in turn have a right to expect a better foundation upon which to work. They should be given at least thirty-four to thirty-six weeks.

We have been fortunate to secure the services of good teachers for the year. We have also been fortunate to retain a few of last year's teachers, the quality of the work done, proves the fact, that it is advisable to retain good teachers as long as possible.

It is impossible to obtain teachers that will prove satisfactory in every case, and teachers that will please everyone.

I believe that the parents are few in number who have taken the opportunity to visit the schools and found fault with the work that was being done. Do not take the reports "second-handed", visit the schools and acquaint yourself with the conditions of things and then if you can offer any suggestions that would be for the betterment of the schools, they will be gladly received. We are all working to the best of our abilities to see that every child is getting every possible advantage that the town can afford.

You cannot imagine what a few words of encouragement will do, especially when one is doing all that he or she can do. I believe

there is too great a tendency to overlook the teachers good qualities, and the good things she tries to do, but their mistakes are never overlooked by some. Please remember that we owe to every teacher all the assistance and encouragement we can possibly give, for they are giving the best of their lives to this most important work.

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION

A course was placed in the schools during the year. We have also endeavored to place one in every home where there were children in school. The plan was to have every parent familiar with the requirements of each grade, that they might co-operate with the teachers to keep their children up to the standard.

It is also hoped that those parents who have been a little careless in keeping thier children out of school; may see the absolute necessity of keeping them in school, that they may not get behind their grades.

The schools are gradually adapting themselves to the course and it will not be long before all the schools will be thoroughly graded. It will be necessary to make changes from time to time; for the course is only a general one; made to serve the present condition of our schools.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS

Teachers' meetings were held during the winter term. The objects were both social and educational. Discussions of educational problems which were intended to strengthen the younger teachers and in fact the whole educational system.

SCHOOL, HOME AND AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION

The exhibition was held in the town of Holden, and all the schools had the opportunity to be represented. A splendid exhibit was shown covering the work that can be done in the school and the home, which proved the fact, that if our young people are given an opportunity to demonstrate what they can do, and compare results, the quality of work can be improved. It also creates an interest and makes each individual school feel its own responsibility.

AGRICULTURE

An elementary course in agriculture went into effect at the beginning of the winter term and it is a very happy surprise to see how much interest is taken in the course. Since the course is given only in the ninth grade, they are all old enough to grasp it very readily and appreciate its value.

WORK OF THE LEAGUES

Many of the schools have taken advantage of the School League to raise money and with this money they have done a great deal to beautify their school-rooms and grounds. The value of this work is two-fold; in the first place it tends to make the children's surroundings more pleasant and it teaches them to be industrious, and how to best adapt themselves to their surroundings.

MUSIC

We would like at this time to impress upon you the necessity of introducing music in our schools. We think you will all agree with us when we say that music is as essential as any other branch of school activities.

What singing may accomplish for an individual is in every way as important as that which can be accomplished by history, arithmetic, or language.

"Singing is very closely related to health, to choices, to intellectual activity; consequently it is vital to the character. A man's success in industrial, commercial, or professional life depends largely upon his courage, peace of mind, freshness, hopefulness, and elasticity. Singing is helpful in all these things. To make a man is more important than to make a mechanic; to make a good man is more important than to make a great man; to make a joyful man is more important than to make a brilliant man."

Singing in our schools can be made to accomplish all this and far more. It can be introduced at a very low cost. I believe \$150 would cover all necessary expenses for the coming year. I cannot see where we can make a greater improvement for so little expended.

TEXT BOOKS

On the whole I believe that the pupils are learning to take care of their books. We have been trying to impress upon the children the necessity of taking better care of them. There are some who are still careless and indifferent but we hope for improvement.

Some of the old texts must be discarded and a new text introduced. The spellers are in very bad shape and should be replaced by a more up-to-date text. There are not enough copies to go around and it would not pay to purchase new ones of the same text and in a short time have to introduce something new.

Our geographies are also in very bad condition and should be replaced.

The same appropriation as last year \$200 will be needed.

NEEDED REPAIRS

Some of the necessary larger repairs for the coming year will be as follows:—

The Center school will have to be shingled this year, for when we have a rain storm, it runs down through into the schoolroom. We have had it patched during the year but it is reported to be in such a poor condition that patching is useless and money lost. This school house should be painted inside.

We have two of our schools which should be painted outside, the coming year. The South Orrington school if allowed to go much longer will have to be partly clapboarded before it can be painted which will greatly add to the cost.

I wish we could have money enough to make a beginning on a heating and ventilating system for our schools. If we could jacket two stoves it would be only a matter of four or five years before we would have proper heating and ventilating systems in our schools. I believe the Kelsey system of heating and ventilating is the best, as it tends to give an even temperature, and a sufficient supply of fresh air all the time.

It lessens the danger of colds and other diseases caused by draughts, overheated rooms, and an insufficient supply of fresh air. We cannot very well compare the health of children to a little extra expense, especially when it is for the benefit of the children of our town.

There are a number of small repairs that will have to be made this coming year. Among those we want to mention the fact that several of our out houses are in very poor condition. Nothing that we can say here in that respect can so well express what should be said than the saying of Dr. N. C. Schaffer, State Supt., Penn.

"A poorly-built, badly-kept outhouse is the most demoralizing agency connected with our pupils schools. Perhaps nowhere in the physical environment of the school is there greater need for reform. The law apparently covers the necessary requirements for decent conditions, but the public opinion needs to be aroused to an appreciation of how baneful are the influences that emanate from these ill-conditioned, illkept, iniquitous buildings."—

The repairs that were made during the past year you will find in another part of this report. We would like to mention here the shed that was built at Dist. No. 10. When the building was recommended to the committee it was expected that we would have enough scholars there to have a school, with at least ten pupils but later in the year it developed to be a school of only five pupils, because of the fact, that three of the children went away and the other two dropped out because they were beyond the compulsory age.

The building is a good one and it may not be long before it be in use again.

If you feel as we do, the importance of the changes we have enumerated and would like to see them carried out, it will call for an appropriation of \$400.

In conclusion we want to take the opportunity to express our sincere appreciation of the hearty support that has been given to us during the past year by the citizens, and teachers. No one fully realizes the immense amount of work that a superintendent and

Committee has to do, and the many difficult problems with which they have to contend, except those who have been in the work.

Doubtless mistakes have been made during the year, but we can truthfully say that we have done our best, sparing neither time, nor expense on our part to look after the best interest of the schools. In our business relations with everyone, we have tried to do just what was right, no one can do more.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. RODERICK,
Superintendent of Schools.

H. C. HOXIE,	} S. S. Committee
C. WM. GEORGE,	
A. G. DOLE,	

Orrington, Maine, Feb. 20, 1914.

TABLE I, SCHOOLS

1. Total number of public schools	10
2. Total number of weeks of all schools	307
3. No. of schools with less than 8 scholars	1
4. Schools with less than 15 pupils for the year	4
5. Schools with more than 15 pupils for the year	6

TABLE II, SCHOOL HOUSES

1. School houses in town	11
2. School houses unused	1
3. School houses repaired past year all, more or less	
4. School houses furnished with dictionaries all except 2	
5. School houses with libraries	9
6. School houses provided with flags	9

TABLE III

1. No. of pupils registered in common schools	182
2. No. of boys registered in common schools	89
3. No. of girls registered in common schools	93

TABLE IV

1. No. of different men teachers during past year	1
2. No. of different women teachers during past year	18
3. No. of teachers that have attended Normal School	8
4. No. of teachers high school graduates	18
5. No. of teachers retained in same school for the year	1
6. No. of teachers retained in town for the year	3

TABLE V, MISCELLANEOUS

1. No. of visits made by the superintendent	147
2. No. of visits made by school committee	6
3. Has a school exhibit been held?	Yes, one

TABLE I. SCHOOLS
 SPRING TERM

Name of School	Name of Teacher	Weeks	Att.	Av.	Wages	Cost
King School	Mary A. Houston	10	12	11	\$ 9 00	\$ 90 00
Pond School	Nellie Colby	10	8	6.7	8 00	80 00
Thayer Dist.	Francis Mitchell	10	10	9	8 50	83 45
	Florence Weymouth				9 00	
So. Orrington	Marion Coombs	9 ³ / ₅	27	25	10 50	100 80
Nickerson	Edna McGraw	10	21	16	10 50	105 00
Pierce's Crossing	Ruth Hubbard	10	21	14	10 00	100 00
Snow's Cor.	Lizzie A. Jones	10	35	30	11 00	110 00
East Orrington	Inez Sanford	10	25	21	11 00	110 00
Orrington Ctr.	Edna Pickard	2	16	14.2	9 50	19 00
	Stella Simpson	7 ² / ₅			9 50	70 30
Goodale's Cor.	Florence Rogers	10	6	5	6 00	60 00
Orrington Cor. conveyed	Loomis Smith	10			3 00	30 00

FALL TERM

King School	Bertha Leathers	11	13	10	\$ 9 00	\$ 99 00
Pond School	Blanche Powers	11	8	7	8 00	88 00
Thayer Dist.	Gladys Lowell	11	9	7	9 00	99 00
So. Orrington	Edna McGraw	11	29	26	10 50	115 50
Nickerson	Mary A. Houston	11	20	17	10 00	110 00
Pierce's Crossing	Stanley Ripley	11	27	21	10 00	110 00
Snow's Cor.	Lizzie A. Jones	11	39	29	11 00	121 00
East Orrington	Eva J. Jones	6	21	16	11 00	66 00
Orrington Ctr.	Alma Clark	11	16	14	9 00	99 00
Goodale's Cor.	Florence Rogers	11	6	5	6 00	66 00
Orrington Cor. conveyed	Loomis Smith	11			3 50	38 50

WINTER TERM

Name of School	Name of Teacher	Weeks	Att.	Av.	Wages	Cost
King School	{ William D. Bates	8 $\frac{2}{5}$	12	11	\$ 9 00	\$ 75 60
	{ Stanley Ripley					
Pond School	Blanche Powers	9	13	11	8 00	72 00
So. Orrington	Edna McGraw	9	27	25	10 50	94 50
Nickerson	Bertha Leathers	9	12	10	8 00	72 00
Pierce's Crossing	Mary A. Houston	9	27	22	10 00	90 00
Snow's Cor.	Lizzie A. Jones	9	29	23	11 00	99 00
East Orrington	Eva J. Jones	12	17	15	11 00	132 00
Orrington Ctr.	Alma Clark	9	15	11	9 00	81 00
Goodale's Cor.	Alice Blaisdell	8	6	5	7 50	60 00
Orrington Cor.	Beulah Hardison	9	11	7	8 00	72 00
Thayer Dist. conveyed	A. N. Hurd	9			5 00	45 00

PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND

Appropriated March, 1913.....	\$1,100 00
Mill tax.....	1,062 19
Common school fund.....	819 10
Interest on town school fund.....	69 42
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	\$3,050 71
Overdraft last year.....	37 89
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	\$3,012 82

Expenditures

For teachers' salaries.....	\$2,750 15
Janitor service.....	96 10
Transportation.....	143 50
Fuel.....	173 41
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	3,163 16
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Overdraft.....	\$150 34

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Balance from last year	\$ 5 91	
Appropriated March, 1913	200 00	
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Expended		\$205 91
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Balance		\$35 14

REPAIRS

Balance from last year	\$ 79 75	
Appropriated March, 1913	200 00	
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Expended		\$279 75
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Balance		\$69 98

ITEMIZED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

REPAIRS

Stella Simpson, cleaning So. Orrington school	\$ 5 00
Mrs. J. Betts, cleaning Dist. No. 10 school	2 50
Mrs. G. G. Hodgdon, cleaning Nickerson school	2 50
Harry Atwood, cleaning, moving stove	1 00
Morrill Smith, removing storm-doors	50
Geo. and Rex. Glifford, removing banking	25
W. R. Clark, lumber for shed in Dist. No. 10	30 73
J. O. Gould, cleaning S. Orrington school yard	1 00
Fred Hoxie, labor on shed in Dist. No. 10	24 20
Geo. K. Stubbs, shingles for Dist. No. 10	4 50
Stella Simpson, cleaning Pond school	2 50
W. E. Bowden, lumber for shed in Dist. No. 10	7 75
W. W. Blanchard, papering, plastering and cleaning	36 03
A. N. Hurd, repairing at No. 10	2 75
H. C. Hoxie, hauling lumber	1 75
J. O. Gould, cleaning and disinfecting school closet	9 00

F. G. Gray, repairs	75
Merton Betts, boughing Pond school	2 00
F. E. Hoxie, repairs on Ctr. and S. Orrington school	3 75
J. E. Nickerson, repairing funnel at Nickerson	15
Ed. Witham, hauling lumber to Dist. No. 10	2 00
J. W. Betts, banking Ctr. school	2 00
Penobscot Lumber Co., flooring for Snow's Cor.	35 85
F. E. Hoxie, labor on floor at Snow's Cor.	18 25
F. J. Bowden, boughing and removing same (King)	2 50
Loomis Smith, boughing Orrington Cor. school	1 50
R. S. Dodge, boughing and setting stove at Nickerson	2 50
Baker's Express	1 06
E. E. Roderick, lock and key, funnel and elbow No. 10	1 00
Fred J. Bowden, banking and removing same	2 40
W. E. Woodman, banking Goodale's Cor.	2 00
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	\$209 77

BETTER EDUCATION OF YOUTH

East Maine Conference Seminary	\$269 00
Hampden Academy	12 50
Maine Central Institute	40 00
Brewer High School	342 16
Bangor High School	50 00
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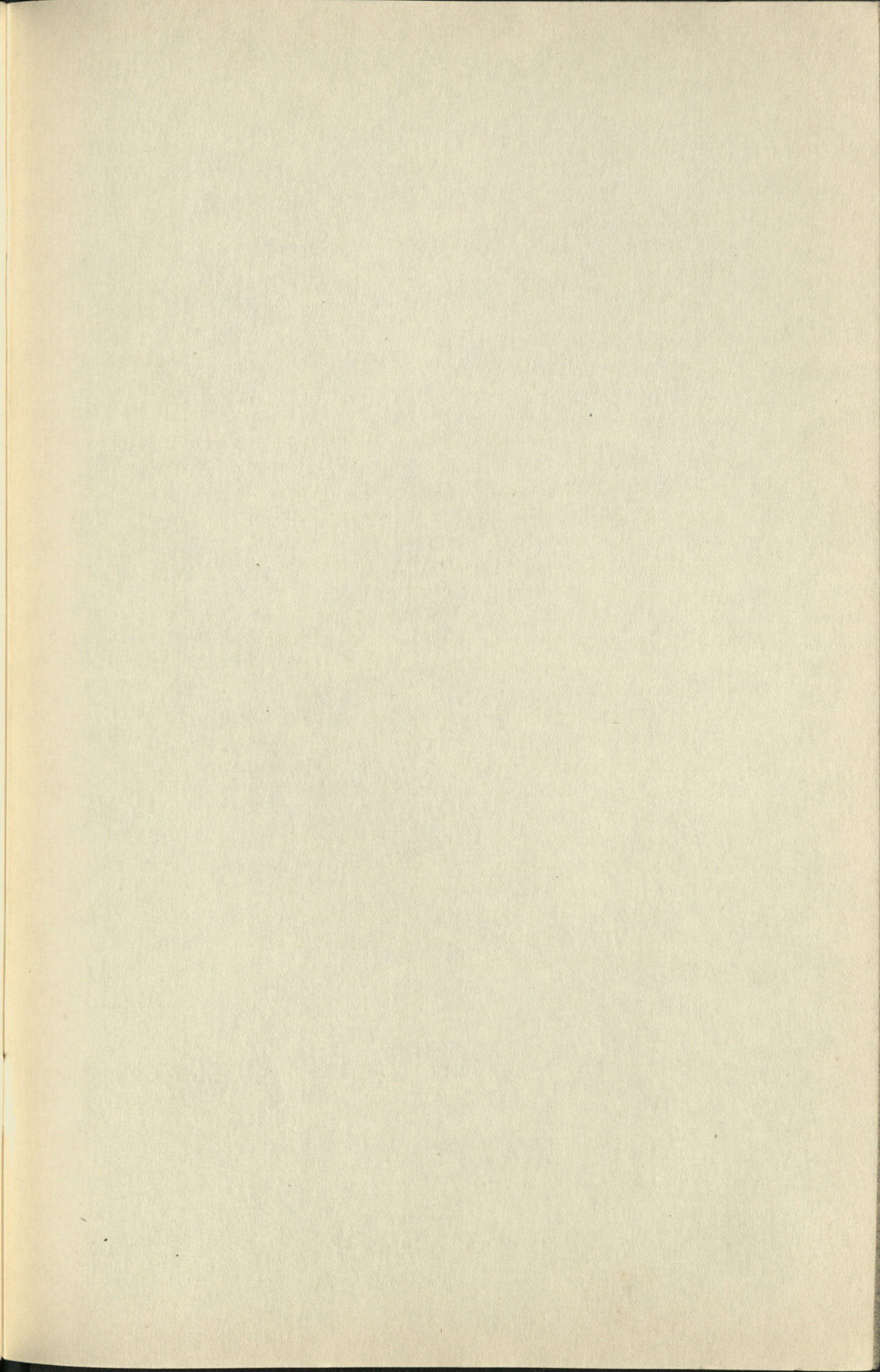
SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$24 25
J. L. Hammett & Co.	1 35
Newell White	2 57
Edward E. Babb & Co.	30 95
D. C. Heath & Co.	12 90
Bangor Publishing & Printing Co.	4 50
Edward E. Babb & Co.	3 00
Ginn & Co.	18 00
American Bk. Co.	7 70

Edward E. Babb & Co.....	11 04
J. A. Leach.....	3 36
Baker's Express.....	85
Perkins & Mitchell.....	17 83
Perkins & Mitchell.....	29 59
Edward E. Roderick.....	2 88
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	\$170 77

WOOD ACCOUNT

George Gifford, sawing and housing at S. Orrington.....	\$ 1 88
George Byard, wood for Pond and S. Orrington.....	24 00
Harry Atwood, wood for Thayer school.....	18 00
Rex Betts, sawing and housing at Thayer school.....	3 75
Willie Harriman, kindling for Pierces.....	75
Geo. and Rex Gifford, sawing and housing at Pond.....	2 25
Victor Burnham, sawing and housing at S. Orrington.....	2 25
W. W. Arbou, sawing and housing at Nickerson.....	3 75
G. G. Atwood, sawing and housing at E. Orrington.....	3 75
George Hewey, wood for Goodale's Cor.....	12 00
F. E. King, wood for King.....	9 00
J. W. Betts, wood for Nickerson.....	6 38
Carlos Lindsey, fitting and housing at King.....	2 00
George Byard, wood for Nickerson.....	8 00
J. E. Nickerson, fitting and housing at Nickerson.....	4 00
W. E. Woodman, kindling for Goodale's.....	50
F. G. Gray, wood for E. Orrington.....	3 75
Galen Kent, wood for Pierces, E. Orrington & Snow's.....	60 00
H. C. Hoxie, kindling for South, Nickerson and Pierces....	40
Frank A. Bowden, wood for Center.....	7 00
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