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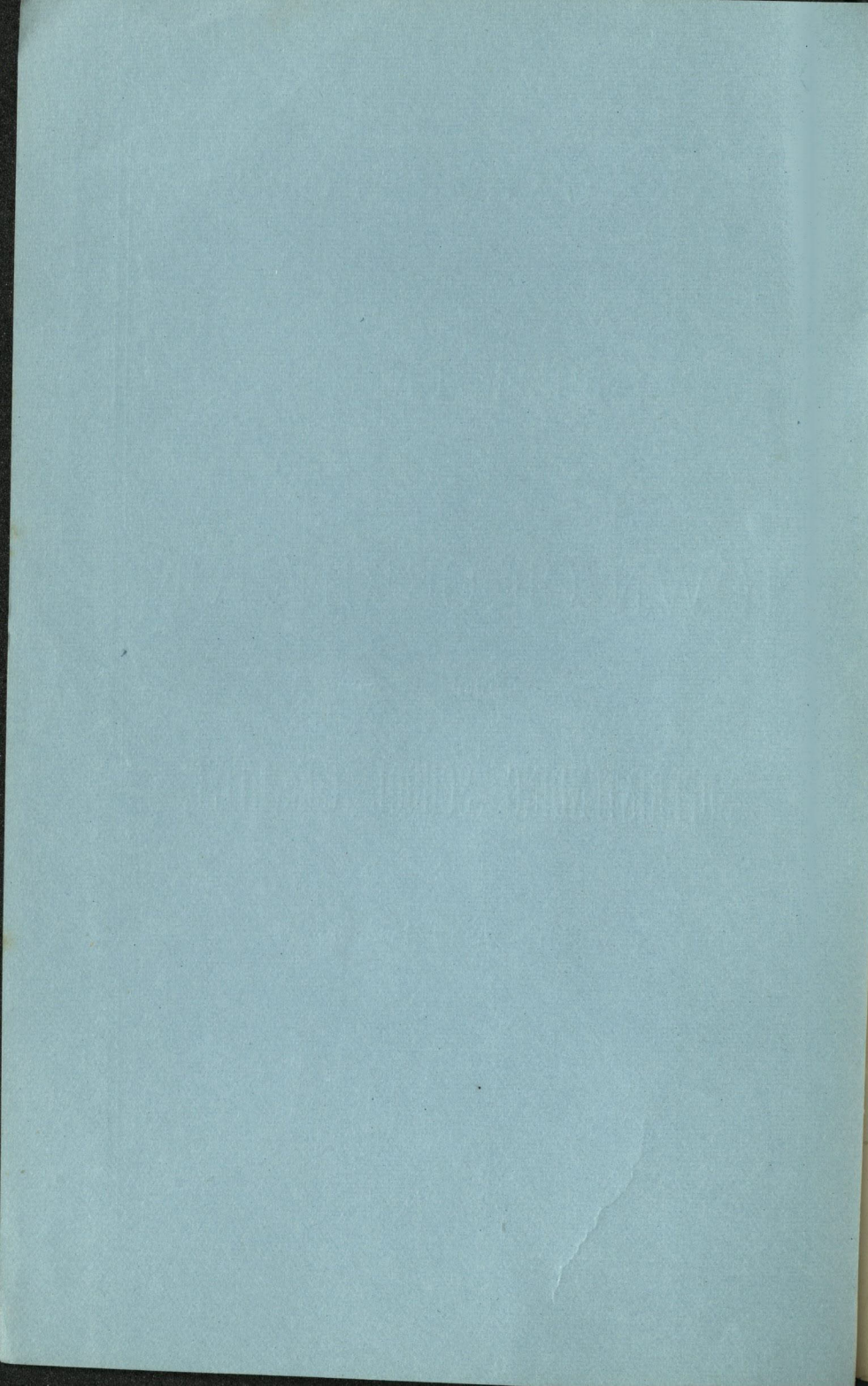
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WARRANT.

TO JOSIAH D. HINDS

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 said Town of Orrington, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town house in said Town, on Monday, the fifth 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 hear the report of the Selectmen, and act thereon.

Fourth. To hear the report of the Supervisor of Schools and act thereon.

Fifth. To hear the report of the Board of Health and act thereon.

Sixth. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Seventh. 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 repair of roads and bridges, and to defray all other Town charges for the year ensuing.

Eighth. To determine in what way the Town will adopt for the repairs of its highways the ensuing year, and to establish the price for labor thereon.

Ninth. To determine in what way the Town will choose its Highway Surveyors and School Agents for the ensuing year.

Tenth. To see if the Town will tax dogs.

Eleventh. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen in regard to letting and care of the Town House.

Twelfth. (By request.) To see if the Town will discount ten per cent on all taxes of 1888 paid into the Treasury on or before the first day of July next, and five per cent on all taxes paid on or before the first day of November next.

Thirteenth. (By request.) To see what measures the Town will take to celebrate its centennial.

Fourteenth. To see if the Town will have one or more Free High Schools the present year, and raise money for the same.

Fifteenth. To see if the Town will instruct the sextons of the cemeteries to keep the bushes, weeds and grass cut, and removed from the yards.

The Selectmen give notice that they shall be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting 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-third day of February, A. D. 1888.

J. D. BAKER,	} Selectmen of Orrington.
N. A. NICKERSON,	
W. M. BAKER.	

ANNUAL REPORT.

ALBERT G. DOLE, Treasurer,

In account with the Town of Orrington.

DR.

Feb. 22d, 1888.

To uncollected non-resident taxes.....	\$352 79	
uncollected resident tax.....	272 32	
money in the Treasury.....	380 70	
		<u>\$1,005 81</u>

AMOUNT RAISED BY THE TOWN, MARCH 7th, 1887.

For the support of the poor.....	\$ 700 00	
defray Town charges.....	450 00	
repair of roads and bridges.....	1,500 00	
building fence for Cemeteries.....	200 00	
digging and stoning a well with pump.....	75 00	
		<u>\$2,925 00</u>
highway deficiency for 1886.....	\$28 43	
tax on dogs.....	71 00	
overlaying in assessments.....	102 42	
		<u>\$201 85</u>
To rent of Town House to Penobscot Council to April 1st 1887.....	\$20 50	
cash for gravel sold at So. Orrington	1 20	
road tax from A. D. Atwood's estate for 1886	2 18	
Paid road and telegraph tax for 1887.....	18 62	
supplementary tax.....	5 80	
barbed wire and old fence sold by selectmen.	7 44	
rent of Town House for one evening.....	2 50	
		<u>\$58 24</u>

\$4,190 90

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By paid for support of poor.....	\$ 674 22	
“ “ repair of roads and bridges.....	1,580 33	
“ “ miscellaneous expenses.....	495 26	
“ “ Town officers.....	416 23	
		<u>\$3,166 04</u>
uncollected non-resident tax.....	\$425 62	
uncollected resident tax.....	448 81	
money in the Treasury.....	150 43	
		<u>\$1,024 86</u>
		<u>\$4,190 90</u>

PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

J. Wyman Phillips, Supervisor of Schools, 1886	\$ 78 75
J. D. Hinds, Constable, for warning two meetings.....	3 50
Warren Nickerson, Moderator for two meetings	2 50
A. G. Dole, Treasurer.....	40 00
J. D. Baker, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of poor, etc.....	89 50
N. A. Nickerson, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, etc.	51 70
W. M. Baker, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, etc.....	50 28
A. G. Kent, Collector,	100 00

 \$416 23

SUPPORT OF POOR.

G. W. Brown, 2d, support of Chas. A. Ayer...	\$ 50 00
L. W. Goodbin, support of Mrs. Lucretia Kenney	130 00
S. A. Thayer, care of K. Stubbs, winter of 1886 and 1887.....	15 00
Insane Hospital, support of Mrs. Abbie D. Godfrey.....	147 84
W. M. Baker, going to Monroe for G. W. Gould	4 75
Town of Monroe, for support of G. W. Gould..	12 50
A. S. Conant, care and support of G. W. Gould	4 00
T. F. Filondon, support of Timothy Stubbs and wife.....	183 50
S. Bolton, supplies to Franco Rebaro's family..	57 13
" shoes to Franco Rebaro's family....	7 00
Dr. G. B. Tibbetts, medical attendance to Franco Rebaro's family.....	17 50
Mrs. Daniel Appleton, support of E. S. Appleton.....	5 00
Otis G. Washburn, support of George Harvey..	27 00
Thomas Bowden, wood to Mrs. O. H. Hymes..	13 00

 \$674 22

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

B. A. Burr, for printing town report for '86 and '87.....	\$25 00
J. D. Baker, paid for cutters for road machine,	17 00
D. Bugbee, for books and stationery.....	1 60
J. A. Fullum, for repairs on road machine....	1 75
W. S. Perkins, for painting road machine.....	4 50
H. G. Field, for use of boat 14 days for crossing long bridge road.....	3 50
S. G. Nye, for labor on fence for So. Orrington cemeteries.....	15 00
E. N. Nye, for labor and material for fence, So. Orrington cemeteries.....	10 00
J. D. Baker, for labor and material for fence, So. Orrington cemeteries.....	13 90

Kimbal Means, for freight on wire for cemetery fence.....	\$2 10
A. Rogers & Son, for cedar posts for cemetery fence.....	3 21
Rice & Miller, for wire and staples for fencing three cemeteries.....	51 41
C. W. Freeman, for perambulating Town lines..	2 25
N. A. Nickerson, for labor and material for fencing Dean Hill cemetery.....	41 94
J. D. Hinds, for care of tramps.....	3 00
J. Wyman Phillips, for books furnished poor children.....	2 85
J. Wyman Phillips, for material furnished High School.....	1 15
S. H. Higgins, for wood furnished High School,	6 56
E. L. Fowler, for fitting Town House for High School.....	4 10
J. L. Clark, for teaching High School 2½ months,	125 00
J. D. Baker, for stamps, stationery and express bill on books.....	2 48
A. G. Kent, Col., for abatement of taxes for 1886,	25 21
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 1887,	57 33
A. G. Dole, Treasurer, for interest on School Fund for 1887.....	69 42
T. H. Crowell, for care of Town House for 1887,	5 00
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	\$495 26

LABOR ON ROADS AND BRIDGES DISTRICT NO. 1.

Chas. A. Wiswell, surveyor.....	\$ 3 99
Philander Kent.....	19 74
Marion Hutchings.....	1 82
Thomas P. Lawrance.....	3 05
H. N. Smith.....	3 04
Charles A. Wiswell, surveyor.....	37 58
Horace P. Marston.....	6 10
Nathan P. Marston.....	3 22
Orrington Ice Co.....	15 50
Charles E. Stickney.....	1 75
Wilson Puffer.....	1 40
Geo. W. Smith.....	2 66
A. E. Atkins.....	1 89
Mellen N. Atkins.....	4 06
L. Barstow.....	1 68
Harrison Puffer.....	1 26
James T. Wiswell.....	2 03
A. G. Dole.....	5 15
Isaiah A. Baker.....	3 85
Edward Gray.....	1 40
Elmer I. Baker.....	2 80
David B. Doane.....	2 38
Otis A. & W. A. Marston.....	4 20
Preston Wood.....	2 55
Fred W. Badershall.....	4 00
J. W. Phillips.....	1 68
Chas. A. Wiswell.....	5 04
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	\$143 82

DISTRICT NO. 2.

J. H. Smith, surveyor.....	\$46 80
.. ..	70 39

\$117 19

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Geo. G. Hodgdon, surveyor.....	\$15 48
Geo. W. Wentworth.....	6 27
Howard Wentworth.....	2 10
Willard H. Smith.....	1 61
Peter C. Smith.....	1 68
J. Witham.....	5 60
C. A. Gott.....	14 55
J. F. Smith.....	1 54
Geo. H. Higgins.....	1 89
Roland F. Higgins.....	2 17
John D. Hodgdon.....	2 94
G. G. Hodgdon, surveyor.....	10 47
C. A. Gott.....	3 27
S. M. Conley.....	5 60
N. A. Nickerson.....	10 37
E. G. Nickerson.....	4 97
J. B. Bartlett.....	3 22

\$93 73

DISTRICT NO. 4.

A. E. Freeman, surveyor.....	\$ 9 94
Frank E. Baker.....	2 63
L. B. Blake.....	4 98
A. E. Freeman.....	4 48
Amasa Smith.....	6 23
A. E. Freeman.....	10 18
J. D. Baker.....	2 98
N. S. Paine.....	1 40
Walter Wheelden.....	2 25

\$45 07

DISTRICT NO. 4, SOUTH.

Benjamin Ryder, surveyor.....	\$62 95	\$62 95
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DISTRICT NO. 5.

Ezekiel Glass, surveyor.....	\$ 27 77
S. G. Nye.....	10 01
C. Holmes.....	3 38
S. G. Nye.....	2 75
Daniel C. Woodman.....	7 79
Wm. Seavey.....	11 85
E. H. Freeman.....	4 79
W. E. Bowden.....	7 67
E. L. Bowden.....	2 50
E. H. Freeman.....	1 50
C. H. Smith.....	4 77
Geo. W. Jordan.....	1 96
J. B. Ryder.....	4 50

\$91 24

DISTRICT NO. 6, WEST.

Charles W. Atwood, surveyor.....	\$28 67
Jacob Harding.....	6 76
C. M. Rogers.....	1 89
E. B. Johnson.....	5 32
Henry and Lenord Irish.....	7 49
M. R. Freeman.....	3 71
W. W. Ryder.....	6 57
F. C. McIntyre.....	3 36
J. D. Freeman.....	5 77
Geo. W. Freeman.....	11 69
D. T. Hodgdon.....	4 34
David Scott & Co.....	17 80

 \$103 37

DISTRICT NO. 6, EAST.

W. M. Baker, surveyor.....	\$31 58
Elmer E. Higgins.....	3 86
S. L. Rogers.....	9 10
Chas. W. Freeman.....	8 28
R. F. Rowell.....	3 36
Wm. S. Pond.....	3 92
Fred I. Herriman.....	2 66
D. L. Dodge.....	10 72
L. A. Chapin.....	5 09
G. G. Hodgdon.....	2 89

 \$81 46

DISTRICT NO. 7, WEST.

Wm. F. Eldridge, surveyor.....	\$46 42
Geo. W. Littlefield.....	2 57
W. E. Bowden.....	7 00
C. A. Severance, on bridge.....	10 00
S. H. Higgins.....	12 43
A. P. Chapman.....	7 67
Thomas B. George.....	7 16
W. H. Smith.....	3 78
Chas. E. Smith.....	5 30
W. H. Wheeler.....	4 97
E. A. Hincks.....	4 38
E. E. Snow.....	8 39

 \$120 07

DISTRICT NO. 7, EAST.

John Elms, surveyor.....	\$74 83
R. H. Dickey.....	7 70
E. B. Lufkin.....	31 02
Horace Field.....	1 89
David Scott & Co.....	7 00

 \$122 44

DISTRICT NO. 8, EAST.

Mark E. Hatch, surveyor.....	\$39 11
John S. Berry.....	2 24
C. H. Chapman.....	1 50

Thomas Bowden.....	\$30 16
John E. Bowden, and others.....	54 25
C. H. Chapman.....	8 43
L. Perkins.....	7 36

\$143 05

DISTRICT NO. 8, WEST.

Josiah Quimby, surveyor.....	\$26 77
John E. Bowden.....	9 05
Perry A. Fowler.....	6 00
Peter C. Baker.....	3 08
H. M. Rogers.....	13 00
Geo. G. Ryder.....	6 75
A. Chapin.....	2 61

\$ 67 26

DISTRICT NO. 9.

S. S. Herriman, surveyor.....	\$34 66
Geo. A. Richardson.....	3 50
R. Whitcomb.....	3 28
Warren N. Herriman.....	2 59
Fred King.....	4 27
Arthur W. King.....	4 51
Chas. Bowden.....	3 15
Joseph W. Bowden.....	7 63
E. P. Richardson.....	3 71
Fred T. Bowden.....	2 38
Albion Bowden.....	15 40

\$85 08

DISTRICT NO 10.

Herbert E. Thayer, surveyor.....	\$ 29 00
Nathaniel Souther.....	12 43
H. S. Perkins.....	3 92
C. W. Atwood, 2d.....	14 48
S. A. Thayer.....	20 73
W. W. Leathers.....	12 11
Heirs of Wm. Snow.....	5 04

97 71

CORNER DISTRICT.

Thomas H. Crowell, surveyor.....	\$ 22 46
James E. Smith.....	2 97
Stephen D. Nickerson.....	2 62
E. N. Fowler.....	14 98
C. A. Gott.....	4 50
Geo. F. Pierce.....	17 50
A. B. Pierce.....	7 76
Frank H. Smith.....	19 29
G. G. Hodgdon.....	7 70
J. B. Reed.....	1 26
O. J. Kendell.....	5 00
A. A. Pierce.....	2 10
A. H. Smith.....	8 50
Frank Rebaro.....	3 50

S. S. Smith.....	2 10	
Otis R. Smith.....	4 76	
S. C. Lord.....	63	
	<hr/>	\$127 63
A. E. Freeman, on bridge near D. W. Pierce's.	50 00	
Albert Bowden, for plank.....	6 25	
D. Sargent & Sons, for plank, E. Orrington	22 01	
	<hr/>	\$78 26

AMOUNT RAISED BY THE TOWN, MARCH 7th, 1887.

For schools.....	\$1,300 00	
support of poor.....	700 00	
repair of roads and bridges.....	1,500 00	
town charges.....	450 00	
building fence for cemeteries.....	200 00	
digging a well.....	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,225 00
highway deficiency for 1886.....	\$28 43	
tax on dogs.....	71 00	
overlying in assessments....	102 42	
	<hr/>	\$201 85
State tax for 1887.....	\$1,120 71	
County tax, 1887.....	588 74	
	<hr/>	\$1,709 45
Total assessments for 1887.....		\$6,136 30
supplementary tax.....		5 80

VALUATION FOR 1887.

Real estate of residents taxed.....	\$256,310 00	
Personal estate of residents taxed.....	78,065 00	
	<hr/>	\$334,375 00
Real estate of non-residents taxed.....	\$27,860 00	
Personal estate of non-residents taxed.....	275 00	
	<hr/>	28,135 00
Total estates taxed.....		\$362,510 00
Number of Polls 381; Poll tax, \$3.00; Percentage, \$1.35 on \$1.00.		

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Uncollected non-resident taxes.....	\$425 62	
“ resident taxes.....	448 81	
Money in the Treasury.....	150 43	
Due the Town from D. Godfrey's estate.....	583 48	
Due the Town from the State for Free High School.....	62 50	
Due from Penobscot council to date.....	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,681 84
Road Machine,.....	\$150 00	

APPORTIONMENT.

No. of District.	No. of Scholars.	Apportioned.	Due from 1886.	Paid.	Now Due.
1	39	\$191 50		\$173 68	\$17 82
2	42	189 00	\$8 43	188 18	9 25
3	30	163 00	13 69	170 16	6 53
4	90	405 00		384 32	20 68
5	19	135 50		124 40	11 10
6	23	143 50	2 86	125 50	20 86
7	61	274 50	154 96	426 18	3 28
8	19	130 50	7 56	53 55	84 51
9	23	146 67	1 62	142 67	5 62
10	9	40 50	21 70	38 90	23 30
Corner.	56	252 00	31 47	260 33	23 14
	411	\$2,071 67	\$242 29	\$2,087 87	\$226 09

Respectfully Submitted,

J. D. BAKER,
 N. A. NICKERSON, } Selectmen
 W. M. BAKER, } of
 Orrington.

ORRINGTON, Feb. 23, 1888.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF ORRINGTON:

The following named citizens having been appointed by you, to serve as a board of health, and having accepted the appointment, viz.: A. N. Lufkin, G. B. Tibbetts, Sumner Chapin would make our first Annual Report. They met May 12, 1887, to organize. Mr. A. N. Lufkin was chosen President of the Board and G. B. Tibbetts, Secretary.

There have been but two meetings during the year, as there seemed to be no special reasons for doing so. The town has been very free from contagious diseases, six cases of Typhoid fever having been seen, and one case of Scarlet fever reported, in all of which, such precautionary measures were taken as could be consistently, to prevent the spread of said diseases.

The following named inhabitants presented a petition to the Secretary, to ascertain the cause of water flowing into their cellars, at certain seasons of the year, thereby endangering their health, viz.: F. H. Smith, F. A. Linnell, D. L. Genn and Myra G. Harriman.

An examination revealed the chief cause to be a defective culvert across the main street opposite their buildings. The facts being made known to the Selectmen and Surveyor the defect was removed.

The members of the board are ready to act at any time, so far as lays in their power, to improve the sanitary condition of our town and we would earnestly request all citizens to co-operate with us in so doing, as in this direction an ounce of prevention is worth, not a pound, but many pounds of cure.

G. B. TIBBETTS, M. D., Secretary.

Orrington, Feb. 23, 1888.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Summer term.—Miss Lena H. Smith, teacher. This appeared to be a good school. Careful progress was made without severe effort on the part of any. A more resolute discipline would have been better.

Fall term.—Miss Florence Watters, teacher. The school was well organized and gradually brought under wholesome discipline. The instruction was thorough and every exercise contributed to the social and intellectual profit of the scholars.

Winter term.—Miss Eva M. Kincaid, teacher. The labor bestowed here was systematic, but not quite judicious; better order would have given better results, and lent an inspiration to higher intellectual effort. A general advance, however, was made, and Arithmetic received good attention.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Very fortunately, as we think, Miss Jennie A. Rowleston had charge of this school for the year. A thorough scholar of literary taste, she taught without confining herself wholly to text books, and included subjects of general interest and importance to all students. The school was orderly and satisfactory advancement in all studies made.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Summer term.—Miss Josie M. Buckley, teacher. The term commenced under favoring circumstances. Teacher and scholars were mutually acquainted and knew the duties before them; but, as the term progressed, the interest in study weakened, and the high attainment looked for was not reached. A teacher should be watchful lest her mind become abstracted from her school.

Winter term.—Mr. J. S. Ferguson, teacher. The instruction was careful, exact, thorough; though given with moderation, it was understood and appreciated. The classes in Reading, Arithmetic and Grammar did well and it must be pronounced a good school.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Summer and Fall Terms.—Miss Blanche K. Bolton teacher. The teacher readily adapted herself to the large demands of these schools, and, combined with the scholars, made them profitable terms; good order prevailed and the attendance of several visitors at the final examination and the beautiful gift of the scholars to their teacher made the closing exercises of great interest.

Winter Term.—Mr. S. S. DeBeck, teacher. In the crowded condition of the school-room much labor was expended that was mechanical rather than intellectual. To maintain fair order even, under such circumstances, was no easy task; but more than this was done—the order was good, and the school appeared well at both examinations. The room was well kept and all who took part in the closing exercises deserve credit.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Summer Term.—Miss Dora Corry, teacher. Trained in English schools, Miss Corry failed to comprehend our system of organization and classification, thus making her labor quite difficult and lessening the profit of her instruction. She worked hard and the larger scholars aided her in her willing but tiresome duties.

Winter term.—Miss Maud W. Brewer, teacher. This term was quite different from the former. Good order was maintained and good progress made. All was done by scholars and teacher that could reasonably be expected.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Summer term.—Miss Eugenia M. Pond, teacher. The term passed quietly, pleasantly, and with considerable profit. The usual routine of school work appeared to have been willingly performed.

Winter term.—Miss Ruthie E. Field, teacher. This was a

small school and was conducted very much as the previous term. The studies received due attention, but it seems to us, that especially in so small a school, some variety might be introduced with profit; some general exercises in elocution, penmanship, orthoepy and the like ought to be practiced.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Summer and Fall terms.—Miss Perdita L. Chapman, teacher. These schools were orderly without seeming effort. Sufficient advancement was made to insure thoroughness. The classes in Fractions showed a careful drill and did finely. Algebra and Physics were duly considered.

Winter term.—Mr. M. A. Arnold brought experience and tact with him when entering upon his duties; these requisites and a pleasing manner in imparting, encouraged the scholars in their studies and made the school a success. It was gratifying to your Supervisor to find the ceiling of the schoolroom whitened and the chronic spinal disorder of the stove funnel entirely removed.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Summer term.—Miss Maud W. Brewer, teacher. This was Miss Brewer's first school, and proved a good one. It numbered but ten scholars; but their improvement indicated industrious habits of study and methodical instruction.

Winter term.—Miss Nellie E. Chapin, teacher. The large experience as a teacher, and her earnest manner, gave Miss Chapin a guarantee of success from the beginning. Good order and devotion to study prepared the way for a pleasing and satisfactory examination. Time was not wasted in dilatory questions or answers. Promptness was the rule. The spelling was a marked feature of the school.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Summer Term.—Miss Minnie L. Richardson. The teacher exercised her usual efficient government, and although the school chafed a little under it at first, soon put it in an active, progressive and receptive condition. It was a working body and the scholars appeared interested in their work.

Winter Term.—Miss Rosa E. Bowden is one of our experienced teachers, and of course, is proficient in her art. She had an attentive school, and several scholars did not miss a half day for the term of fourteen weeks. The average was twenty out of a total attendance of twenty-one. Physiology, Arithmetic and Reading were prominent.

CORNER DISTRICT.

Summer and Fall terms.—Miss Rosa E. Bowden, teacher. The younger scholars of the district attended these schools; the older, in the fall, going to the high school. The pupils were quite ready in examination, and worked understandingly at the blackboards; several of them giving promise of high scholarship in the near future.

Winter term.—Mr. Gilbert S. Vickery, teacher. It seems a matter of fact that this school should be uneasy. If the scholars are not studying they are playing, and in either case they are noisy—an index of good if properly directed. It is rather difficult for a good natured, patient teacher to give the right direction to such a propensity; nevertheless, much work was done, some pupils getting great credit to themselves, especially in U. S. History.

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

A fall term of ten weeks was taught by Mr. John L. Clark, of Bangor.

Whole number of scholars, 33; average number, 29; wages of teacher per month, \$50.

The term was a very profitable one, and all our citizens express themselves as well satisfied with the investment and the result. It is hoped the town will continue, if not enlarge the appropriation.

STATISTICS.

SUMMER SCHOOLS.						WINTER SCHOOLS.					
No. of District.	Length of School in weeks.	Number of Scholars Registered.	Average Number in Attendance.	Wages per Week.	Board per Week.	No. of District.	Length of School in Weeks.	Number of Scholars Registered.	Average Number in Attendance.	Wages per Week.	Board per week.
1	8	27	21	3 50	1 50	1	10	21	18	\$4 75	2 25
2	8	24	19	4 00	2 35	2	10	21	16	5 00	2 50
3	9	23	18	4 50	2 00	3	9	26	21	7 00	2 75
4	7	46	42	6 00	1 50	4	12	53	44	11 25	3 25
5	8	17	15	5 00	2 00	5	12	17	14	3 50	2 00
6	8	12	10	3 50	1 50	6	10	12	10	3 00	2 00
7	8	32	23	7 00	1 00	7	9	29	26	9 25	3 25
8	8	10	10	2 25	2 00	8	11	17	14	5 00	2 00
9	8	15	14	3 00	2 00	9	14	21	20	5 00	2 00
Corner.	8	29	25	5 00	2 50	Corner.	9	28	25	7 50	2 50
FALL SCHOOLS.											
1	9	27	22	3 50	2 00	7	8	26	20	7 00	1 00
2	8	22	18	4 00	2 35	Corner.	8	27	21	5 00	2 50
4	7	49	41	8 00	1 50	High.	10	33	29	9 50	3 00

Number of scholars in Town,	411
“ “ attending summer schools,	235
“ “ “ fall “	184
“ “ “ winter “	245
Average number attending summer “	197
“ “ “ fall “	151
“ “ “ winter “	208
“ length of summer schools in weeks	8.0
“ “ fall “ “	8.3
“ “ winter “ “	10.6
“ “ school in weeks for the year,	8.96
“ wages of female teachers per week exclusive of board,	\$4.74
“ wages male teacher per month, exclusive of board	35 60
“ price of board per week,	2 12

Per cent of average attendance in summer to number of scholars in Town	479
Per cent of average attendance in winter to number of scholars in Town,	506
Average per cent of attendance for the year,	493

The average attendance is a little below that of last year. The reason of this may be attributed to the prevalence of measles in the north part of the town in the summer, and the severe storms the latter part of the winter. Apart from this very little sickness has prevailed, and we have found the scholars more free from colds and coughs than usual. The teachers maintained their official relations with an easy dignity, commending themselves alike to their pupils and to the communities in which they were placed; and proving masters of the situation, they have met the expectations of the town to an unusual degree. Not a complaint has been made to the Supervisor, for the year.

We have had—principally in our winter schools—five graduates of Castine Normal School, one of Burlington Medical School, one each of Brewer and Bangor High Schools, two of Bucksport Seminary, two members of Orono College and one who attended Williston College two years; thus showing the interest now taken by our young men and women to qualify themselves for the responsible position of instructors of youth.

The school house, in No. 8 has been put in nice repair; the house at the Corner is undergoing a transformation for the better, and the one in District No. 1 will probably receive its needed repairs the coming year. The coldest school room we have is in No. 6, and we earnestly recommend a double floor with sheathing paper between, the arranging of the ventilators so they may be opened or closed according to the temperature of the room, a stove two or three times the size of the present one, and that it be placed nearer the centre of the room.

Yielding to the long continued importunities of teachers and scholars, and our own sense of duty in the matter, we made an exchange of Readers and Mental Arithmetics at a small cost to the pupils. The old Readers had been in use ten years which

fact will account for the readiness with which the change was made.

Your attention has been so often called in previous reports of School Committees to the want of parental interest in the schools, that it seems superfluous to refer to it again; but the subject is so urgent we are constrained to press it here. And yet it seems hardly proper to say a want of interest, but, rather, that this interest is not expressed in the most effective way. At all of the closing winter examinations but nine parents were present. Now we pay our money willingly and liberally for educational labor and take little apparent care of how that labor is performed, provided our children are not severely chastised and no rebellion occurs: leaving the weighty matters of sympathy, advice, encouragement, morality and obedience to teachers and school officers when the personal presence of a parent in school would be more corrective and stimulating to scholars than a whole sermon from teacher or committee. We can thus know more truthfully the rank, behavior and tendencies of our children and be better able to direct them. We should seek the acquaintance of teachers, talk freely and kindly with them about their school and especially express an interest and anxious volition for the successful progress and good demeanor of our own children, and be sure, that teacher will be more than doubly interested in such children afterwards. Our schools are open for inspection, the "latch string is out," walk right in, don't wait for introductions, and, when comfortably seated, use your eyes and ears with prudence and your tongue with wisdom.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Supervisor.

Orrington, Feb. 25, 1888.

