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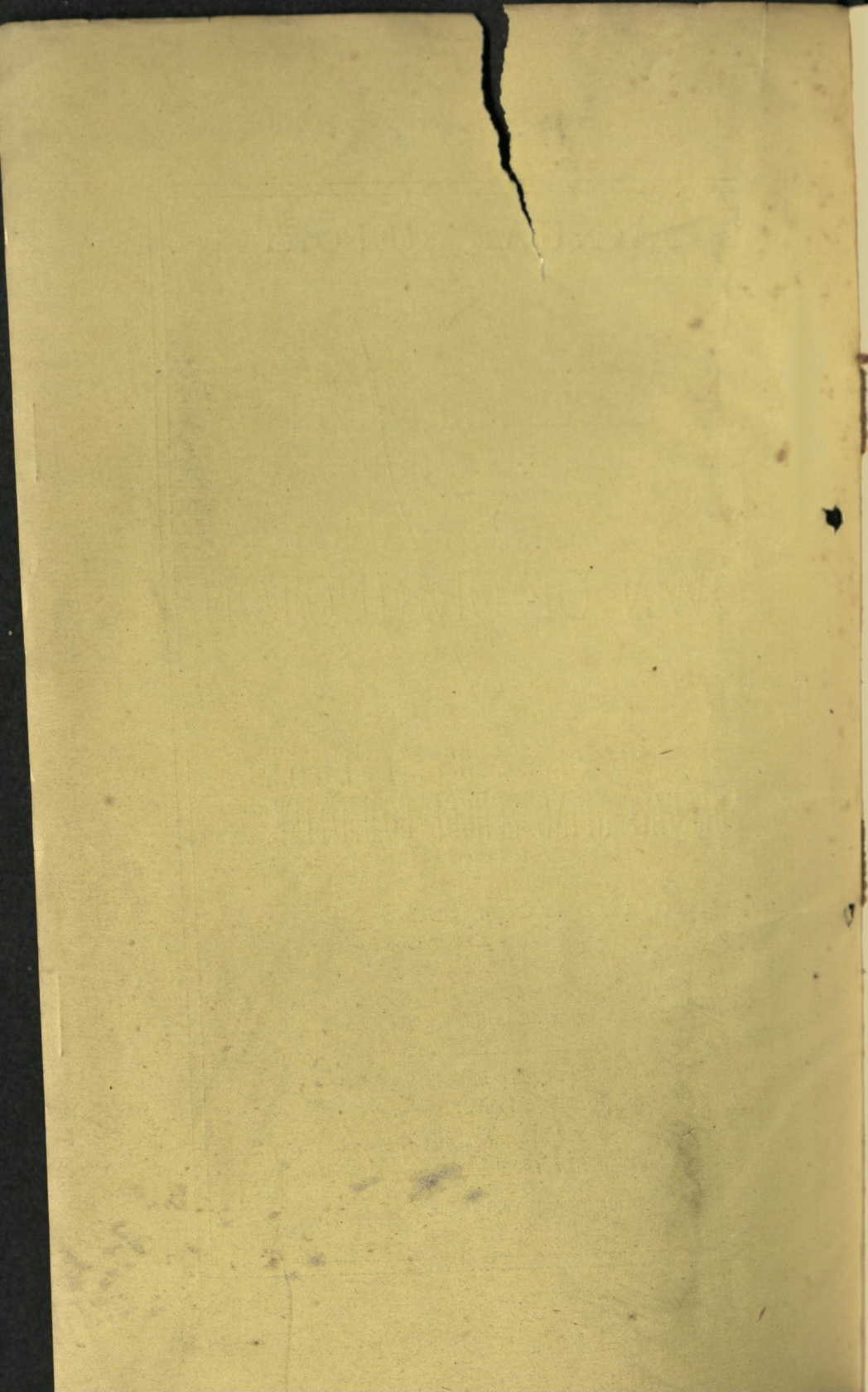
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# WARRANT.

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 eleventh 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 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, and grounds.

*Twelfth.* To see if the Town will discount five per cent. to all persons who pay their full taxes for 1889, into the Treasury on or before the first day of July next.

*Thirteenth.* To see if the town will build sheds, and a fence around the Town House lot, or build a stable for the use of the Town, and raise or appropriate money for that purpose.

*Fourteenth.* (By petition.) "To see if the Town will vote to pay William B. Grindle, Amariah W. Fowler and Redington Nye, the Bounty guaranteed to them by this Town by a vote 1864, who enlisted and were credited on the quoto of this Town to fill the call from the Government for the five hundred thousand recruits, and raise money for that purpose."

*Fifteenth.* To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses of Memorial Day.

*Sixteenth.* To see if the Town will "ratify and approve" the agreement made by the Selectmen of Orrington, and Harlan P. Sargent and D. Allston Sargent, of Brewer in settlement of damages for flogage of Long Bridge. (So called.)

*Seventeenth.* To see if the Town will have one or more Free High Schools the present year, and raise money for that purpose.

*Eighteenth.* To see if the Town will authorize the Superintending School Committee or Supervisor to employ the teachers for the several districts.

*Nineteenth.* To see if the Town will raise or appropriate a sum of money for the repairs of their Town House, and fix the sum.

*Twentieth.* To see if the Town will abate to Mrs. Julia A. True, a part or all of the non-resident tax due on the old Hoben estate, but unknown to her at the time of purchase.

*Twenty-first.* To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to locate, dig and stone a well, and put a pump therein, near Orrington Corner, and appropriate money for that purpose.

*Twenty-second.* To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Municipal Officers of said town.



*Twenty-third.* To see if the Town will grant and raise a sum of money to drain, and fill the pond in Dean Hill Cemetery, provided an equal amount is paid by subscription.

*Twenty-fourth.* To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to purchase a lot for gravel in District No. 1, and raise money for the same.

The Selectmen give notice that they will 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-eighth day of February A.D. 1889.

|               |   |            |
|---------------|---|------------|
| J. D. BAKER,  | } | Selectmen  |
| A. N. LUFKIN, |   | of         |
| W. M. BAKER,  |   | Orrington. |



# ANNUAL REPORT.

ALBERT G. DOLE, Treasurer,

In account with the Town of Orrington.

Dr.

Feb. 22nd, 1889.

|  |          |                   |
|--|----------|-------------------|
| To uncollected non-resident taxes..... | \$425 62 |                   |
| uncollected resident tax.....          | 448 81   |                   |
| money in the treasury.....             | 150 43   |                   |
|  |          | <u>\$1,024 86</u> |

## AMOUNT RAISED BY THE TOWN MARCH 5th, 1888.

|   |          |                   |
|---|----------|-------------------|
| For the support of the poor.....            | \$700 00 |                   |
| defraying town charges.....                 | 500 00   |                   |
| repair of roads and bridges.....            | 1,000 00 |                   |
| amt. to pay present indebtedness on roads.  | 500 00   |                   |
| amt. for the support of a Free High School, | 80 00    |                   |
| overlays in assessment.....                 | 244 05   |                   |
| tax on dogs.....                            | 75 00    |                   |
| supplementary tax.....                      | 15 00    |                   |
|   |          | <u>\$3,114 05</u> |

|  |        |                   |
|--|--------|-------------------|
| To cash from T. Freeman for enlargement of<br>lot in cemetery at So. Orrington.....  | 5 00   |                   |
| cash received from Penobscot Council for use<br>of Town House to Oct. 1st, 1888..... | 13 90  |                   |
| rent of Town House.....  | 4 00   |                   |
| money refunded, overpaid by Mrs. Goodbin..   | 3 50   |                   |
| “ received of J. W. Gould.....   | 2 00   |                   |
| “ “ from State for Free High Sch.  | 127 50 |                   |
| “ “ “ “ R.R. & Tel. tax,   | 18 41  |                   |
| “ “ from Town of Hampden, aid<br>of S. A. Smith's family.....                        | 21 00  |                   |
| “ collected on abatements.....   | 22 29  |                   |
| “ for gravel sold at So. Orrington.....  | 1 75   |                   |
|  |        | <u>\$219 35</u>   |
|  |        | <u>\$4,358 26</u> |

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|                                      |           |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| By paid for support of the poor..... | \$ 526 34 |                   |
| “ repairs of roads and bridges.....  | 1,262 66  |                   |
| “ miscellaneous expenses.....        | 560 62    |                   |
| “ Town officers.....                 | 410 33    |                   |
|                                      |           | <u>\$2,759 95</u> |
| uncollected non-resident tax.....    | 469 98    |                   |
| uncollected resident tax.....        | 444 91    |                   |
| money in the treasury.....           | 683 42    |                   |
|                                      |           | <u>1,598 31</u>   |
|                                      |           | <u>\$4,358 26</u> |



## PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| J. D. Hinds, Constable, warning four meetings,                       | \$ 8 00 |
| J. Wyman Phillips, Supervisor of Schools 1887,                       | 81 95   |
| Asa G. Kent, Collector of Taxes 1888.....                            | 100 00  |
| A. G. Dole, Treasurer.....   | 40 00   |
| J. D. Baker, Selectmen, Assessor, Overseer of<br>the Poor, etc.....  | 80 90   |
| A. N. Lufkin, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer,<br>of the Poor etc..... | 54 73   |
| W. M. Baker, Selectmen, Assessor, Overseer,                          | 44 75   |

\$410 33

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| L. W. Goodbin, support of Mrs. Lucretia<br>Kenney.....                 | \$113 00 |
| Mrs. Jennie Conant, for support Mrs. Lucretia<br>Kenney.....           | 77 00    |
| E. W. Rogers, clothing for Mrs. Lucretia<br>Kenney.....                | 1 40     |
| Dr. G. B. Tibbetts, medical service for Mrs. Lu-<br>cretia Kenney..... | 31 50    |
| Insane Hospital, support of Mrs. Abbie D.<br>Godfrey.....              | 146 73   |
| Mrs. D. Appleton, Sen., support of E. S.<br>Appleton.....              | 25 00    |
| E. W. Maddox, support of Chas. A. Ayer.....                            | 37 50    |
| Thos. Barstow, support G. W. Gould.....                                | 20 00    |
| Dr. G. B. Tibbetts, medical services for G. W.<br>Gould 1885.....      | 2 00     |
| John King, moving G. W. Gould to Insane<br>Hospital.....               | 11 45    |
| Dr. L. H. Wheeler, examining G. W. Gould...                            | 3 00     |
| E. W. Rogers, clothing for G. W. Gould.....                            | 3 90     |
| Mrs. J. A. True, care of Mrs. S. A. Smith of<br>Hampden, paid.....     | 21 00    |
| S. S. Harriman, wood to Mrs. O. H. Hymes....                           | 6 00     |
| E. W. Rogers, clothing to Mrs. Geo. S. Carter.                         | 5 00     |
| C. A. Gott, banking house for Geo. W. Godfrey                          | 1 00     |
| S. A. Thayer, wood furnished Geo. W. Godfrey                           | 3 50     |
| John King, wood furnished Geo. W. Godfrey,                             | 1 50     |
| C. D. Rollins, wood furnished Geo. W. Godfrey                          | 4 25     |
| E. W. Rogers, clothing furnished G. W. Godfrey                         | 2 40     |
| R. J. Wheeler supplies " " "   | 9 21     |

\$526 34

\$21.86 aid to Geo. W. Godfrey, repaid in full by his daughter, Mrs.  
Geo. H. Higgins, March 1st, 1889.

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| B. A. Burr, printing Town report for '87-'88....           | \$25 00 |
| J. D. Baker, whitewashing old cemetery fence.              | 2 58    |
| " " paid approved bills for Centennial<br>Celebration..... | 173 71  |
| D. W. Pierce, lighting bridge in Dist. No. 2....           | 1 50    |



|  |        |          |
|--|--------|----------|
| J. D. Hinds, care of tramps.....   | 1 88   |          |
| S. J. Nye, whitewashing cemetery fence South<br>Orrington.....                 | 3 00   |          |
| W. W. Poor, teaching High School 2 1-2 mos..                                   | 130 00 |          |
| J. Wyman Phillips, window shades for High<br>School.....                       | 7 80   |          |
| A. M. Harriman, wood for High School.....                                      | 7 00   |          |
| E. N. Fowler, repairs on town house, wood for<br>High School.....              | 7 41   |          |
| S. L. Rogers, cutting grass and bushes in Oak<br>Hill Cemetery.....            | 3 00   |          |
| Benj. Ryder Jr., cutting grass and bushes in<br>cemetery at So. Orrington..... | 3 45   |          |
| C. W. Freeman, surveying road line, Dist. No.<br>7, E.....                     | 1 00   |          |
| W. G. Freeman, removing bushes, etc., in Dean<br>Hill Cemetery.....            | 7 75   |          |
| D. Bugbee & Co., books and stationery for the<br>town.....                     | 9 57   |          |
| A. G. Dole, Treasurer, interest on school fund<br>for 1888.....                | 69 42  |          |
| T. H. Crowell, care of Town House 1888.....                                    | 5 00   |          |
| E. A. Hincks, removing fence in road Dist. No.<br>7, West.....                 | 1 40   |          |
| W. M. Baker, for services, money and oil with<br>road machine.....             | 7 87   |          |
| A. G. Kent, Col. for abatement of taxes for '86,                               | 9 93   |          |
| " " " " " " '87,   | 41 62  |          |
| " " " " " " '88,   | 40 73  |          |
|  |        | \$560 62 |

## LABOR ON ROADS AND BRIDGES. DISTRICT NO. 1.

|   |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|
| H. P. Marston, surveyor for the District..... | \$54 64 |         |
| J. N. Curtis.....                             | 6 30    |         |
| Marion Hutchings.....                         | 6 51    |         |
| E. B. Lufkin.....                             | 2 75    |         |
| E. E. Atkins.....                             | 2 03    |         |
| Phi. Kent.....                                | 4 37    |         |
| Sargents' Sons, plank.....                    | 7 90    |         |
| W. A. Marston.....                            | 2 94    |         |
|   |         | \$87 44 |

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

|   |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|
| J. H. Smith, surveyor for the District..... | \$36 90 |         |
| H. S. Perkins.....                          | 1 26    |         |
|   |         | \$38 16 |

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

|                              |         |  |
|------------------------------|---------|--|
| G. G. Hodgdon, surveyor..... | \$36 12 |  |
| Howard Wentworth.....        | 2 94    |  |
| N. A. Nickerson.....         | 4 55    |  |
| Geo. W. Wentworth.....       | 10 54   |  |
| J. B. Bartlett.....          | 3 66    |  |
| C. Gott....                  | 20 94   |  |



|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| J. E. Witham.....     | 8 16 |
| Howard Wentworth..... | 4 14 |
| J. D. Hodgdon.....    | 4 58 |

95 63

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| A. E. Freeman, surveyor..... | \$32 55 |
| J. D. Baker.....             | 11 31   |
| Jos. B. Ryder.....           | 2 10    |
| L. B. Blake.....             | 6 04    |
| J. D. Freeman.....           | 4 20    |
| W. G. Wheelden.....          | 8 48    |

\$64 68

## DISTRICT NO. 4, SOUTH.

|                                  |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Benjamin Ryder Jr. surveyor..... | \$10 01 |
|----------------------------------|---------|

## DISTRICT NO. 4, NORTH.

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Almon Rogers, surveyor..... | \$39 72 |
|-----------------------------|---------|

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Ezekiel Glass, surveyor..... | 26 48 |
| S. G. Nye.....               | 5 81  |
| Geo. E. Holmes.....          | 10 58 |
| E. H. Babcock.....           | 2 01  |
| J. B. Ryder.....             | 6 21  |
| C. H. Smith.....             | 5 97  |
| E. H. Freeman.....           | 8 40  |
| J. B. Ryder.....             | 17 09 |
| Wm. Seavey.....              | 6 86  |
| G. W. Jordan.....            | 2 89  |

\$92 30

## DISTRICT NO. 6, WEST.

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Chas. W. Atwood, surveyor..... | \$18 76 |
| L. M. Steele.....              | 22 37   |
| J. D. Freeman.....             | 3 30    |
| Geo. W. Freeman.....           | 5 66    |
| H. & L. Irish.....             | 6 48    |
| W. W. Ryder.....               | 2 24    |
| E. B. Johnson.....             | 6 35    |
| Scott & Severance.....         | 22 32   |
| Jacob Harding.....             | 2 52    |

\$90 00

## DISTRICT NO. 6 EAST.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| S. L. Rogers, surveyor.....               | \$16 76 |
| W. M. Baker, " for the Dist. in 1887-8... | 33 57   |
| Jos. B. Ryder.....                        | 7 00    |
| L. M. Steele.....                         | 5 98    |

\$63 31



## DISTRICT NO. 7, WEST.

|                                       |       |         |
|---------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| W. F. Eldridge, surveyor.....         | 60 15 |         |
| E. B. Luffkin, with road machine..... | 10 00 |         |
| " " and others.....                   | 25 00 |         |
|                                       |       | \$95 15 |

## DISTRICT NO. 7, EAST.

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| C. A. Severance, surveyor.....              | \$9 02 |          |
| John Elms, surveyor for the Dist. 1887..... | 38 28  |          |
| E. B. Lutkin, with road machine.....        | 22 86  |          |
| H. G. Field, labor and use of boat.....     | 12 35  |          |
| R. H. Dickey.....                           | 3 80   |          |
| H. G. Field, raising Long Bridge.....       | 100 00 |          |
|   |        | \$186 31 |

## DISTRICT NO. 8, EAST.

|                                     |         |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| M. E. Hatch, Surveyor for 1887..... | \$16 15 |         |
| L. Perkins, Surveyor.....           | 32 82   |         |
| Otis G. Washburn.....               | 2 50    |         |
| C. H. Chapman.....                  | 6 60    |         |
| Elisha Carr.....                    | 1 90    |         |
| Fred I. Hayden.....                 | 2 78    |         |
| Thos. Bowden.....                   | 7 96    |         |
| Frank A. Bowden.....                | 8 75    |         |
| F. I. Harriman.....                 | 1 75    |         |
| M. E. Hatch.....                    | 9 27    |         |
| Eben N. Nye.....                    | 3 00    |         |
|                                     |         | \$93 48 |

## DISTRICT NO. 8, WEST.

|  |        |         |
|--|--------|---------|
| Perry A. Fowler, Surveyor.....                 | \$9 10 |         |
| Augustus Chapin.....                           | 6 00   |         |
| J. E. Bowden.....                              | 4 50   |         |
| J. Quimby, Surveyor for the district, '87..... | 30 47  |         |
| A. H. Ryder.....                               | 1 92   |         |
|  |        | \$51 99 |

## DISTRICT NO. 9.

|   |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|
| Jos. W. Bowden, Surveyor for the dist.....      | \$47 00 |         |
| S. S. Harriman, Surveyor for the dist. '87..... | 32 03   |         |
| Charles Bowden.....                             | 2 25    |         |
|   |         | \$81 28 |

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

|                                  |         |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Herbert E. Thayer, surveyor..... | \$21 24 |         |
| C. D. Rollins.....               | 4 40    |         |
| H. S. Perkins.....               | 5 84    |         |
| Thos. A. Nye.....                | 5 25    |         |
| S. A. Thayer.....                | 18 27   |         |
| Jos. B. Ryder.....               | 5 25    |         |
| Chas. W. Atwood 2d.....          | 7 60    |         |
| Heirs of N. Souther.....         | 9 00    |         |
|                                  |         | \$76 85 |



## CORNER DISTRICT.

|  |        |         |
|--|--------|---------|
| Thos. H. Crowell, surveyor.....                                | \$5 32 |         |
| F. A. Linnell.....   | 2 03   |         |
| G. F. Pierce.....  | 5 95   |         |
| S. S. Smith.....   | 56     |         |
| S. D. Nickerson.....   | 2 24   |         |
| F. Rebaro.....   | 1 93   |         |
| F. H. Smith.....   | 4 45   |         |
| Michael Mosler.....  | 1 12   |         |
| W. G. Freeman.....   | 1 25   |         |
| <hr/>  |        | \$24 85 |
| S. G. Nye, labor with machine Dists. 4, 8, 10, etc.            | 13 45  |         |
| A. Rogers & Son, plank and timber for Dists.<br>3, 4, etc..... | 58 05  |         |
| <hr/>  |        | \$71 50 |

## AMOUNT RAISED BY THE TOWN, MARCH 1888.

|                                   |           |            |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| For schools.....                  | \$1500 00 |            |
| support of poor.....              | 700 00    |            |
| repairs of roads and bridges..... | 1500 00   |            |
| town charges.....                 | 500 00    |            |
| Free High School.....             | 80 00     |            |
| <hr/>                             |           | \$4,280 00 |
| State tax for 1888.....           | 1,120 71  |            |
| County tax for 1888.....          | 588 38    |            |
| <hr/>                             |           | \$1,709 09 |
| tax on dogs for 1888.....         | 75 00     |            |
| overlying in assessments.....     | 244 05    |            |
| <hr/>                             |           | \$319 05   |
| Total assessment for 1888.....    |           | 6308 14    |
| supplementary tax.....            |           | 15 00      |

## VALUATION FOR 1888.

|   |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Real estate residents taxed.....            | \$251,115 00 |              |
| Personal estate of residents taxed.....     | 74,970 00    |              |
| <hr/>                                       |              | \$326,085 00 |
| Real estate of non-residents taxed.....     | 30,435 00    |              |
| Personal estate of non-residents taxed..... | 500 00       |              |
| <hr/>                                       |              | \$30,935 00  |
| Total estates taxed...                      |              | \$357,020 00 |
| Number of polls, 353. Poll tax, \$3.00..... |              |              |
| Percentage \$1.45 on \$100.....             |              |              |

## ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Uncollected non-resident taxes.....                                | \$469 98 |          |
| Uncollected resident taxes.....                                    | 444 91   |          |
| Money in the treasury.....   | 683 42   |          |
| Due the town from D. Godfrey's estate.....                         | 730 21   |          |
| Paid by Mrs. Geo. H. Higgins from Geo. W.<br>Godfrey's estate..... | 21 86    |          |
| <hr/>  |          | 2,350 38 |



## APPORTIONMENT.

| No. of District. | No. of Scholars. | Apportioned. | Due from 1887. | Paid.      | Now Due. |
|------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|----------|
| 1                | 40               | \$216 00     | \$17 82        | \$219 06   | \$14 76  |
| 2                | 42               | 220 00       | 9 25           | 213 06     | 16 19    |
| 3                | 32               | 195 00       | 6 53           | 178 49     | 23 04    |
| 4                | 90               | 450 00       | 20 68          | 436 69     | 33 99    |
| 5                | 22               | 160 00       | 11 10          | 117 45     | 53 65    |
| 6                | 20               | 151 74       | 20 86          | 54 35      | 118 25   |
| 7                | 57               | 285 00       | 3 28           | 271 79     | 16 49    |
| 8                | 18               | 140 00       | 84 51          | 214 95     | 9 56     |
| 9                | 23               | 165 00       | 5 62           | 168 07     | 2 55     |
| 10               | 5                | 25 00        | 23 30          | 20 70      | 27 60    |
| Corner.          | 53               | 265 00       | 23 14          | 247 35     | 40 79    |
|                  | 402              | \$2,272 74   | \$226 09       | \$2,141 96 | \$356 87 |

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. BAKER,  
A. N. LUFKIN, }  
W. M. BAKER, }

Selectmen  
of  
Orrington.

ORRINGTON, ME., Feb. 28, 1889.



## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

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TO THE INHABITANTS OF ORRINGTON:

The Board of Health of this town are ready at any and all times to act in their capacity as sanitary guardians to preserve health and prevent sickness as far as lay in their power. We have not been called upon the past year to act as a board in any case. There have been no contagious diseases reported to the board. A few cases of typhoid fever have come under my observation and care taken to prevent its spread. It is earnestly hoped that any one knowing of cases of contagious diseases, or other causes detrimental to health, in any part of the town, will report the same at once, to the Secretary, or other members of the board, viz: Mr. A. N. Lufkin or Mr. Charles W. Rogers, that such steps may be taken as will prevent the spread of disease and insure the safety of others.

A. N. LUFKIN, Chairman,

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

Orrington, Feb. 27, 1889.



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE Supervisor of Schools

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

Summer and Fall terms.—Miss Nellie E. Chapin, teacher. The summer school was a profitable one and all appeared satisfied.

The fall school contained some large boys who proved a disturbing element throughout the term, especially so during the last half. Had they been turned over to the charity of the Supervisor, both teacher and school would have been the gainers thereby. Under such adverse circumstances Miss Chapin did all she could, and a portion of the school was much profited.

Winter Term.—Miss Florence R. Watters, teacher. The discipline of this school was especially "set up" and kept in tension during its continuance. This was done without official interference, but by a dignified authority and sympathetic aid to all who needed it. The examination was topical, close and satisfactory. The reading and Colburn classes should be mentioned for their success. The rehearsals were very good. This was a thoroughly good school.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

Summer and Fall terms.—Miss Allie M. Shaw, teacher. Satisfactory results were obtained here. Considerable irregularity, caused by sickness, prevailed during the summer. The first Arithmetic classes were well schooled in definitions, and all the exercises showed progress except the primary readers, who appeared rather backward for their age.

Winter term.—Miss Isetta I. Shaw, teacher. This was an easy-going school. The routine of work was placidly performed with little apparent anxiety or effort to attempt anything beyond, or in conjunction with it, when there was ample time for profitable exercises pertaining to it. The school may be called a fairly profitable one.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

The summer and winter terms were taught by Miss Bertie H.



Ginn. The first term was a good one; the instruction crisp and direct; the order good. There was a hesitancy in answering, which perhaps, would have been avoided by a fixed day for examination.

The second term opened with a good prospect of success, but disorder creeping in modified in large measure its profitableness, and it was only by the teachers' persistency, under these conditions, that the end was reached. Few words and well chosen are of great weight.

#### DISTRICT NO. 4.

Miss Blanche K. Bolton taught the summer and fall schools, which included the Primary and Grammar schools, and also taught the winter Primary school. Nothing but good can be said of them. The appearance at the closing examinations was highly creditable to scholars and teacher. The class in the Sixth Reader made special advancement, and it was here noticable how quickly a good reader impresses herself upon the class. The solutions in Mental Arithmetic were critical and thorough, and all who heard the exercises must have been satisfied with the good results attained.

Winter term, Grammar.—Mr. Chas. E. Rogers, teacher. This was Mr. Rogers first effort in our Public Schools, and it being in his own *habitat* increased the anxiety of friends as to his success, but his success was complete. The examination witnessed by many visitors was critical and well sustained by the classes, showing careful, direct and attentive application. It is refreshing to find a school emancipated even for a time, from the letter of the text book. Where all the classes did well, it is needless to give particulars. The order in the schools of this district was excellent, which will account in large part for their success.

#### DISTRICT NO. 5.

Summer and Winter terms. Miss Mittie C. Nickerson teacher. Classes in Geography, 2d and 3d Arithmetic were quite proficient for their age. The Reading classes improved much in the calling of words, but their rapidity was injurious to good reading. The schools were well disciplined, and accomplished all that could reasonably be expected.

#### DISTRICT NO. 6.

Miss Rose E. Bowden teacher. To say that Miss Bowden taught two successful terms here, is only to repeat what we have often said of her success as a teacher, both in this and other parts



of the town. The scholars here begin to have an assurance of knowing, and therefore are ready to manifest it in drill exercises, and at examinations. The school showed that it had been under a thoughtful and kindly management.

#### DISTRICT NO. 7.

Summer term. Miss Perdita L. Chapman, teacher. This was the teacher's fourth term in the district and the school prospered under her usual mild and affective manner; but we think it should have been worked up more nearly to its ability than it was. It was evident, however, that the scholars relied more upon themselves than in some former terms. The classes in the Fourth Reader, Denom. Numbers and Physics were noticeable.

Winter Term. Mr. A. N. Lufkin took charge of the school after the dismissal of a former teacher. His large experience and thorough knowledge of school affairs insured success from the start. The whole regulation of its domestic affairs was orderly, systematic and scholarly; and the results obtained warrant us in commending both teacher and scholars for their good work.

#### DISTRICT NO. 8.

Summer term.—Miss Winifred M. Roberts, teacher.

Winter term.—Mrs. A. H. McKeen, teacher. Though different in name the *personnel* was the same in both schools. We thought the former term should not have been continued with so few pupils, and so advised, but our opinion was over-ruled. The latter term was larger and more profitable. Order and cleanliness were carefully observed; in fact the teacher had no crayons with which to make dirt. All the scholars did well.

#### DISTRICT NO. 9.

Summer term.—Miss Jennie E. Robinson, teacher. Quite good work was done without seeming effort. More promptness was desirable, but a cautious regard to method and result was steadily kept in view.

Fall term. Miss Julia C. Smith, Teacher. The long experience of the teacher gave her an advantage in keeping a good school. It was well taught and the various subjects of the recitations were tersely enlarged upon with much profit. The oral instruction, introduced without loss of time, proved interesting and profitable.

Winter term. Miss Lena H. Smith, Teacher. This was also a very good school. The attendance was good till the last two weeks, when severe colds kept several at home. Two scholars



are well advanced and should look towards a teachers' vocation. Mental and Written Arithmetic were handled with much interest and profit.

#### CORNER DISTRICT.

Summer term.—Miss Jennie A. Rowleston, teacher. To keep this school in comfortable order required more executive ability than the teacher possessed, she was physically competent to manage but her tender sympathies obtained the mastery and the school greatly suffered in consequence.

Fall term.—Miss Rose E. Bowden, teacher. Of course, Miss Bowden at once brought order out of chaos and the school assumed an orderly behavior. The primary scholars read with unusual care, showing that they had been patiently drilled. All branches were carefully and profitably taught.

Winter term. Mr. Philip E. Nickerson teacher. This was Mr. Nickerson's first term, and was of considerable profit, especially in written work. The order at first was quite objectionable but improved as the term progressed, and the close found it in good condition. We are sorry that mental work was quite ignored.

The High School was taught by Mr. Walter W. Poor, of Sebago, Me., who came here from Bowdoin College highly recommended as a scholar, and his success in his own town commended him as a teacher. His instruction was methodic and thorough; and, in some branches, unusually successful; but the lack of good discipline was annoying and injurious. It is hard for many teachers to comprehend that a *High School* should be as well governed as our common schools. The boys in attendance were younger than usual at this school, which may be one reason for the disorder, and another reason is that teachers seem to think that a High School is a law unto itself, which experience proves to be a grave mistake.



## 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                | 7½                         | 30                             | 26                            | \$5 00          | \$2 00          | 1                | 11                         | 25                             | 20                            | \$5 75          | \$2 25          |
| 2                | 8                          | 18                             | 14                            | 5 00            | 2 35            | 2                | 11                         | 17                             | 14                            | 4 50            | 3 00            |
| 3                | 8                          | 18                             | 16                            | 4 75            | 2 00            | 3                | 12                         | 23                             | 17                            | 5 50            | 3 00            |
| 4                | 6                          | 41                             | 36                            | 8 00            | 2 00            | 4*               | 12                         | 22                             | 19                            | 9 50            | 3 00            |
| 5                | 8                          | 12                             | 10                            | 3 00            | 2 00            | 4†               | 12                         | 30                             | 27                            | 6 50            | 2 25            |
| 6                | 8                          | 10                             | 9                             | 4 25            | 1 75            | 5                | 12                         | 14                             | 11                            | 3 50            | 2 00            |
| 7                | 10                         | 28                             | 24                            | 6 50            | 1 00            | 6                | 12                         | 15                             | 12                            | 5 50            | 2 00            |
| 8                | 7½                         | 5                              | 4                             | 2 50            | 2 00            | 7                | 12                         | 31                             | 30                            | 7 50            | 2 50            |
| 9                | 8                          | 12                             | 11                            | 2 50            | 2 00            | 8                | 13                         | 11                             | 10                            | 4 25            | 2 50            |
| Corner           | 8                          | 31                             | 23                            | 5 00            | 2 50            | 9                | 13                         | 21                             | 19                            | 6 00            | 2 00            |
|                  |                            |                                |                               |                 |                 | Corner           | 10                         | 28                             | 24                            | 5 75            | 3 00            |

## FALL SCHOOLS.

|   |    |    |    |        |        |        |    |    |    |        |        |
|---|----|----|----|--------|--------|--------|----|----|----|--------|--------|
| 1 | 8½ | 28 | 23 | \$5 00 | \$2 00 | 9      | 6  | 13 | 12 | \$4 00 | \$1 87 |
| 2 | 7  | 16 | 15 | 5 00   | 2 35   | Corner | 9  | 21 | 16 | 5 50   | 2 00   |
| 4 | 8  | 51 | 48 | 8 00   | 2 00   | High   | 10 | 34 | 28 | 9 50   | 3 00   |

\*Grammar.

†Primary.

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| Number of scholars in Town,                             | 402     |
| “ “ attending summer schools,                           | 205     |
| “ “ “ fall “  | 163     |
| “ “ “ winter “  | 237     |
| Average number “ summer “                               | 173     |
| “ “ “ fall “  | 142     |
| “ “ “ winter “  | 203     |
| “ length of summer schools in weeks,                    | 7.9     |
| “ “ fall “ “  | 8.1     |
| “ “ “ winter “ “  | 11.8    |
| “ “ of schools in weeks for the year,                   | 9.3     |
| “ wages of female teachers per week exclusive of board, | \$5.03  |
| “ wages of male teachers per month exclusive of board,  | \$32.25 |
| “ price of board per week,                              | \$2.23  |



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| Per cent. of average attendance in summer to number of scholars in Town, | .430 |
| Per cent. of average attendance in winter to number of scholars in Town. | .505 |
| Average per cent. of attendance for the year,                            | .468 |

Our schools have not been so uniformly good as they were last year. There has been one total and two partial failures; and these were the result of defective government. Not for years have we had to labor so hard with teachers to maintain order in the school room; urging and even threatening that unless they did so they must abandon the school. This was an unpleasant duty for us to do and irritating to them to bear, but the sequel proved its wisdom in more cases than one.

How is it possible for school officers to maintain their duty when facts like the following so often come to us: A mother told her son that if he was punished at school to come home. He was punished, went home and staid there. This breaking down of school authority by parental influence is doubly criminal; it is sad enough for a child to rebel against rightful authority, but when the parent condones the act it is pitiful indeed and should be borne "more in sorrow than in anger."

We are pleased to note the extensive repairs on the school house in district No. 1; Patent folding Globe seats have replaced the old ones, the ceiling raised, and it has been repainted outside and inside. In No. 6, extensive repairs have been made making it more presentable and comfortable. On the whole our school rooms, though somewhat antiquated in arrangement, are warm and convenient and answer the purpose for which they were made.

We think School Agents should give special care to the sanitary condition of our school houses; that the lots are properly drained, the outhouses duly cleansed and supplied with fresh earth, and that no refuse matter be deposited near them.

In district No. 2, the wood room is in the basement of the school house, which is entered from the outside by a door through the foundation wall. Of course the scholars have free access to this room, and they make such use of it as their convenience calls



for which is not always a proper one; and in the warm days of summer the odors escaping therefrom enter the school room through the floor and endanger health. The occupants would not detect it, being so slight; but the fact was forced upon us one very warm day last summer when visiting the school. We recommend that the basement be cleaned out, thoroughly fumigated, the door stoned up and a convenient wood house built; and, as a wise precaution against disease, that the Board of Health be instructed to visit the school houses and their immediate surroundings and report their sanitary condition at the next annual meeting.

ORRINGTON, March 2, 1889.

Respectfully submitted,

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