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REPORT OF THE  
SELECTMEN, TREASURER  
AND  
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS  
OF THE  
**Town of Orrington,**  
For the Year 1894-95.



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# WARRANT.

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To JOSIAH D. HINDS, a Constable of 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 in 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 Supervisor 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, and defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

Eighth.—To determine what way the town will adopt for the repairs of its highways the ensuing year and establish the price of labor thereon.

Ninth.—To see if the town will have one or more Free High Schools the present year, and raise money for that purpose.

Tenth.—By petition of J. D. Hinds and twenty-eight others, to see if the town will build a suitable School House in District No. 4, on the lot owned by the town, and known as the White School House Lot, and grant and raise money for the same; also to see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the old White School House in District No. 4.

Eleventh.—To see if the town will allow A. G. Dole to build a sidewalk from his house to Snow's Corner.



Twelfth.—To see if the town will grant and raise twenty-five dollars to gravel the sidewalk from Snow's Corner to Brewer line.

Thirteenth.—By petition of George A. Lambert and forty-nine others, to see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from the Post Office in East Orrington to Brewer line via the stream road and raise money for that purpose.

Fourteenth.—(By request.) To see if the town will furnish material for building a permanent stage in the Town Hall, across the east end, and raise money for the same; the labor to be done without expense to the town.

Fifteenth.—To see if the town will discontinue the town road from Wm. L. Quin's gate near his south line, easterly to the old Rogers place, so called.

Sixteenth.—(By request.) To see if the town will vote to have a part of the road changed near Pierce's Crossing, in District No. 2, to go west of the school house to avoid a bad hill.

Seventeenth.—To fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for 1895.

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

Nineteenth.—To see if the town will appoint an administrator on the John Massey Estate.

Twentieth.—To see if the town will discontinue a part of the town way near A. F. Smith, from the R. R. crossing to the Union Ice Co.'s land.

Twenty-first.—To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Municipal Officers of said town.

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. 1895.

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



# ANNUAL REPORT.

ALBERT G. DOLE,

In account with the TOWN OF ORRINGTON.

February 26th, 1894.

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To uncollected non-resident taxes for '92 & 3,	\$523 48	
uncollected resident taxes for '92 & 3,	252 52	
4 notes against W. F. Knox of \$50 each,	200 00	
cash in Treasury,	289 87	
		<u>\$1,265 87</u>

## MONEY RAISED BY THE TOWN, MARCH 12, 1894.

For support of schools,	\$1,300 00	
support of poor,	700 00	
repair of roads and bridges,	2,000 00	
the pay of town officers,	500 00	
To purchase and repair of school houses,	4,474 00	
pay Collector of Taxes for 1894,	100 00	
For memorial purposes,	50 00	
support of one high school,	75 00	
building sidewalk,	75 00	
State tax for 1894,	1,008 17	
County tax for 1894,	267 41	
To cash paid on notes by W. F. Knox		
note and interest,	62 00	
overlying in assessments,	340 83	
dog license refunded for 1893,	58 06	
school fund and mill tax, 1894,	860 69	
cash from A. M. Harriman for books sold,	16	
railroad and telegraph tax,	9 00	
cash for rent of town house and stable,	39 00	
		<u>\$13,185 19</u>
Rebate on school property,	\$4,474 00	
One note of Knox paid and charged above	50 00	
		<u>\$4,524 00</u>
		<u>\$8,661 19</u>



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By pay of town officers,	\$583 58
support of poor,	1,146 92
For repairs of roads and bridges,	1,655 98
support of schools,	2,196 90
repairs on school houses,	37 71
miscellaneous expenses,	1,792 98
By uncollected non-resident tax,	615 22
uncollected resident tax,	121 71
three notes of Wm. F. Knox, \$50 each,	150 00
money in treasury,	360 19
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	\$8,661 19

## PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

J. B. Bartlett, for appraising school district property,	\$ 5 00
W. M. Baker, for appraising school district property,	3 00
J. D. Baker, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor and R. Com.,	109 25
N. A. Nickerson, the same,	72 55
A. M. Harriman, the same,	66 75
A. M. Harriman, Supervisor of Schools 1893, bal. due,	60 00
A. G. Dole, Town Treasurer,	40 00
John E. Bowden, Collector of Taxes,	100 00
Heirs of J. B. Bartlett, Supervisor of Schools,	66 46
J. D. Hinds, Con., warning town meetings, enforcing dog law, care of tramps, etc.,	11 50
G. G. Hodgdon, Ballot Clerk, 1894,	2 00
J. D. Hodgdon, Ballot Clerk, 1894,	2 00
W. M. Baker, Ballot Clerk, 1894,	2 00
J. W. Phillips, Supervisor, in part,	43 07
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	\$583 58

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

Wm. & F. A. Dillingham, supplies to J. Massey,	\$ 3 80
Insane Hospital, support of Mrs. Minetta Nickerson,	112 65
Insane Hospital, support of H. W. Smith,	68 96
Town of Winterport, support of H. W. Smith,	33 51



W. F. Knox, support and care of George Harvey for 1893 and 1894,	62.00
W. F. Knox, support of Geo. Harvey 1894 and 1895,	50.00
E. P. Richardson, support of E. Appleton,	145.00
Kate A. Woodman, support of F. B. Smith,	179.00
Kate A. Woodman, support of J. L. Brown,	66.00
L. L. Ring, support and care of Lucretia Kenney,	208.90
Town of Atkinson, care of Mrs. R. Perkins,	40.00
J. B. Bartlett, support and care of John Massey,	49.30
B. Ryder, for care of J. Massey,	29.50
David H. Brown, board of J. L. Brown,	2.00
Wilber G. Freeman, for burial expenses of J. Massey,	4.00
E. W. Rogers, clothing for Geo. Harvey,	14.72
E. W. Rogers, clothing for F. B. Smith,	1.25
E. W. Rogers, clothing for E. Appleton,	3.08
E. W. Rogers, clothing for Kinney Stubbs,	2.50
Mrs. A. L. Howard, support of Mrs. Salome Appleton,	15.00
Abel Hunt, casket, robe, etc., for F. B. Smith,	20.00
Warren Atwood, express on casket,	50
Wm. Stubbs, for wood for J. Massey,	75
Dr. G. B. Tibbetts, medical attendance for F. B. Smith,	15.00
“ “ “ “ J. Massey,	12.00
“ “ “ “ Geo. Harvey,	1.50
Dr. C. P. Thomas, medical attendance for Mrs. Kenney,	3.00
Dr. L. H. Wheeler, medical attendance for F. B. Smith,	3.00
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	\$1,146.92

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

S. A. Thayer and others, labor on road, 1893-4,	\$42.05
J. E. Witham “ “ “ 1893-4,	59.73
E. A. Baker “ “ “ 1893-4,	51.21
Wm. Seavey & Jourdan, “ “ 1893-4,	17.49
J. E. Bowden, Com., and others, shoveling snow, 1893-4,	200.00
J. E. Bowden, Com., for labor on the roads, winter of 1893-4,	200.00
H. W. Hodgdon, labor on the road, 1894,	4.35



Frank A. Bowden, labor on the roads with team,	89 00
H. G. Field, " " "	31 00
J. S. Spratt, " " "	3 75
M. G. Harriman, " " "	12 00
J. E. Bowden and others, labor on road, winter and spring of 1894,	392 59
J. D. Hodgdon, labor on the road, 1894,	9 70
S. L. Rogers, " " " "	35 50
C. W. Atwood, " " " "	12 00
E. J. Jameson, labor on the road with horses, 1894,	46 85
M. Smith, labor on the road, 1894,	4 12
Henry Irish, " " "	3 00
E. E. Johnson, " " "	1 50
C. W. Freeman, " " "	2 25
V. P. Hincks, " " "	4 05
A. M. Harriman, labor on roads and bridges with horses,	67 00
G. A. Lambert, for spikes, bolts, etc., for bridge,	75
N. P. Marston, labor on road,	1 35
G. G. Hodgdon, labor on road with horses, 1894,	11 35
Fred S. Snow, labor on road, 1894,	3 00
John Elmes, " " "	7 49
W. F. Eldridge, " " "	3 00
L. B. Blake, " " "	5 37
A. E. Freeman, " " "	6 00
C. W. Atwood, labor on road and logs for culvert,	8 75
C. W. Smith, labor on road, 1894,	3 45
S. S. Harriman and boy, labor on roads,	9 05
Herbert E. Thayer, labor on roads,	10 50
W. Appleton, labor on roads,	1 50
D. Sargent's Sons, lumber for bridge at E. Orrington,	53 53
A. M. Harriman and others, labor and material on road,	26 21
E. B. Lufkin, labor on road with horses,	7 87
David Scott, labor on road,	6 00
L. M. Steel, " " "	6 60
C. W. Atwood, " " "	4 65
M. H. Smith, " " "	2 70



L. H. Smith, labor on roads,	3 00
W.G. Freeman, " "	1 13
Almon Rogers, labor on road and lumber, 1894,	7 25
J. W. Bowden & Son, labor on road, 1894,	6 00
H. H. Wood, labor on road,	1 62
H. H. Wood and D. Hoxie, labor on road,	4 50
John E. Bowden, cash paid for labor on road, 1893-4,	11 04
R. H. Dickey, labor on road, 1894,	1 05
H. P. Marston, " " "	1 00
J. G. Enman, " " "	5 25
G. G. & J. D. Hodgdon for building road to land of Union Ice Co.,	70 00
G. A. Coleman, labor on sidewalk at North Orrington,	75 88
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	\$1,655 98

#### MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Wm. & F. A. Dillingham, paper and ink,	\$ 24
S. H. Woodbury, stove pipe for town house,	7 36
T. B. Mosher, town books,	2 25
T. W. Burr for printing town reports for 1893-1894,	26 00
Appleton & Chaplin, counsel for 1893,	16 00
J. B. Bartlett, Supt., school books and table,	13 11
Dr. S. H. Wheeler, reporting births and deaths, 1892-3,	3 75
J. B. Bartlett, 50 boxes crayons,	4 00
J. B. Bartlett, geographies for the town,	9 10
Tyler & Conant, repairs on road machine,	8 15
David Bowker, repair of chairs,	1 50
Grand Army for memorial purposes,	15 00
G. A. Lambert for repairs and hauling road machine to Orrington Corner,	2 50
Reg. of Deeds at Ellsworth, mortgage foreclosure,	1 10
C. H. Chapman, furnishing water tub, 1893,	2 00
Mrs. Annis for board and care of Mrs. Knox, 6 mos.,	25 00
J. E. Smith, abatement of poll tax, 1893,	3 00
J. S. Spratt, board and care of Mrs. Knox,	2 00
Dr. G. B. Tibbetts for vaccinating 171 people in town,	65 30
A. E. Freeman, labor in So. Orrington cemetery,	6 75



E. A. Baker, land damage for road,	100 00
N. P. Marston, abatement of poll tax, 1894,	3 00
S. L. Rogers, Sexton, cutting grass & bushes in cemetery,	3 00
E. W. Rogers for paper and ink of town,	77
C. W. Freeman, survey of road to Union Ice Co. land,	1 00
D. Bugbee & Co., town books and express,	7 30
J. W. Phillips, school books,	19 32
E. A. Hincks, abatement of tax on property destroyed by fire,	7 56
J. E. Bowden, Collector, abatement of taxes, 1894,	61 01
J. D. Baker, stamps, stationery and express bills,	3 75
T. H. Crowell, wood and care of town house,	5 00
N. A. Nickerson, repairs on town stable,	2 00
J. W. Phillips, postage, stationery and express,	2 79
A. G. Dole, Treasurer, interest paid on loans,	30 82
J. E. Bowden, Collector, abatement of taxes, 1893,	20 97
W. Z. Clayton, casket for Calvin Wentworth,	35 00
A. G. Dole, Treasurer, State and County tax,	1,275 58
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	\$1,802 58

AMOUNT RAISED BY THE TOWN, MARCH 12, 1894.

For support of schools,	\$1,300 00
support of poor,	700 00
repairs of roads and bridges,	2,000 00
pay of town officers,	500 00
purchase of school property,	4,474 00
To pay Collector of Taxes, 1894,	100 00
For memorial purposes,	50 00
support of high school,	75 00
building sidewalk North Orrington,	75 00
State tax, 1894,	1,008 17
County tax, 1894,	267 41
overlying in assessments,	340 83
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Total assessment for 1894,	\$10,890 41
By rebate to the tax payers for school property taken,	4,475 74
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	\$6,414 67



## VALUATION FOR 1894.

Real estate of residents taxed,	\$250,600 00	
Personal estate of residents taxed,	74,935 00	
	<hr/>	\$325,535 00
Real estate of non-residents taxed,	\$51,865 00	
Personal estate of non-residents taxed,	1,375 00	
	<hr/>	53,240 00
Total estates taxed,		<hr/>
		\$378,775 00

Number of polls, 348. Poll tax, \$3.00.

Percentage, \$2.60 on \$100.

## ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Uncollected non-resident taxes,	\$615 22	
Uncollected resident taxes,	121 71	
Money in treasury,	360 19	
Three notes of W. F. Knox,	150 00	
Due from John Massey's estate,	105 80	
Due from John L. Brown's estate,	66 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,418 92

Respectfully submitted.

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

ORRINGTON, Feb. 28, 1895.



# REPORT

## OF THE

### Supervisor of Schools.

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In this report it must be borne in mind that reference is made only to the fall and winter schools, the summer schools having been under the supervision of my predecessor; but where the same teacher was retained through the year these remarks, of course, will apply incidentally.

#### District No. 1.

Miss Marcia E. Lunt taught in this district five successive terms, resigning at the close of the Fall term. The school did well under her conscientious instruction.

She was followed in the Winter term by Miss Fannie T. Tolman, a graduate of Farmington Normal School and well qualified for her position; but her method, being quite different from the former teacher, caused some friction in discipline for a time. This was overcome, however, and a good degree of success was obtained.

#### District No. 2.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Julia C. Smith. The Fall term was continued by her three weeks, when sickness compelled her resignation, much to the regret of the whole school. Miss Maud W. Brewer finished the term with great profit to the school.

Miss Lizzie M. Nickerson cared for the Winter term with her usual interest, which was profitably appreciated by her scholars. It was gratifying to those present at the examination to observe their undivided attention.



**District No. 3.**

Miss Grace B. Reed. It is questionable if a more suitable teacher for this school can be obtained than Miss Reed. During the year it has grown in scholarship that is commendable. Thorough and practical has been the constant aim of both parties, teacher and scholars.

**District No. 4.**

Summer and Fall terms. Miss Bessie A. McGraw, teacher. These were full schools and required watchful effort to govern and faithful effort to instruct. Miss McGraw succeeded in both directions, and satisfactory work appeared to have been done.

Winter term. Mr. F. A. Hobbs came from Orono College well recommended and brought with himself ample qualifications to instruct, but a little imprudence near the beginning of the term caused some diversity of opinion which was hurtful to the school. This, however, gradually wore away and the older scholars acquitted themselves well at the close of the term. The teachers in this district were greatly handicapped by the crowded and inconvenient school room.

**District No. 5.**

Miss Lois A. Lethers taught the Summer and Fall terms and Miss Josephine King the Winter term. These schools passed pleasantly and profitably to the few attending. A noticeable improvement in reading was made in the latter term.

**District No. 6.**

Miss Alice M. Dodge, teacher. Miss Dodge's retiring manner gives a first impression of inefficiency, but a further acquaintance with her work in the school room shows her to be a very persistent body in securing desirable work.

**District No. 7.**

Miss Jennie E. Crowell was teacher the first two terms. She labored diligently for her pupils, who made good attainment under her instruction. A class in geography was pleasantly taught somewhat after the Kindergarten method.



Winter term. Mr. F. G. Marshall, teacher. The school was greatly profited in all the branches taught. A goodly number of large scholars attended who were devoted to study and exemplary in conduct. This proved a very successful term

#### District No. 8.

Summer term. Miss Geneva H. Richardson, teacher.

Fall term. Miss Hattie M. Soper, teacher. Miss Soper was well prepared for her work and efficient in its execution. The scholars soon caught her enthusiasm and labored heartily to their own great profit.

The Winter term was in the care of Miss Bessie A. McGraw, who carried on the good work to the acceptance of all concerned. There are two or three very good scholars in this school.

#### District No. 9.

Summer term. Miss Lucy Mörgrage, teacher.

Fall term. Miss Lizzie M. Nickerson taught this school with her usual good success.

Winter term. Miss Lottie E. Mossler, in this, her first term, commended herself as a teacher. During this session and the preceding one the scholars were orderly and accomplished all that could reasonably be required of them.

#### Corner District.

Summer term. Mr. Henry C. Wright, teacher.

The Winter term was also taught by Mr. Wright. Among the many excellencies of this school was a critical study of English grammar, especially in its analytical and syntactical parts. Arithmetic received a scholarly attention.

#### High School.

The town did wisely in changing the location of this school from the Town house to the Corner school house. It was a more comfortable place in every respect. Mr. Wright seemed to intensify his interest towards the advancement of his pupils and they reciprocated by a studious, manly and deferential deportment. Several students attended to drawing and a few to Latin. The success of this school should enlist the town in its annual support.



## STATISTICS.

## SUMMER SCHOOLS.

## FALL SCHOOLS.

No.	Length in Weeks.	No. Registered.	Average Attendance.	Wages per Week.	No.	Length in Weeks.	No. Registered.	Average Attendance.	Wages per Week.
1	9	23	19	\$6 50	1	9	22	19	\$7 00
2	9	24	20	8 00	2	9	37	33	8 00
3	9	19	17	6 00	3	9	20	18	6 50
4	9	32	27	8 00	4	9	31	27	8 50
5	9	16	9	5 50	5	9	14	9	5 50
6	9	16	11	5 50	6	9	17	12	6 00
7	9	27	24	7 00	7	9	22	19	7 50
8	9	9	8	5 50	8	9	11	10	7 50
9	9	9	8	5 50	9	9	9	8	7 00
Corner	9	29	24	10 00	High	10	21	16	15 00

## WINTER SCHOOLS.

1	9	20	16	\$8 00	6	9	18	14	\$6 50
2	9	29	25	8 00	7	9	26	21	10 00
3	9	16	14	7 00	8	9	10	9	6 50
4	9	36	28	10 00	9	9	13	10	6 00
5	9	8	7	6 00	Corn'r	10	30	26	10 00

Number of scholars in town.....	344
Number registered in Summer schools.....	204
Average registered in Summer schools.....	167
Number registered in Fall schools.....	204
Average registered in Fall schools.....	171
Number registered in Winter schools.....	206
Average registered in Winter schools.....	170
Number of terms of school.....	30
Average length of term, in weeks.....	9.2
Average wages per week of female teachers, including board.....	\$6.76
Average wages per week of male teachers, including board.....	\$11.00
Per cent. of Summer attendance.....	.593
Per cent. of average Summer attendance.....	.818
Per cent. of Fall attendance.....	.593
Per cent. of average Fall attendance.....	.838
Per cent. of Winter attendance.....	.600
Per cent. of average Winter attendance.....	.824
Per cent. of attendance for the year.....	.595
Per cent. of average attendance for the year.....	.810



In discharging the duties of this office I have endeavored to carry out the wishes of the School Committee as expressed at its several meetings and particularly to fulfill the wishes and contracts of the former incumbent of the office, Capt. Jas. B. Bartlett. Several teachers were either positively or conditionally engaged for the schools and their wages fixed. Agreements for wood, at fixed rates, had been made; also certain repairs; all of which I considered just claims and approved.

The town at its last annual meeting neglected to appropriate money for school books and the sum of nearly fifty dollars for that purpose had to be drawn from the school money. This is the fifth year since the introduction of free text books and most of the spellers and lower readers are nearly worn out and must be replaced. I recommend the sum of one hundred dollars for this purpose.

Only such repairs have been made as seemed absolutely necessary; further repairs are very much needed, such as grading, painting, the thorough overhauling or rebuilding of outhouses and the incidental repairs of school rooms. Under the present law this becomes the direct duty of the town and it seems proper that an appropriation for this purpose be made.

In general our schools have been quiet and prosperous, the attendance good, the qualifications of teachers ample and the interest of parents in the scholarly attainments of their children has been cordially manifested.

The care of school books and their proper distribution is quite a burden to teachers and to the Supervisor; for as new classes are formed from term to term, the special books required for such classes must often be sought in other districts. In this way the greater part of the books are kept in constant use and their durability quite limited. It is a matter of regret that so much indifference is shown in the care of these books. It seems, however, to be a local disorder confined principally to a couple of districts.

In closing this brief report you will, I feel assured, unite with me in expressing the deep interest manifested by your late supervisor in all that pertained to the advancement of our common



schools. Trained in their rigorous discipline of a generation ago, Capt. Bartlett loved good order, methodical arrangement and an implicit obedience to law. Long habituated to command on ship-board he allowed the school teacher to "tread the quarter-deck" with like authority. Somewhat in contrast to this sterner mood, however, he was tender of heart, sympathetic and kindly benevolent; always ready to direct the industrious, relieve the needy and encourage the plodding student; an upright citizen who cordially embraced the prosperity of his native town. So far as I can learn, he is the second town officer to die in the discharge of his official duties since the organization of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WYMAN PHILLIPS,  
Supervisor.

ORRINGTON, March 1, 1895.











