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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF ORRINGTON

AND THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,

FOR THE YEAR 1872—1873.



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1873.

**William H. Dole, Treasurer, in account with the
town of Orrington.**

<i>Dr.</i>	
To Cash in Treasury, last settlement,	\$1153.65
" Amount of State bonds,	7000.00
" Uncollected Resident Tax, 1869,	77.42
" " " " 1870,	251.67
" " Non-resident, 1871,	216.20
" Amount raised for the Poor,	800.00
" " " " Town charges,	600.00
" " " " Roads and Bridges,	2500.00
" " of Dog Tax,	82.00
" Overlayings in assessment,	323.93
" Supplementary Tax,	17.62
" Cash of Robert Blaisdell,	2.00
" " " Bucksport, Paupers,	16.96
" " " J. Wyman Phillips, Guardian of Zaccheus Thayer,	70.43
" Interest on State bonds,	420.00
" Cash of Martin Sheehan,	50.00
" Amount received on Fowler & Atwood's note,	4.72
" " due " " " " " "	15.28
" A. L. Conant's Note,	10.50
" Martin Sheehan's Notes,	250.00

\$13,862.38

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By paid Town Officers,	\$421.64
" " Support of Poor,	851.29
" " Miscellaneous expenses,	317.36
" " for Roads and Bridges,	2604.86
" Interest on School Fund,	69.42
" Abatements for 1872,	100.28
" " " 1871,	9.00
" Interest on Loans	421.87
" Notes paid,	900.00
" Uncollected Resident Tax, 1869,	77.42
" " " " 1870,	201.35
" " " " 1872,	141.53
" " Non-resident Tax, 1871,	4.00
" " " " 1872,	273.87
" Balance A. L. Conant's Note,	10.50
" " Fowler & Atwood's Note,	15.28
" Martin Sheehan's Notes,	250.00
" State Bonds,	7000.00
" Cash in Treasury,	192.71

\$13,862.38

Pay of Town Officers.

George E. Chapin, Supervisor,	\$72,55
Charles Baker, Constable,	8,50
William H. Dole, Treasurer,	40,00
J. Wyman Phillips, Selectman, Assessor, and } Overseer of Poor,	98,94
J. D. Baker, do. do.	56,65
W. M. Baker, do. do.	47,00
Rawson Lufkin, Collector,	98,00
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	\$421,64

Miscellaneous Expenses.

Joseph Doane, Counterfeit money,	10,00
E. N. Fowler, circulating Remonstrance,	5,12
Chas. M. Rogers, " "	7,50
E. N. Fowler, care of Town House,	2,10
David Crowell, " " " "	5,00
G. G. Ryder, abatement, 1871,	3,46
James Freeman, Map,	3,00
" " surveying roads,	3,75
S. S. Smith & Son, printing reports,	24,00
J. B. Pollard, vaccinating town,	50,00
J. D. Baker, recording Births and Deaths,	4,80
Paid costs of Writ,	5,89
Rawson Lufkin, injury to Horse,	50,00
Prince Higgins, " " "	14,00
Thomas Rogers, " to Sleigh,	25,00
Samuel B. Snow, " to Carriage,	2,50
D. Bugbee & Co., Books and Stationery,	15,30
W. M. Baker, repairing Grave Yard Fence,	9,65
John King, pauper case,	3,00
J. Wyman Phillips, Stamps and Stationery,	4,09
Horace Marston, repairs on Cemetery,	1,50
W. M. Baker, boundary stones,	5,00
J. N. Wheelden, watering trough,	3,00
Peters & Wilson, counsel,	50,00
J. Wyman Phillips' expenses to Oldtown,	3,70
W. H. Dole, selling Smith Farm,	3,00
" Stamps and loaning money,	3,00
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	\$317,36

Roads and Bridges.

District No. 1. Cyprian Snow,	Surveyor,	\$379,79
" No. 2. Enoch L. Fowler, and others,	"	221,22
" No. 3. Nathan A. Nickerson,	"	177,30
" No. 4. Almon Rogers,	} Surveyors,	151,63
William Thayer,		61,47
" No. 5. George W. Brown, 2d,	"	220,74
" No. 6. Charles H. Jordan,	} "	77,35
Charles W. Freeman,		263,76
" No. 7. Jairus Ware,	} "	77,70
Emery B. Lufkin,		229,15
" No. 8. Thomas Bowden,	} "	170,30
Warren N. Atwood,		50,03
" No. 9. Albion Bowden,	"	138,03
" No. 10. William Ames,	} "	72,22
Newell N. Wood,		35,26
Corner, Ezekiel N. Fowler,	"	147,61
Building Cemetery Road,		53,95
Plank for Bridges,		77,35
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		\$2604,86

Valuation for 1872.

Real Estate of Residents,	235,495
Personal " " "	112,590
Estate of Non-residents,	16,410
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Total Estates,	\$364,495

408 Polls. Poll tax \$3,00.

Percentage \$2,15 on \$100.

Amount raised by the Town, March, 1872,	\$5900,00
" of Dog tax,	82,00
" " Overlayings in Assessments,	323,93
" " County Tax,	529,79
" " State "	2309,24
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\$9144,96	

Support of Poor.

Mrs. Miriam Smith,	\$63,14
Mrs. Charlotte Barnes,	100,75
Zaccheus Thayer,	93,75
Mrs. Clara Smith,	110,00
Richard Ryder,	114,86
Mrs. Margaret Kent,	81,25
Mrs. S. A. Freeman,	13,71
Elisha Higgins,	72,00
Peter Field,	37,58
George Perkins,	50,50
Joseph Smith,	38,63
Angeline Downs,	35,87
George Harvey, pair boots,	4,00
Medicine and Attendance,	35,25
	<hr/> \$851,29
Received from Bucksport,	16,96
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Cost of Poor,	\$834,33

Assets of the Town.

Amasa L. Conant's Note,	\$10,50
Fowler & Atwood's "	15,28
Uncollected Resident Tax for 1869,	77,42
" " " " " 1870,	201,35
" " " " " 1872,	141,53
" " Non-resident Tax for 1871,	4,00
" " " " " 1872,	273,87
Martin Sheehan's Notes,	250,00
State Bonds,	7000,00
Cash in the Treasury,	192,71
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	\$8166,66

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding Notes,	\$5700,00
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Balance in favor of the Town,	\$2466,66

School Fund.

Balance due the Districts, March 4, 1872,	730,94
Amount raised by the Town,	2000,00
Interest on School Fund,	69,42
Amount received from State,	220,78
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	\$3021,14

Apportionment.

District.	No. of Scholars.	Apportioned.	Due from 1871.	Paid.	Now Due.
No. 1	54	\$190.08	Town, 26	\$70.17	\$119.91
No. 2	64	225.28	\$46.35	248.34	23.29
No. 3	55	193.60	17.17	209.07	1.70
No. 4	152	535.04	218.08	375.55	377.57
No. 5	17	111.81	31.97	87.74	24.07
No. 6	48	168.96	57.16	159.13	66.99
No. 7	127	447.04	98.99	428.82	117.21
No. 8	35	123.20	5.22	128.42	
No. 9	20	87.44	11.60	88.30	10.74
No. 10	15	77.80	104.14	172.26	9.68
Corner.	46	161.92	140.52	252.11	50.33
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	633	\$2322.17	\$731.20	\$2219.91	\$801.49

J. WYMAN PHILLIPS, } Selectmen
 J. D. BAKER, } of
 W. M. BAKER, } Orrington.

ORRINGTON, March 1, 1873.

WARRANT.

To CHARLES BAKER, a Constable of the town of ORRINGTON, or any one of the Constables of said Town 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 said Town of Orrington, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said Town, on Monday the 10th day of March next, at 10 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 choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

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

SEVENTH. To see if the town will tax Dogs.

EIGHTH. To see if the town will pay Peter C. Baker twenty-five dollars, and take his receipt from the Farmers National Bank for the same; it being for money on American Bank, Hallowell, taken while Collector of taxes, and before the failure of said Bank.

NINTH. To hear the Report of the Building Committee on Town House, and act thereon.

TENTH. To hear the Report of the Selectmen on Grave Yard near Marston's, and act thereon.

ELEVENTH. To see if the town will authorize their Highway Surveyors to open roads into their Cemeteries, in times of funerals when blocked with snow.

TWELFTH. To determine in what manner the town will choose its Highway Surveyors for the ensuing year.

THIRTEENTH. To hear the Report of the Selectmen on the duties of Sextons, and act thereon.

FOURTEENTH. To see if the town will choose a Committee to have the local control, management, and superintendence of Oak Hill Cemetery.

FIFTEENTH. To see if the town will discontinue the Gould Road, so called.

SIXTEENTH. To see if the town will fence the Cometary near Nathaniel Marston's.

SEVENTEENTH. To see if the town will fit up the Selectmen's room in the Town House for the keeping of papers and books belonging to the town; choose a committee for the same, and appropriate money therefor.

EIGHTEENTH. To determine what method the town will adopt for the repair of its Highways the ensuing year.

NINETEENTH. To establish the price of labor upon Highways for the year ensuing.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at their office, one hour previous to said meeting, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands, at Orrington, this twenty eighth day of February A. D. 1873.

J. WYMAN PHILLIPS,	} SELECTMEN OF ORRINGTON.
J. D. BAKER,	
W. M. BAKER,	

District No. 5. Winter term. Miss MARY A. CROSBY, teacher. When visited at its commencement this school promised well; but a misunderstanding, arising between teacher and parents, and soon extending to the scholars, rendered the effort made for the advancement of the school, unavailing. If parents feel aggrieved they should apply to the proper authorities, and have their wrongs redressed; but ought not in any case to attempt to right them themselves.

District No. 6. Summer term. Miss MARY DILLINGHAM taught this school. An inexperienced teacher of good education. The good home training which the children had received coupled with the willingness of the teacher to instruct, insured some advancement in the branches taught here. The Winter term was taught by Miss E. LONG. The conduct of the scholars was admirable, and considerable progress was made in the several branches pursued.

District No. 7. Summer. The Grammar School was taught by Miss EMMA F. FREEMAN. The Primary department by Miss EVA B. COPELAND. In these schools the pupils evidently appreciated their privileges. This is attested by their deportment and advancement. The Grammar School Winter term, was commenced by MR. REED, who resigned after a few weeks without giving notice to the Supervisor. The school was completed by MR. H. GEORGE, under whose administration the scholars made some improvement, but owing to the previous interruption of the school and the disaffection of some few of its members, the term was not as profitable as it should have been. The Primary department was again taught by Miss E. B. Copeland, and was not surpassed even by her former school.

District No. 8. Summer term. Miss H. HOLYOKE, teacher. This school was in session but a short time and was visited by the Supervisor but once. It appeared well. The Winter school was taught by Miss MARIA A. COCHRAN. The scholars did well generally, though a few were a little roguish. This was a profitable term.

District No. 9. Winter term. Miss JULIA E. STUBBS, teacher. This school which can boast as good children as any in town, was rendered by the fault of the Supervisor nearly a failure.

District No. 10. Winter term. Miss HATTIE POLLARD, teacher. In this school the scholars, with a single exception, strove to do well; consequently this was a profitable term.

The following teachers are recommended for future employment.

Mr. Solomon Bolton, Mr. John B. Gibbs, Miss E. Copeland,
Miss Emma Freeman, Miss Nellie Chapin, Miss Cochrane,
Miss Hattie E. Phillips, Mrs. Louisa Nickerson,
Miss Hattie W. Pollard.

We cannot ignore the fact that corporeal punishment is fast drawing upon itself the condemnation of the community. It has been abandoned in the U. S. Navy, and has disappeared from our Merchant service, and also from our Army. If it is an offspring of Civilization; why is this? In a republic where all men are peers, it is degrading and demoralizing. Is not its effect to drive the high-spirited and daring to deeds of desperation, and completely unman the timid? After the rod has been administered, pardon is impossible; and the indignity is never effaced or forgotten. I am convinced that some other mode of punishment should be devised; some mode by which repentance and pardon may be together secured. If the rod is to be used, the parent or guardian is the proper agent. If this be not so, the sooner we return to that institution of early days, the whipping-post, the better. Some light punishment may be inflicted by the teacher, when the offender is young; but when he has arrived at years of understanding, let him be deprived of the benefit of the school.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. POLLARD, SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

ORRINGTON, Feb. 25, 1873.

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