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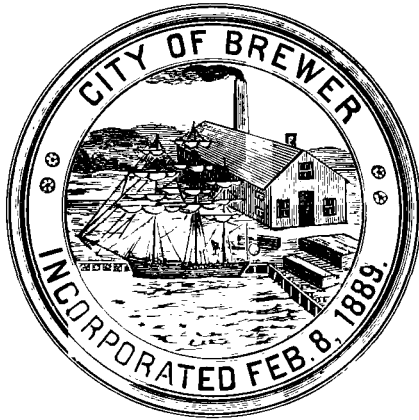
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GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL : —

To us has been entrusted the duty of making the municipal history of our beloved city during the seventh year of its existence as a municipality, and we are this hour just entering upon the duties thereof.

We have obligated ourselves to perform these duties to the best of our several abilities, and in the best interests of all concerned.

We have no other obligations upon us, then let us seek first to be right, then go ahead, seeking to carry out to the very letter our impressions of the right.

During the six years we have enjoyed a municipal form of government, we have been steadily growing in wealth and in numbers, and our wants as a city have been correspondingly on the increase ; yes, have increased *faster* than our growth, for we are not content to live as did our fathers ; we must, or fancy we must, have the improvements and luxuries of the day.

Not only that ; our appropriations must be more numerous, as well as larger, than were those of our fathers, for we not only have the same wants for the gratification of which we levy upon the property of our citizens, but we have other wants to be supplied, among which I might mention water for fire purposes and for our public build-

ings, police protection, electric lights, concrete walks and the interest on an ever increasing bonded and floating indebtedness.

Four of our number were members of the last city council, and have been elected to succeed themselves; one has had two years' experience in the first city council; and six of us are new to the positions to which we have been elected; and so it will be the most natural thing, under the circumstances, for those of us who are new to the duties devolving upon us, to look to, and lean upon you of greater and broader experience in municipal affairs.

For the third time since our first inauguration day, the people have willed a change of presiding officer, and to-day I take the oath as your fourth mayor.

I tremble and falter as I remember my comparative youth in comparison with the scholarly ability, good judgment, tact and business qualifications possessed and exercised by my honored predecessors.

I shall expect, and believe I shall have, your united, hearty and untiring support and co-operation, which will enable me to discharge the duties of my office credibly, and in the best interests of all concerned.

As we are about to assume the reins of government, it will perhaps be well, at this time, to briefly consider what are some of the duties which we shall be called upon to perform, and what are some of the needs of the hour.

This can be done, I believe, more quickly and comprehensively by referring to the various departments of our city work.

First let me refer to the heads of these departments, whom it will be *your* immediate duty to select.

In designating these officers, I trust you will never for a moment cease to remember that you have no friends to reward, no foes to punish, but that the city's interest, and that alone, is what you are bound to serve, and thus to exercise your best judgment in selecting the best men among us for these positions.

I will now take up the departments in the order of their importance, as I view them :

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

This is first, for upon the wise and judicious management of the fiscal concerns of an individual or a corporation, depends the ability of that person or body to fulfill their obligations, and to carry out any desired aim or purpose.

The following is a statement of the city's liabilities :

Bonded indebtedness.....	\$37,000 00
Floating indebtedness.....	8,280 00
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Total.....	45,280 00
From which deduct :	
Amount due from collector.....	\$ 5,229 09
Amount in treasurer's hands, about.....	2,100 00
Amount due from sewers and concrete walks.	55 80
Amount due from Archer farm.....	200 00
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Total.....	\$7,584 89
Leaving a net indebtedness of about \$37,700.	



This debt has increased from \$14,700, the last year we were under a town form of government, or on an average of about \$4,000 per year for the past six years.

The only improvements for which any of this increased debt was expressly created, are the remodelling this building, the new school house at South Brewer and the real estate acquired last year. The remainder must have been created by overdrawn balances from year to year.

The fiscal statement of last year's business shows overdrawn balances of about \$1,700, reckoning the bills of the school department all paid, and this would have been much larger, had it not been that the credits in the sewer department for old sewer assessments collected last year, and credits in the contingent fund from rent of hall and other sources, were exceptionally large.

This balance, however, is about offset by the difference in the amount due from the collector, which is about \$1,800 less than last year, or, in other words, the collector collected more back taxes last year than in 1893, and held his own with 1894 tax.

The appropriations which we shall be obliged to make might be determined, to use an algebraic phrase, known and unknown quantities.

The known quantities are for street lights, water rents, salaries, interest, payment of loans, state and county tax.

The unknown quantities are for highways, schools, poor, fire department, contingent, abatements, discount on taxes, police, and for any improvements which you may determine to make.

The known quantities figure between eleven and twelve thousand dollars, the other, from eighteen thousand dollars to any amount you may vote.

It is eminently necessary that you give to these your most careful attention and study at the very commencement of the year, in order to have our work well in hand all the year through.

There is an old saying, and a good one, which might aptly be quoted here, to wit: "A job well begun is already half done."

Remember also that the last city council made no permanent improvements except a cess-pool or two, so that in making your appropriations this year, you have an immediate precedent of no improvements, and the appropriations for the actual necessities placed at figures nearly \$2000 below what was actually needed, so do not seek, by any jugglery of figures, to fool yourselves into thinking that in some unknown way money will come in, or the appropriations remain partially unexpended.

Allow me to remind you, too, that \$600 of our floating debt becomes due this year, and I think it would be advisable to pay it, rather than to renew the note.

#### SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL HOUSES.

Of the vast importance of this department there can be no question.

Upon the careful and faithful management of this fund, depends the future reputation and prosperity of our city.

The scholars of to-day are to be men and women of to-

morrow, and to give to them every chance for an education, to give to them every advantage that can be had, should be your chief desire and constant aim; we cannot bequeath to them wealth, but we can do vastly more, we can see to it that they have every advantage for a good education, the most valuable legacy that can be bestowed.

It is a deplorable fact that so many of our scholars fail to attend our schools.

The supervisors' reports for years have shown that scarcely more than one-half attend school, and that a very small percentage of those who *do* attend our common schools, avail themselves of the privileges of our high school.

This is not as it should be, and I wish it were possible for us to remedy this evil, for evil it is.

If we were able to cause every scholar to attend school, then we would indeed be public benefactors, instead of "necessary evils," as some have chosen to denominate city councils.

I am not, nor have I been for years, in a position to criticise our schools, for my business has not brought me in contact with them in the least degree: but this I do know, that some of the existing customs in the school department are very *severely* criticised by certain of our citizens.

It will be your duty to investigate thoroughly, and if these criticisms are found to be just, cause the wrongs to be righted, but if they are found to be right methods and customs, give to them your hearty indorsement.

I also know that our schools are costing us more than when we were under a town form of government.

In 1888-9, the last year we were a town, our common schools cost us about \$2.60 per scholar, while last year it cost us about \$3.25 per scholar, an increase of about 25 per cent.

These figures are based upon the amounts raised by us alone, and not the amounts received from the state, included.

It does not seem necessary that an increasing number of scholars should be accompanied by an increase of the cost per capita.

It seems to me that the amount which the state per capita law (80 cents) requires us to raise is all that is necessary, or that can be spent to an advantage.

That this tax is fully as large as it ought to be seems to be quite evident from the fact that there has been a strenuous effort made by some in the present Legislature to have the law changed and a smaller amount substituted. It is needless for me to state to you, that they failed in their purpose, and that the law remains unchanged.

The school houses are reported to be generally in good repair: some slight repairs will, however, be necessary, principally in the high school room where quite extensive repairs are necessary, according to School Agent Hall's report.

The location of the Kingsbury school house needs to be changed slightly.

You will also be called upon to act upon that ever-

returning question of the location of a school to convene certain scholars living between the Liberty school house and the Whiting Hill school house.

During the past winter, although a mild one, much valuable time has been lost by certain schools, on account of their rooms not having been properly warmed.

It does seem as though with the modern and supposed improved methods of heating, that not a moment should be lost on this account.

It will be necessary for you to look into this matter and remedy it, if possible, before another winter.

#### STREETS.

It is a fact recognized by all, that this department causes the most numerous comments, during the year, of any of the departments, and I do not know but that I might say more numerous than *all* the rest.

It seems as though all fancied themselves to be capable of being *better* Street Commissioners than the one in power, whoever he may be.

It is in this department too, where we hear wards oftenest spoken of, and *here* the ward limits are often made painfully prominent.

These things are not as they should be. We should ever give due respect to the head of any department, remembering that perhaps he has decided what is best, after learning more of the facts bearing upon the question than we have heard of.

Nor should ward boundaries determine the amount to be expended at any one point.

The need of the locality is all that is necessary to be considered, unless it should be necessary to take into consideration the amount available for such need.

It is here, too, where we find the greatest tendency to overrun the appropriation on account of so much which might be done.

There is a certain amount of work upon the highways which must be done each year, to keep them safe and passable.

Whatever is done over and above this, you are to determine.

I will mention a few things which might be done, by way of improvement, not, however, presuming to impress it upon you that this is the year to undertake them.

A continuation of Fling street to Burr street is very necessary for two reasons: first, to furnish an outlet from School, Spring, Maple and Burr streets; second, to furnish a back route to Oak Hill Cemetery, and a much leveler one than Main street affords.

The proposed location of this street has been surveyed not less than three times already.

A new street is very much needed from Main street, and running at right angles with said street, from opposite the Dirigo Mill to a point opposite the back entrance to the cemetery, or to the proposed street above mentioned.

This street, it seems to me, you will be obliged to pro-

vide in order to accommodate the new houses built last year between Maple street and Burr street.

Chamberlain street ought also to be extended to the county road or Wilson street, as it is called at that point.

There has been one or two new streets called for at South Brewer within a year or two, which I think have never been laid out yet.

The street committee will have about thirty miles of streets, nearly as many miles of sidewalks, besides several bridges to look after and to cause to be kept in repair, whether there is any new work or not.

#### CONCRETE WALKS.

I think all our citizens appreciate what few concrete walks we have, and it seems to me to be the right policy to extend them a little each year, providing the abutters are willing to conform to the existing city ordinance relative to the same.

#### CITY TEAM.

Whether to own and to operate a team is still an open question.

If used in connection with the fire department and the school department, as well as the highway department, I am inclined to think it to be good policy, whether strictly good financial policy or not, to own one.

#### STREET LINES.

The oft recurring and extremely vexing question of street

lines has had its share in disturbing the tranquillity of the two last city councils, and possibly may come in for a fair share of our time and temper.

There are two cases of alleged highway encroachment in the court now, but I am persuaded that these can be settled in a manner satisfactory to all concerned without going to the expense of a law suit, in fact, they could have been settled without bringing it before the court at all.

The principal trouble seems to have arisen in all cases on account of the engineer employed, not surveying the same courses at different times.

#### SEWERS.

I am persuaded that there is no town in the State, no larger than Brewer, that has so many feet of sewerage as we have.

We have about 20,000 feet of sewers located upon seventeen different streets, some of the streets having more than one sewer upon them.

In fact, we have a sewer on nearly every street between Silk street and School street, and two or three sewers in Ward 5.

There are, however, a few localities, where sewers are very much needed. You will probably be called upon to say whether any of these needs shall be supplied this year.

The time has passed when sewers were regarded as a luxury. They are now looked upon as a necessity, especially where a system of water supply is in operation.



Necessary for several reasons, among which might be mentioned: on account of the public health, the improvement of highways, making available for building purposes certain waste places, and so forth.

Under the existing sewer law, sewers can be built in ordinary soil, without much expense to the city, but care should be taken, if new work in this department is contemplated: first, to get a thorough and careful estimate of the cost of the proposed sewers, then ascertain whether the abutters are unanimous, or nearly so, to have the work done, and are willing to bear their share of the cost of the same.

Above all, if any new sewers are built, see to it that they are kept down to grade.

It will be necessary to make a small appropriation to keep our sewers in repair. There is also need of more cess-pools and chimneys.

I have in mind a sewer, built about ten years ago, into which a drop of surface water cannot get until it has run in the gutters of the street along the line of the sewer for 200 feet.

#### POOR.

You will remember that the greatest "good Samaritan" the world has ever seen, said to his disciples: "The poor ye have *always* with you," and the inference from this remark and the connection, can be nothing less than that it is your duty to provide for these.

It is the feeling of the citizens generally and every-

where, that it is not only a duty, but a privilege to minister to the deserving of this class.

Of course there are times when imposters appear, but with a little inquiry on the part of our board of overseers, individual cases can be sized up quite correctly.

The condition of this department is about the same as described in the last inaugural, although a small sum was expended on the alms-house last year.

The fact remains the same that it costs us about three times as much to take care of the poor outside the alms-house, as it does those who can be accommodated there, and if many more could become inmates when in need of assistance, the cost of their support would be diminished very materially.

Looking at it in that light, would it not be economy in the end, to have greater accommodations there?

Mr. and Mrs. Page, the Superintendent and Matron of the alms-house, are giving perfect satisfaction, as far as I have learned.

The fact that we are at the head of navigation and that the lumber and ice business is carried on to quite an extent within our borders, tends to draw some who are not citizens of this country, and if they fall into distress while here, we must provide for them, if they have not been with us a month, makes the cost of this department larger than it otherwise would be.

The costs in this department last year were much larger than was anticipated, and the appropriation was largely

overdrawn, which accounts for a large part of the net overdrawn balances spoken of above.

#### POLICE.

Of the morality of our city and the good order maintained therein, we all are justly proud.

Marshal Fickett and his aid should come in for a good share of praise because these things are so. They seem determined to perform the unpleasant duties which are constantly devolving upon them, without prejudice or partiality, without fear or favor.

There are however, if reports are true, certain places in our midst which are as foul blotches upon creation: places where the proprietors thereof are constantly making drunkards, criminals and paupers, and causing innocent women and children to suffer untold agony of body and mind daily and hourly.

That such things are allowed in our midst, should bring a blush of shame upon the cheek of every citizen.

It seems to me to be the duty of our police to see that these worse than public nuisances are stopped and the proprietors thereof brought to justice; as much so as it is their duty to arrest a sneak-thief whom they might discover lifting a coat from off our hall stand.

Let us, as representatives of the people, to whom the people have delegated the authority, see to it that they receive explicit instructions upon this point.

Let us not vote to co-operate with any one, as did a former council, but let us lead off, asking others to co-

operate with us. The greater the authority, the greater the responsibility, let us realize this and measure up to it.

If we believe in the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of men, and we all do, then we are in a measure our brother's keeper in so far as we have opportunity to shield him from danger, to remove from his path any temptation to go wrong.

I have noticed that the laws relative to Sabbath desecration are quite rigidly enforced; I trust this will be continued.

I hold that all kinds of business, except certain few lines which it seems necessary to conduct, should be *forced* if necessary, to stop on the Lord's day, and all lines of business which it is necessary to conduct should be restricted to certain hours, as are our druggists now voluntarily.

I trust the committee on licenses will think as I do when granting licenses for certain lines of trade, and incorporate this idea into said licenses.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Fortunately our firemen have not been called upon very often in the past, and let us hope to be equally as fortunate in the future.

But as we have no guarantee of this, we should do all we can afford to do to make this department as efficient as possible.

We all realize that our firemen are not receiving anything like what would be considered pay commensurate to the service rendered, but this is not because we are un-

willing to reimburse them, but because we are unable, so we shall have to ask them to continue to serve in this capacity for the love of it, and for the good they can do, reminding them that their fathers did the same, and that they are not the *only* workers for the city who are underpaid.

The arrangement made by Chief Harlow, whereby to get a sufficient quantity of hose to a fire during the winter months, was the best that could be done under the circumstances, and appreciated by all.

I have always maintained that there ought to be a hose house and a carriage with hose, upon the Center street school house lot, to better protect the property located upon and beyond the hills over the railroads, for much valuable time is always wasted trying to climb hills with a small crew.

#### WATER.

During the past year our water supply has been more constant and uniform than formerly, and as far as I have learned, a good fire pressure has been maintained.

There has, however, been a very spirited controversy between our citizens who are water takers and the water company on account of the latter seeking to collect water rents six months in advance, instead of three months, as formerly. Good arguments were made on both sides, but I think our citizens had the right of it. Be that as it may, wonderful to relate, the matter has finally been adjusted in a manner satisfactory to all, and both parties had their way about it.

It will be well for you to see to it that the water company do not ever seek to infringe upon the rights of our citizens, and that the company live up to their agreement with the town of Brewer.

#### STREET LIGHTS.

Our street lights have not given, during the past year, very good satisfaction, and quite often the committee on lights had to complain to the company. Of late we have had a better service than during the first part of the year.

We, at present, maintain fourteen street lights, five located between Chamberlain street and Oak Hill Cemetery, on Main street, and one at the junction of each of the following streets: Holyoke and Washington, State and Cedar, Center and Jordan, Union and East Summer, one near the railroad crossing on Wilson street, one near the toll bridge, and three at South Brewer.

To have a continuous service on Main street between the points first named, three additional lights are necessary, located as follows: One near Holyoke street, one at School street, and one at Maple street. This is not the year for that, however.

#### CEMETERIES.

It is a fact recognized by all that there has been nothing, nor could have been anything quite equal to Memorial Day as an incentive to cause all to seek to adorn and beautify these hallowed spots.

This feeling has been so contagious that there is scarcely a person who does not feel it a privilege as well as a duty to step out and away from the busy turmoil of life, out from the gait of social companionship, and spend a few hours each week in seeking with loving touch to ever keep green the memories of these sacred places.

And so Memorial Day has become not only a day sacred to the memory of our departed citizen soldier heroes, but it has become, and is becoming more and more each year, a day sacred to the memory of all our loved ones who have only "gone before."

It does seem fitting and our bounden duty to supplement the efforts of our citizens, in this direction, by making a small appropriation each year, to keep the avenues, walks and fences, in good repair, and to build new when needed, and in various ways to improve their appearance.

The Oak Hill Cemetery Association, of which my honored predecessor spoke at length in his last inaugural, has during the past year done very much towards making the cemetery from which it derives its name a "bower of beauty," and has caused the most unsightly spot within its borders to "blossom as the rose."

This is a very worthy object, and I bespeak the hearty co-operation of all of our citizens in this most commendable move. I am told that they intend next to make a change for the better in the appearance of the front slope next to the main entrance.

A receiving tomb is rapidly becoming a necessity, and on account of the lay of the land at the front, it

would seem to be a comparatively inexpensive work to perform.

#### BREWER'S GRAVEL BED.

The last city council, without much deliberation, and with seeming alacrity, purchased a gravel bed. I think I am within bounds when I say that there has never been anything done by the municipal officers of Brewer, either town or city, which has caused so much adverse criticism by our citizens. And although some still contend that there *is* gravel there, nearly all consider the name a misnomer, and think we shall still have to look elsewhere for gravel. Be that as it may, we own it and the question for us is, what to do with it.

I am persuaded that if, after a thorough and careful investigation, you are still of the opinion that no suitable gravel for streets and sidewalks can be found there, it would be economy in the end to put it in the hands of a real estate broker to dispose of, as a whole or in pieces, whichever way would net the city the most money, and deposit the receipts as a sinking fund to be used towards purchasing the bonds which were floated to buy it.

#### THE BRIDGE QUESTION.

For the past three months, the toll bridge has been almost solely the topic of conversation by our citizens; and well it might be, for to my mind it is a matter of vital importance to us.

We seemed to have good reasons to expect a free bridge



at the expiration of the Bridge Company's charter, but it looks now as though we were to be doomed to disappointment, for the Senate last Friday passed the Floyd amendments to the Bridge Company's bill and it will undoubtedly become a law.

Our representative has fought for us long, valiantly and against odds, and had he been backed up by Bangor as he should have been, perhaps the result would have been different. It seems to me that a wrong policy was pursued by Bangor at the beginning, by introducing any bill on the part of the cities.

All we needed was to let the charter expire, and let the question of ownership settle itself either in the courts or by the county commissioners. Be that as it may, "We have met the enemy and we are theirs."

I think the citizens would vote to free the bridge now, even if we are to be obliged with Bangor to buy it, if the appraisers put but a nominal value upon it, for our part would not be large. Bangor, however, does not feel as we do and I doubt if they would vote to buy at all.

The bridge is a constant hinderance to the growth and prosperity of Brewer and it is a shame that we are still to be thus imposed upon, and I hope and believe that the day is not far distant when all our people will so consider it and be united on this question.

The Engel and Floyd amendments are, to some extent, a modification of the original bill, and will give us a little better chance than the Bridge Company intended for us to have.

Let us not be discouraged, however, but let us be ever ready to up and at them whenever opportunity offers, remembering that "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

You as a council may be called upon this year to act upon the question of petitioning for appraisers according to the provisions of the bill.

#### ANNEXATION.

The question of annexation to Bangor has been discussed quite largely on both sides of the river this winter, and while it would seem more modest in us to wait to be asked to unite before saying much ourselves, yet perhaps it would not be out of place for us to merely allude to it just among ourselves, not presuming for a moment that it will ever be mentioned outside.

There are good arguments which can be made both pro and con. Among which might be mentioned in favor of: More and more numerous improvements, better fire protection, larger police force, better schools, more lights; and against: a probable increase of valuation and per cent taxed, a relative increase of debt, and a loss, in a measure, of self-government.

But it would do more to obtain for us a free bridge than anything else could.

On the whole, I am inclined to favor the scheme, if scheme it ever becomes; if the time ever comes when *we* can annex Bangor to Brewer. One advantage it would be to them, with our vote they could elect a Republican mayor the first time trying.

## THE HOUR OF INAUGURATION.

I think it would be a good plan to change the hour of these ceremonies, except the administration of the oath, which must be at 10 A. M. If these ceremonies should be held in the evening, more of our people could and would be present, and thus perhaps get a little more deeply interested in municipal affairs.

At least a large company to speak to would aid the speaker and give to him a little more courage. Had it not been that this was to be my first experience, I should have advocated the change this year.

## CONCLUSION.

In closing, I would refer you to the Annual Report which will soon be published, for a detailed account of the work done by the last council and their subordinate officers. Among other things, that report will show that this building has been nearly self-sustaining last year, it having rented for \$369.

I take this opportunity to thank all who aided in bestowing upon me this, the greatest honor of my life, and I bespeak the hearty co-operation of all, for myself, the aldermen and all officers.

Finally, gentlemen, let us seek to do our duty, our whole duty, by our constituents, without fear or favor. Let us try to give to the city an economical but not penurious administration. Give to the tax-payers their value received if possible.

FRANK H. NICKERSON.

## BREWER CITY GOVERNMENT.

1894.

Mayor,

HENRY F. TEFFT.

Aldermen,

WM. C. STONE,

I. A. BARSTOW,

D. A. SARGENT,

CHARLES SARGENT,

S. E. STONE,

E. E. HUSSEY,

CHAS. R. BAKER,

L. V. GILMORE,

C. H. FRENCH,

H. T. SPARKS.

*Permanent Chairman*—D. A. Sargent.*City Clerk*—O. C. Farnham.*Treasurer and Collector*—C. M. Cochran.*Supervisor of Schools*—George Curtis.*Street Commissioner*—Aaron H. Gould.*City Marshal*—Luther J. Fickett.*City Solicitor*—Frank A. Floyd.*Chief Engineer of Fire Department*—C. A. Harlow.*School Agent*—S. A. Hall.*Auditor of Accounts*—Frank E. Collins.*Assessors*—Geo. W. Patten, H. M. Farrington, F. E. Collins.*Overseers of the Poor*—H. M. Farrington, A. Y. Bolton, Wm. H. Gardner.*Board of Health*—E. A. Stanley, Dr. I. Getchell, Wm. H. Gardner.

**Standing Committees.**

*Finance and Accounts*—Mayor Tefft; Aldermen Barstow, French.

*Highways, Streets, Sidewalks, Bridges*—Aldermen Wm. C. Stone, Gilmore, Samuel E. Stone, Hussey, French.

*Drains and Sewers*—Aldermen Sparks, Chas. Sargent, Samuel E. Stone.

*Fire Department*—Aldermen Baker, Chas. Sargent, French.

*Schools and School Houses*—Aldermen D. A. Sargent, Barstow, Gilmore.

*Water*—Aldermen French, Baker, D. A. Sargent.

*Street Lights*—Aldermen Chas. Sargent, Baker, Wm. C. Stone.

*Police*—Mayor Tefft; Aldermen D. A. Sargent, Sparks.

*Public Property*—Aldermen Hussey, French, Samuel Stone.

*Elections*—Aldermen Gilmore, Baker, Chas. Sargent.

*Engrossed Bills, Ordinances, Printing*—Mayor Tefft; Aldermen D. A. Sargent, Barstow.

*Licenses*—Aldermen W. C. Stone, Samuel Stone, Gilmore.

*Cemetery*—Aldermen Samuel E. Stone, D. A. Sargent, Gilmore.

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## 1895.

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Mayor,

FRANK H. NICKERSON.

Aldermen,

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CHAS. W. CURTIS,	HUGH O'BRIEN,
CHAS. SARGENT,	HENRY S. HARDY,
AARON P. SAWYER,	FRANK E. RING,
IRVING A. BARSTOW,	FRANK W. EATON.

*Permanent Chairman*—Luther V. Gilmore.

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*Supervisor of Schools*—George Curtis.

*Street Commissioner*—Wm. C. Stone.

*City Marshal*—L. J. Fickett.

*City Solicitor*—Frank A. Floyd.

*Chief Engineer of Fire Department*—George W. Glidden.

*School Agent*—S. A. Hall.

*Auditor of Accounts*—F. E. Collins.

*City Physician*—I. Getchell.

*City Assessors*—H. M. Farrington, F. E. Collins, Fred H. Brastow.

*Overseers of Poor*—A. Y. Bolton, Wm. H. Gardner, Charles W. Holbrook.

*Board of Health*—I. Getchell, M. D., Wm. H. Gardner, E. A. Stanley.

### Subordinate Officers Elected by Ballot.

*Superintendent of Cemeteries, and Sexton Oak Hill Cemetery*—S. A. Hall.

*Sexton North Brewer Cemetery*—Don Carlos H. Sinclair.

*Janitor of City Hall*—David V. Nickerson.

*Truant Officer*—L. J. Fickett.

*Culler of Hoops and Staves*—J. A. Mayo.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*—C. M. Cochran.

*Superintendent of City Farm and Pound Keeper*—N. H. Page.

*Constables at Large*—L. J. Fickett, George W. Glidden; Ward 1, Moses Howard; Ward 2, Frank B. Foster; Ward 3, Robert E. Jones; Ward 4, S. Burnham; Ward 5, Seth Puffer.

### Appointed Officers.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*First Assistant Engineer Fire Department*—W. B. Barstow.

*Second Assistant Engineer Fire Department*—F. W. Doane.

*Engineer of Steamer*—Otis Stevens.

*Assistant Engineer of Steamer*—Howard L. Whelden.

*Fireman of Steamer*—James Snow.

*Janitor*—W. H. Whelden.

*Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark*—L. V. Gilmore, George Curtis, Geo. W. Patten, C. H. French, S. H. Hall, J. D. Oakes, John H. Weeks, C. E. Lunt, B. Frank Young, Wm. H. Sargent, H. P. Goodwin, Donald A. Sargent and Calvin Getchell.

*City Weigher*—L. V. Gilmore.

*Weighers of Ice*—Frank C. Patten, B. Frank Young, Thomas W. James and H. P. Goodwin.

**Standing Committees for 1895.**

*Finance and Accounts*—Mayor Nickerson ; Aldermen Barstow, Hardy.

*Highways, Streets, Sidewalks and Bridges*—Aldermen O'Brien, Gilmore, Sargent, French, Eaton.

*Drains and Sewers*—Aldermen Barstow, Sargent, French.

*Fire Department*—Aldermen Sawyer, French, Eaton.

*Schools and School Houses*—Aldermen Gilmore, French, Barstow.

*Water*—Aldermen Hardy, Ring, Sawyer.

*Street Lights*—Aldermen Sargent, Curtis, Hardy.

*Police*—Mayor Nickerson ; Aldermen Ring, O'Brien.

*Public Property*—Aldermen French, Sawyer, O'Brien.

*Elections*—Aldermen Eaton, Gilmore, Curtis.

*Engrossed Bills, Ordinances, Printing* — Mayor Nickerson ; Aldermen Barstow, Curtis.

*Licenses*—Aldermen Ring, Sargent, Hardy.

*Cemetery*—Aldermen Curtis, Gilmore, Sawyer.



## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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### Salaries.

Mayor.....	\$100 00
City Clerk.....	100 00
City Marshal.....	600 00
Police at South Brewer.....	500 00
Supervisor of Schools.....	300 00
School Agent, \$2 per day.	
Superintendent of Alms House.....	200 00
Street Commissioner.....	400 00
Treasurer.....	100 00
City Solicitor.....	75 00
Health Officers, two members \$10 each.....	20 00
Secretary of the Board.....	25 00
Chief Engineer.....	25 00
First Assistant.....	10 00
Second Assistant.....	5 00
Engineer of Steamer.....	25 00
Superintendent of Hose and Janitor of Engine House....	50 00
Fireman of Steamer.....	10 00
Auditor.....	25 00
Wardens.....	5 00
Ward Clerks.....	5 00
Janitor of City Hall.....	100 00
Superintendent of Cemeteries, \$2 per day.	
Overseers of Poor, \$2 per day.	
Assessors, \$2 per day.	
Election and Ballot Clerks, \$2 per day.	

### Appropriations for 1894-95.

For Highways, Sidewalks and Bridges.....	\$3,300 00
Common Schools.....	3,760 00
High School.....	1,300 00
Agents' Supplies, Repairs and Salary of Supervisor,	700 00
Free Text Books.....	500 00
Support of Poor.....	1,700 00
Fire Department.....	800 00
Police Department.....	1,000 00
Contingent Expenses.....	900 00
Discount on Taxes.....	2,400 00
Abatement of Taxes.....	600 00
Street Lights.....	1,050 00
Water Rates.....	1,160 00
Sewer Department.....	200 00
Salaries of City Officers.....	1,500 00
Interest on Bonds and Loans.....	1,600 00
Payment of Loans.....	560 00
Improvements of Oak Hill Cemetery.....	100 00
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	\$23,130 00
State Tax for the year 1894.....	3,241 95
County " " " ".....	859 79
Overlaying on Taxes.....	846 39
Fractional Gains.....	2 64
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	\$28,080 77

### Valuation for the Year 1894.

On Real Estates of Residents.....	\$766,405 00
Personal Estates of Residents.....	176,785 00
Real Estates of Non-Residents.....	301,285 00
Personal Estates of Non-Residents.....	39,900 00
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Total Valuation.....	\$1,284,375 00

## Assessments for the Year 1894.

On Real Estates of Residents.....	\$14,562 85
Personal Estates of Residents.....	3,360 17
Real Estates of Non-Residents.....	5,724 57
Personal Estates of Non-Residents.....	758 18
1,225 Polls at \$3.00.....	3,675 00
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Total Assessments.....	\$28,080 77
Percentage, \$1.90 on \$100.	

## C. M. Cochran, Treasurer.

## DR.

1894-95.

Cash.....	\$ 478 81	
Contingent.....	800 58	
Sewer.....	675 30	
Schools.....	3,313 87	
High School.....	284 00	
Dog Tax.....	225 00	
Poor.....	240 34	
Loans.....	9,500 00	
Highways.....	128 57	
Fire Department.....	15 00	
Text Books.....	3 16	
Police.....	164 94	
Interest.....	63 31	
Bonds.....	7,000 00	
Cemetery.....	2 00	
Tax Fund.....	27,100 29	
	<hr/>	\$49,995 17

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Contingent.....	2,134 60
Sewer.....	380 26
Schools.....	6,118 25
High School.....	1,378 82
Dog Tax.....	229 00

Poor .....	2,281 95	
Loans.....	10,560 00	
School Repairs .....	660 25	
Salary Account.....	1,722 83	
Highway.....	3,517 06	
Street Lights.....	1,050 00	
Fire Department.....	634 18	
Water.....	1,173 11	
Free Text Books.....	532 14	
Police Department.....	1,210 37	
Interest.....	1,832 43	
Public Property.....	7,000 00	
Cemetery.....	89 25	
Trust Fund .....	6 00	
Tax Fund.....	4,101 74	
Cash on Hand.....	3,382 93	
	<hr/>	\$49,995 17

**C. M. Cochran, Collector, in Acc't with City of Brewer  
for the Years 1891-92-93-94.**

TAXES OF 1891.

Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1894.....	\$ 938 71	
Collected and paid City Treasurer to Feb. 28, 1895.....	764 20	
Abatements made by Assessors.....	10 00	
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Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1895.....		\$164 51

TAXES OF 1892.

Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1894.....	\$1,678 01	
Collected and paid Treasurer to Feb. 28, '95,	1,093 08	
Abatements made by Assessors to Feb. 28, 1895 .....	154 89	
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Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1895.....		430 04

## TAXES OF 1893.

Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1894.....	\$4,359 84	
Collected and paid Treasurer to Feb. 28, '95,	2,628 67	
Abatements made by Assessors to Feb. 28,		
1895 .....	211 88	
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Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1895.....		1,519 29

## TAXES OF 1894.

Committed July 2, 1894.....	28,080 77	
Collected and paid Treasurer to Sept. 1, '94,	20,665 16	
Collected and paid Treasurer from Sept. 1,		
to Feb. 28, 1895.....	1,504 27	
Discount allowed to Sept. 1, 1894.....	2,292 12	
Abatements made by Assessors to Feb. 28,		
1895 .....	499 97	
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Balance uncollected Feb. 28, 1895.....		3,119 25
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Balance due on four years taxes Feb. 28, '95,		\$5,233 09

C. M. COCHRAN, Collector.

## Loans Outstanding.

City of Brewer, note dated May 1, 1892, three years, at 4 per cent.....	\$ 600 00
New school house loan, June 20, 1892 from one to five years, at 4 1-2 per cent in three notes.....	1,680 00
City of Brewer, note dated Feb. 9, 1893, five years, at 4 1-2 per cent—new school house.....	1,000 00
City of Brewer, note dated Feb. 9, 1895, seven months.....	2,000 00
City of Brewer, note dated Feb. 9, 1895, seven months .....	500 00

City of Brewer, note dated Feb. 9, 1895, seven months.....	2,000 00	
City of Brewer, bonds issued May 1, 1891, at 4 per cent from 10 to 20 years.....	30,000 00	
City of Brewer, bonds issued June 4, 1894, at 4 per cent from 10 to 20 years.....	7,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$44,780 00

**Loans Paid.**

Appropriated.....	\$ 560 00	
Credits.....	9,500 00	
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Balance overdrawn.....		500 00
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		\$10,560 00

**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid.....	\$10,560 00
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**Interest.**

Appropriated.....	\$1,600 00	
Credits.....	63 31	
	<hr/>	\$1,663 31
Balance overdrawn.....		169 12
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		\$1,832 43

**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid interest on loans.....	1,774 27	
Paid interest on School Fund.....	58 16	
	<hr/>	\$1,832 43

**Trust Funds.**

SCHOOL FUND. \$969 36

Amounting to \$969.36, loaned to the city at 6 per cent. interest, amounting to \$58.16 has been paid to the School Department.

WHEELER FUND. \$50 00

Amounting to \$50, loaned to the city at 4 per cent. interest, to be expended annually by the Superintendent of Cemeteries in

keeping Daniel Wheeler's lot in Oak Hill Cemetery in repair for all time. Two dollars has been paid S. A. Hall for that purpose during the past year.

PAUL T. BARSTOW FUND. \$100 00

Amounting to \$100, loaned to the city at 4 per cent. interest, to be expended annually by the Superintendent of Cemeteries in keeping P. T. Barstow's lot in Oak Hill Cemetery, in repair for all time. Four dollars has been paid.

### Dog License.

Credits from State.....	\$ 225 00	
Due " " .....	4 00	
	_____	\$229 00

#### EXPENDITURES.

Paid State Treasurer.....	225 00	
Paid William W. Foster, loss of sheep.....	4 00	
	_____	\$229 00

### High School.

#### RECEIPTS.

Appropriation.....	\$1,200 00	
Received from State.....	250 00	
"    "    Tuition.....	34 00	
	_____	\$1,584 00

#### EXPENDITURES.

Paid Teachers.....	\$1,251 26	
Janitor.....	69 00	
Graduating expenses.....	13 56	
Fuel.....	45 00	
	_____	\$1,378 82
Unexpended balance.....		205 18
		\$1,584 00

## Common Schools.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation .....	\$3,760 00	
Received from State mill tax .....	3,213 26	
Received from tuition.....	42 45	
Interest on school fund .....	58 16	
		\$7,073 87

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid Teachers.....	\$4,790 00	
Janitor.....	471 30	
Fuel.....	679 55	
Water .....	150 00	
Supplies.....	23 50	
Travelling expenses, Supervisor.....	3 90	
		\$6,118 25
Unexpended balance.....		955 62
		\$7,073 87

## Free Text Books.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation.....	\$500 00	
Received for books.....	3 16	
		\$503 16
Balance overdrawn.....		28 98
		\$532 14

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid for books, High School .....	\$145 19	
“ “ Common School.....	386 95	
		\$532 14

## Agents' Supplies, Repairs and Salary of Supervisor.

Appropriation .....		\$700 00
Paid Geo. Curtis, Supervisor of Schools.....	\$300 00	
Repairs.....	283 92	
Furniture.....	76 33	
		\$660 25
Unexpended balance.....		39 75
		\$700 00



## Contingent.

RECEIPTS.		
Appropriation.....	\$900 00	
Credits.....	800 50	
		\$1,700 50
Balance overdrawn.....		434 10
		<u>\$2,134 60</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid L. B. Pollard, chairman of Board of Registration.....	82 50
E. B. Burr, services on Board of Registration.....	66 00
A. P. Bennett, services on Board of Registration.....	66 00
O. C. Farnham, clerk on Board of Registration.....	66 00
A. H. King, constable for Board of Registration.....	3 00
A. H. King, delivering ballots at voting places.....	2 50
S. A. Hall, repairs and cleaning voting rooms.....	7 25
S. A. Hall, burial service.....	5 00
E. & I. K. Stetson, coal for City Hall..	93 19
O. H. Harriman, care of pump, South Brewer.....	3 00
Beriah Mann, care of pump.....	3 00
J. N. V. Lane, repairs on City Hall....	13 30
Daily News Co., printing.....	84 00
Chas. H. Glass & Co., printing.....	93 88
Boutelle Bros., printing.....	21 75
J. P. Bass & Co., advertising.....	2 50
I. M. Getchell, M. D., vaccinating.....	45 00
I. M. Getchell, M. D., recording births and deaths.....	6 25
L. H. Wheeler, M. D., vaccinating.....	78 00
L. H. Wheeler, M. D., recording births and deaths.....	10 25

Paid H. F. Hanson, medical service.....	5 00
Caldwell Sweet, kine points .....	7 70
S. E. Stone, memorial services at O. H. Cemetery.....	55 00
L. V. Gilmore, memorial services at N. Brewer .....	20 00
H. M. Whelden, wood, City Hall.....	1 65
Getchell Bros., wood, City Hall.....	4 50
George Curtis, making dog warrants....	1 00
E. W. Sawyer, repairs, City Hall .....	75
Burial of soldiers .....	105 00
I. A. Barstow, rubber stamp .....	1 50
E. Higgins, damage on sewer.....	15 00
S. H. Woodbury, pump and supplies ...	17 80
C. O. Farrington, supplies for town pump	4 79
A. H. Gould, bricks and labor.....	19 17
J. P. Elliott, repairs.....	6 20
Mrs. Hughes, cleaning City Hall.....	1 00
A. P. Bennett, labor City Hall.....	12 50
D. Bugbee & Co., books and stationery.	33 29
F. A. Floyd, legal service.....	63 25
J. E. Swett, repairs, City Hall.....	1 00
L. J. Fickett, horse hire, posting notices	3 00
S. H. Woodbury, supplies, City Hall...	5 85
Thomas Hanover, repairs, lawn mower..	75
T. W. Baldwin, services, corner Wilson and Center Streets, and plans.....	68 00
H. F. Tefft, expense to Augusta.....	20 00
C. M. Cochran, stationery and postage..	19 50
O. C. Farnham, postage and express bills	6 00
Harlow Bros., supplies, City Hall.....	3 41
Water, City Hall.....	23 75
Electric lights, City Hall.....	168 25
State Reform School .....	128 71
Insane Hospital.....	462 91
State pensions.....	96 00

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 \$2,134 60

## Highways, Sidewalks and Bridges.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriated.....	\$3,300 00	
Credits.....	128 57	
	<hr/>	\$3,428 57
Overdrawn.....		88 49
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		\$3,517 06

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid C. W. Holbrook, Street Commissioner's bill for March, 1894 .....	\$ 195 29	
A. H. Gould, salary.....	400 00	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for April.....	138 19	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for May .....	398 77	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for June.....	1,194 97	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for July .....	143 30	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for August.....	303 22	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for September.....	80 97	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for October.....	71 46	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for November.....	70 50	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for December.....	104 22	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for January, 1895.....	102 97	
A. H. Gould, Street Commissioner's bill for February.....	188 20	
T. W. Baldwin, surveying streets.....	125 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,517 06

## Sewer Department.

Appropriated.....	\$200 00
Credits.....	675 30

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 \$875 30

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid John Milan, labor.....	\$ 1 50
Patrick Dunn, labor.....	1 35
J. H. Lawson, labor.....	60
A. H. Gould, bricks.....	22 00
Young & Clay, trucking.....	1 25
Pay Roll.....	61 19
Hinckley & Egery Iron Co., cesspool tops and covers.....	51 00
E. L. Carlow, sand.....	5 80
Robinson & Paine, cement.....	4 60
B. G. Eldridge, labor.....	25 00
J. P. Elliott, labor.....	23 95
William Burke, bricks.....	5 50
T. W. Baldwin, recording sewer plans ...	47 50
S. D. Copeland, granite.....	1 50
C. O. Farrington, cement and nails.....	16 75
City Team, labor.....	39 00
George Smith, labor.....	16 50
Fred Avery, cleaning cesspools.....	15 00
A. A. Kenney, repairs.....	9 09
C. A. Bennett, sand.....	2 00
Smith Planing Mill Co., lumber.....	2 15
S. H. Woodbury, drain pipe.....	90
S. A. Holyoke, bricks.....	15 40
Harlow Bros., cement.....	5 48
W. H. Gardner, rubber coat, hat and mit- tens.....	5 25

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 \$380 26

Unexpended balance.....

495 04

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 \$875 30

## Street Lights.

Appropriated.....\$1,050 00

## EXPENDITURE.

Paid Public Works Co.....\$1,050 00

## Fire Department.

Appropriated.....\$800 00

Credits..... 15 00

————— \$815 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid water for engine house.....	\$ 5 00
E. & I. K. Stetson, coal.....	6 37
H. C. Clapp, hauling Deluge hose cart to fire .....	2 00
E. L. Carlow, hauling Rescue H. and L. to fire .....	1 00
Z. M. Shaw, hauling hose carts to fires..	3 00
J. H. Lawson, janitor engine house.....	16 66
J. P. Elliott, repairs on engine house...	5 45
F. C. Crocker, repairs.....	75
A. P. Sanders, painting engine house...	59 80
E. E. Hussey, repairs .....	52 06
J. H. Lawson, repairs.....	30
C. Callahan, repairs.....	25 00
Smith Planing Mill Co., lumber.....	7 50
S. H. Woodbury, supplies.....	12 45
C. H. French, janitor engine house.....	33 04
A. A. Kenney, repairs.....	1 78
S. A. Hall, repairs.....	3 40
City Team, hauling engine to fires.....	4 00
S. F. Brown, hauling hose cart to fires..	75
Harlow Bros., supplies.....	2 50
Dirigo Hose Co., salary.....	50 00
Deluge " " " .....	50 00
Eagle " " " .....	50 00
Excelsior Hose Co., salary.....	50 00

Paid Rescue Hook and Ladder Co., salary...	50 00	
Eclipse " " " " " ...	50 00	
C. A. Harlow, Chief Engineer, salary...	25 00	
S. S. Sawyer, First Assistant Chief Engineer .....	10 00	
S. S. Sawyer, Assistant Engineer Steamer	5 00	
F. W. Doane, Second Assistant Engineer	5 00	
James Snow, Fireman of Steamer.....	10 00	
J. E. Merritt, hose.....	5 50	
S. S. Sawyer, repairs.....	18 87	
T. G. Stickney, coal.....	10 00	
L. C. Young, hauling hose cart to fires..	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$634 18
Unexpended balance.....		180 82
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		\$815 00

**Water Rent.**

Appropriated.....	\$1,160 00	
Balance overdrawn.....	13 11	
	<hr/>	\$1,173 11

**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid 29 hydrants .....	\$1,160 00	
Repairs on pipe.....	13 11	
	<hr/>	\$1,173 11

**Police Department.**

Appropriated.....	\$1,000 00	
Credits.....	164 94	
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Balance overdrawn.....		45 43
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		\$1,210 37

**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid L. J. Fickett, City Marshal.....	\$600 00
Frank G. O'Connor, Police South Brewer,	499 47
A. P. Bennett, tending prisoners.....	98 40

Paid Geo. W. Glidden, special police.....	4 00	
Geo. Pooler, " " .....	2 00	
Frank Hamilton, " " .....	2 00	
Special Police.....	1 50	
Travelling expenses.....	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,210 37

#### Poor Department.

Appropriated.....	\$1,700 00	
Credits.....	240 34	
	<hr/>	\$1,940 34
Balance overdrawn.....		341 61
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		\$2,281 95

#### Expenses of Poor Out of Alms House.

Paid on account of different persons.....	\$1,542 08
For names and credits see Overseers' report.	

#### Alms House and City Farm.

Paid N. H. Page, salary.....	\$200 00
Water.....	12 25
Kenney & McMahon, supplies.....	32 56
C. O. Farrington, " .....	18 46
Young & Wentworth, " .....	49 99
H. B. Wasburn, " .....	17 50
Harlow Bros., " .....	92 35
H. C. Clapp, " .....	50 37
S. H. Woodbury, " .....	18 23
C. H. Glidden, " .....	26 72
B. B. Merrill, " .....	7 25
J. C. Holbrook, " .....	45 55
Brewer Dry Goods Store, " .....	12 70
Allen G. Ray, " .....	10 00
W. H. Gardner, " .....	7 65
L. V. Gilmore, " .....	13 63
H. M. Farrington, wood.....	29 50
R. E. Jones, iron-work .....	7 58

Paid T. G. Stickney, coal .....	14 10	
Abel Hunt, casket and robe.....	8 00	
Smith Planing Mill Co., lumber.....	7 50	
H. M. Farrington, rent of pasture.....	5 00	
H. M. Farrington, seed corn.....	1 00	
S. A. Hall, burial service .....	10 00	
E. E. Hussey, labor.....	10 61	
C. A. Bennett, sand.....	1 00	
Gould & Hastings, lumber .....	15 37	
B. G. Eidridge, labor.....	12 25	
E. H. & H. Rollins, lumber.....	2 75	
		\$739 87
Whole cost of poor.....		\$2,281 95

## Salary.

Appropriated.....	\$1,500 00	
Balance overdrawn.....	222 83	
		\$1,722 83

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid H. F. Tefft, Mayor.....	100 00
O. C. Farnham, Clerk.....	100 00
C. M. Cochran, Treasurer.....	100 00
C. M. Cochran, collecting \$26,708.95 at 2 per cent.....	534 18
A. P. Bennett, Janitor City Hall.....	100 00
I. M. Getchell, City Physician.....	100 00
F. A. Floyd, City Solicitor.....	75 00
George W. Patten, Assessor 57½ days..	115 00
H. M. Farrington, Assessor 47½ days..	95 00
F. E. Collins, Assessor 47½ days.....	95 00
F. E. Collins, Auditor, 1893-94.....	25 00
O. C. Farnham, recording births, deaths and marriages.....	34 65
S. A. Hall, Superintendent Oak Hill Cemetery.....	14 00
George Glidden, Assisting Supt.....	12 00



Paid Henry W. Gardner, Overseer of Poor, 14 days 1894-95.....	28 00
W. H. Gardner, Sec. Board of Health.	25 00
H. M. Farrington, Overseer of Poor, 12 days, 1894-95.....	24 00
A. Y. Bolton, Overseer of Poor, 12 days, 1894-95.....	24 00
I. M. Getchell, Board of Health.....	10 00
E. A. Stanley, Board of Health.....	10 00
George Curtis, Warden, Ward 1, 1893-94 .....	5 00
W. H. Gardner, Ward Clerk, Ward 1, 1893-94 .....	5 00
H. W. Packard, Ballot Clerk, Ward 1, 1893-94 .....	4 00
J. G. Mann, Ballot Clerk, Ward 1, 1893-94 .....	4 00
J. D. King, Election Clerk, Ward 1, 1893-94 .....	4 00
A. P. Sawyer, Warden, Ward 2, 1893-4	5 00
H. N. Bunker, Ward Clerk, Ward 2, 1893-4.....	5 00
J. Murphy, Ballot Clerk, Ward 2, 1893-4.....	4 00
Chas. Howard, Election Clerk, Ward 2 1893-4.....	2 00
Joshua Ryder, Election Clerk, Ward 2, 1893-4.....	2 00
E. A. Skinner, Ballot Clerk, Ward 2, 1893-94.....	2 00
A. H. King, Warden, Ward 3, 1893-4.	5 00
B. F. Cochran, Ward Clerk, Ward 3, 1893-4.....	5 00
J. E. Swett, Election Clerk, Ward 3, 1893-4.....	4 00
F. H. Nickerson, Ballot Clerk, Ward 3, 1893-4.....	4 00
Howard L. Cousins, Ballot Clerk, Ward 3, 1893-4.....	4 00

Paid George Aiken, Ballot Clerk, Ward 3, 1893-4.....	4 00	
F. E. Collins, Warden, Ward 4, 1893-4	5 00	
F. L. Nickerson, Ward Clerk, Ward 4, 1893-4.....	5 00	
A. F. Gerry, Ballot Clerk, Ward 4, 1893-4.....	2 00	
Albert E. Dole, Ballot Clerk, Ward 4, 1893-4.....	2 00	
E. S. Hopkins, Election Clerk, Ward 4, 1893-4.....	2 00	
Henry Libhard, Ballot Clerk, Ward 4, 1893-4.....	4 00	
W. G. Wentworth, Election Clerk, Ward 4, 1893-4.....	2 00	
William S. Goodwin, Ballot Clerk, Ward 5, 1893-4.....	6 00	
John Mutty, Ballot Clerk, Ward 5, 1894.....	2 00	
George W. Patten, Ballot Clerk, Ward 5, 1894.....	2 00	
A. H. Mann, Election Clerk, Ward 5, 1894.....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,722 83

Cemetery.

Appropriated.....	\$100 00	
Credits.....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$102 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid S. H. Woodbury, supplies.....	\$ 29 75	
Water.....	10 00	
O. H. C. I. Association for labor.....	42 50	
S. A. Hall, labor.....	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$89 25
Unexpended balance.....		12 75
		<hr/>
		\$102 00

## State and County Tax.

State tax .....	\$3,241 95	
County tax.....	859 79	
	<u>          </u>	\$4,101 74

## Public Property.

Paid for gravel lot.....	\$7,000 00
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## Recapitulation.

Whole amount of orders drawn .....	\$46,612 24	
Paid Interest.....	\$ 1,832 43	
Trust fund.....	6 00	
Loans .....	10,560 00	
Dog license.....	229 00	
High school .....	1,378 82	
Common schools.....	6,118 25	
Free text books.....	532 14	
Agent supplies, repairs, salary of Supervisor .....	660 25	
Contingent.....	2,134 60	
Highways .....	3,517 06	
Sewer Department .....	380 26	
Street lights.....	1,050 00	
Fire Department .....	634 18	
Water rent.....	1,173 11	
Police Department.....	1,210 37	
Poor Department.....	2,281 95	
Salary .....	1,722 83	
Cemetery.....	89 25	
State and County tax.....	4,101 74	
Public property.....	7,000 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$46,612 24

FRANK E. COLLINS, Auditor.

Brewer, Feb. 28, 1895.

## REPORT OF THE STREET COMMISSIONER.

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*To His Honor the Mayor and Board of Aldermen :*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith present my annual report as Street Commissioner for the year 1894.

The amount expended in the suburban districts :

North Brewer.....	\$251 82
E. Avenue.....	37 50
S. Brewer.....	354 76
W. Hill.....	134 77
Lambert District.....	176 15
Kingsbury .....	211 85

The appropriation for the year 1894 was \$3,300.00. When I was elected to this office I found that \$195.29 of that amount had been expended by my predecessor.

I have received for the use of City Team the following amounts :

Cash from Sewer Department .....	\$39 00	
“ Mrs. Crowell (work at cemetery)...	14 00	
“ Cemetery Department.....	15 05	
“ N. E. Telegraph Co.....	16 50	
“ A. H. Gould.....	18 62	
“ Fire Department.....	4 00	
“ Contingent.....	4 40	
“ F. Gilbert, for old road machine and labor .....	17 00	
		\$128 57

Adding this to \$3,300 gives \$3,428.57.

The whole amount expended on the highway, including Street Commissioner's salary, engineer's bill, teamster's wages, board of team, repairs, &c., \$3,393.89, leaving in Treasury Feb. 28, 1895, \$34.68.

I found the Green Point road very much out of repair, and it was found necessary to turnpike and gravel it as far as our means would allow, which makes the amount expended in Kingsbury District show larger than usual.

I also found it necessary to rebuild the stone work of the bridge near Dunn's brickyard. As plank covering would last but five or six years, I decided to cover this bridge with granite, and for that purpose and the wall, I purchased \$59.40 worth of stone.

I have paid T. W. Baldwin \$125 for establishing street lines and I have set monuments on the streets surveyed.

I have kept the city team at work all the time, when the weather would permit, and during the winter they have hauled about 100 loads of gravel across the river to North Brewer to be used on the roads.

In conclusion I thank you for the assistance and support you have rendered me in the discharge of my duties during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. GOULD,

*Street Commissioner.*

Brewer, Feb. 28, 1895.

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CEMETERY.

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BREWER, Feb. 27, 1895.

*To the City Council:*

The Cemetery Committee respectfully submit the following report:

Appropriation for Oak Hill Cemetery.....	\$100 00
Paid Public Works Co. for water.....	\$10 00
S. H. Woodbury & Co. for pipe, etc.....	29 75
O. H. C. I. Association for repairs and improvements on streets and walks..	42 50
S. A. Hall for changing Barbour lot.....	7 00
O. H. C. I. Association for a fountain...	10 75
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	\$100 00

S. E. STONE, } Cemetery  
 L. V. GILMORE, } Committee.  
 D. A. SARGENT. }

## REPORT OF CITY UNDERTAKER.

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BREWER, Feb. 27, 1895.

*To the Mayor and City Council:*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith present the following report:

Number of deaths in city since March 8, 1894, up to date.....	77
Burials in city.....	65
Carried out for burial .....	26
Brought in.....	14

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. HALL,

*City Undertaker and Supt. Cemeteries.*

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## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

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*To th City Council:*

The city for the past year has been entirely free from epidemic.

A few mild cases of scarlet fever and two light cases of diphtheria have been reported. There have been no deaths from contagious diseases.

In accordance with the laws of the State, we, last spring, provided free vaccination. Four hundred, (400) mostly children, were vaccinated, at an expense of one hundred and forty-six dollars and forty-five cents, (\$146.45), a much larger sum than will probably be needed the present year.

As no provision is made for the expense incurred by the board, we suggest that a small appropriation be made for its use.

Last spring a much needed cesspool was completed on Cham-

berlain street, and a number of entrances were made on the line of the old sewer.

An extension of the sewer system to some part of the city is called for, and should be made as soon as possible.

The number of deaths as reported for the municipal year are seventy-seven, (77) which would be eighteen (18) to each thousand inhabitants.

Respectfully submitted,

I. GETCHELL, M. D., Chairman, } *Board of*  
W. H. GARDNER, Secretary, } *Health.*

Brewer, Feb. 28, 1895.

## REPORT OF CITY MARSHAL.

*To the Mayor and Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the following report for the year ending March 1, 1895:

Whole number of arrests, 82; drunkenness, 52; search and seizure, 7; single sale, 1; intoxicating liquors, 5; assault, 7; affray, 1; malicious mischief, 2; violating Lord's day, 1; tramps, 3; false alarm of fire, 3; common drunkard, 1.

I have paid the City Treasurer for services in arrests and commitments \$161.00. I have admitted nineteen to the lockup for shelter.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. FICKETT.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WATER SUPPLY.

BREWER, Feb. 28, 1895.

*To the City Council:*

The Committee on Water Supply submit the following report:  
The city has paid in the past year

For 29 hydrants, at \$40 each.....	\$1,160 00
5 school houses at \$30 each.....	150 00
City Hall.....	25 00
Engine House.....	5 00
City Farm buildings.....	13 00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$1,353 00</b>

C. H. FRENCH, } *Committee*  
C. R. BAKER, } *on*  
D. A. SARGENT, } *Water Supply.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

BREWER, Feb. 28, 1895.

*To the City Council:*

The Committee on Licenses submit this, their annual report for the year 1894.

Whole number of licenses granted, three, as follows:

Frank C. Patten, to run billiard and pool room.....	\$10 00
Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher, victualer.....	1 00

Total received for licenses..... \$11 00

Henry J. Leach was granted a license to erect and run a stationary steam engine, in his boat shop, on Wilson street, the power to be applied to machinery used in his business.

WM. C. STONE, } *Committee on Licenses.*  
S. E. STONE, }  
L. V. GILMORE, }



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STREET LIGHTS.

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*To the City Council :*

The Committee on Street Lights makes the following report, for the year ending March, 1895 : Amount appropriated for fourteen lights at \$6.25 per light for one month, \$1,050. By vote of the city council one light on Main street was changed, namely, the light at the foot of cemetery hill, being removed to the top of said hill. In the early part of the year many complaints were entered on account of the poor service ; since however, a change has been made in the method of trimming the lights, and good service has been the result. Your committee, considering the fact that the engine house on Parker street contains three-fourths of city fire apparatus, do think it should be properly lighted, do therefore recommend a light to be placed in the near vicinity as soon as possible.

CHAS. SARGENT, } *Committee*  
 C. R. BAKER, } *on*  
 WM. C. STONE, } *Street Lights.*

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## REPORT OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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BREWER, Me., March 1, 1895.

*To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Brewer :*

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to present to this body the annual report of the Brewer Fire Department for the year ending March 1, 1895.

The number of calls on the department during the year have been 5, (against 15 the year before,) with a total loss of less than \$150.

### PAY OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Engineer and Assistants.....	\$ 40 00
Engineer and Assistants of Engine.....	40 00

2 Hook and Ladder Companies, \$50 each . . . .	100 00	
4 Hose Companies, \$50 each . . . . .	200 00	
Janitor and Superintendent of Hose . . . . .	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$430 00

## EXPENDITURES.

E. & I. K. Stetson, coal . . . . .	\$ 6 37	
Water rent, engine house . . . . .	3 75	
H. C. Clapp, bill . . . . .	2 00	
E. L. Carlow, bill . . . . .	1 00	
E. E. Hussey, " . . . . .	52 06	
Z. M. Shaw, " . . . . .	3 00	
John Elliott, " . . . . .	5 45	
A. Saunders, painting engine house . . . . .	59 80	
F. C. Crocker, bill . . . . .	75	
Cornelius Callahan & Co., bill . . . . .	25 00	
Smith Mill Co., bill . . . . .	7 50	
S. H. Woodbury & Co., bill . . . . .	12 45	
A. A. Kenney, " . . . . .	1 78	
Street Department, " . . . . .	4 00	
S. F. Brown, " . . . . .	75	
S. A. Hall, " . . . . .	3 40	
T. G. Stickney, " . . . . .	10 00	
S. S. Sawyer, " . . . . .	18 87	
L. C. Young, " . . . . .	2 00	
Harlow Bros., " . . . . .	2 50	
J. E. Merritt, " . . . . .	5 50	
	<hr/>	\$227 93
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		\$657 93

Amount appropriated for Fire Department . . .	\$800 00	
Received of F. W. Ayer & Co. . . . .	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$815 00
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Unexpended balance . . . . .		\$158 07

## AMOUNT OF PROPERTY IN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engine House and Lot.....	\$2,500 00	
3 Hose Houses.....	700 00	
5 Hose Carts.....	640 00	
1 Steam Fire Engine .....	3,000 00	
4000 feet Cotton Hose.....	2,000 00	
Rubber Coats, Hose, Pipes, &c.....	275 00	
2 Hook and Ladder Carriages and Ladders.	600 00	
		\$9,715 00

C. A. HARLOW, *C. E. Brewer Fire Dept.*

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 REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.
 

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*To the City Council:*

We present our report for the municipal year as follows:

## ACCOUNT WITH ALMS HOUSE AND FARM.

To paid Public Works Co., water.....	12 25	
Superintendent's salary.....	200 00	
Young & Wentworth, supplies.....	49 99	
Kenny & McMahan.....	32 56	
<i>Repairs on Alms House:</i>		
H. B. Washburn, paint.....	17 50	
C. O. Farrington, hardware....	18 56	
C. A. Bennett, same.....	1 00	
E. Hussey, labor.....	10 61	
B. Eldridge, labor.....	12 25	
Rollins & Co., lumber.....	2 75	
Gould & Hastings, lumber.....	15 37	
Smith Mill Co.....	7 50	85 54
H. M. Farrington, pasture.....	6 00	
H. M. Farrington, wood .....	29 50	
S. H. Woodbury & Co.....	11 33	
B. B. Merrill, medicine .....	7 25	

To paid Harlow Bros., supplies.....	92 35	
H. C. Clapp,     “ .....	50 37	
L. V. Gilmore,  “ .....	13 63	
C. H. Glidden,  “ .....	26 72	
T. G. Stickney, coal.....	14 10	
Brewer Dry Goods Store.....	12 70	
J. Holbrook, supplies.....	45 55	
R. E. Jones, smith work.....	7 58	
W. H. Gardner, \$7.65, A. G. Ray, \$10	17 65	
N. H. Page, goods purchased.....	61 10	
	<hr/>	\$776 17

## CONTRA.

By am't rec'd for Talbot's board.....	50 00	
from H. M. Farrington, for board		
and clothing of Mary O'Neil,		
to Feb. 26.....	104 00	
for produce sold from farm.....	104 94	
	<hr/>	\$258 94
Cost of Farm and Alms house.....	517 23	
	<hr/>	\$776 17

## FARM, DR.

To am't paid for expenses.....	766 17	
stock on hand Feb. 1894.....	883 55	
	<hr/>	\$1,649 72

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By amount of credit to farm acc't....	258 94	
stock on hand Feb. '95.....	906 36	
	<hr/>	\$1,165 30
Balance against Farm and Alms house.....	\$484 42	

## INMATES OF ALMS HOUSE.

Frank Byther, Mary E. Byther, left April 2; Melvin Pratt, May 6; John McDonald, July 9; Mabel Bennett, Aug. 11, Matthias

Lambert, Oct. 28; Mary Kennedy, Dec. 31; Beals B. Talbot, died July 16.

Remaining — Enoch Archer, Frank Grenier, Simon Lint, Leander Deering, Hiram Mann, Mary B. Mann, Lavinia Torsey, Laura West, Nancy Wilson and Mary O'Neil.

COST OF POOR OUT OF ALMS HOUSE.

Paid for Isaac Sinclair.....	13 50
N. Wilson .....	28 01
Nelson Lewis.....	5 00
Estate of H. Eldridge .....	2 00
Burial unknown body.....	4 00
J. Carey.....	71 19
F. Byther.....	136 93
A. George.....	3 00
Hiram Mann.....	62 53
S. C. Hughes.....	62 70
expense to Gardiner.....	16 60
Fred H. Archer.....	16 00
Nelson Strong.....	18 80
Caroline Lambert.....	192 61
S. C. Grey.....	5 65
Mary Kennedy.....	10 50
James Morrison.....	10 10
Chauncy Peck.....	30 00
Frank Kiar.....	39 00
Frank E. Nye.....	87 53
J. W. Torrens.....	4 00
Henry Dannon.....	68 85
George Billington.....	34 88
James Ferguson.....	21 50
Johnson for care of child.....	14 50
Mrs. Le Clair.....	220 40
Mrs. Lucy Segar.....	28 00
Mr. Bolier .....	367 19
Charles Ryder.....	2 40
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	\$1,577 37

## CONTRA.

By amount paid for burial of unknown body..	\$ 4 00	
by town of Holden.....	3 00	
by town of Surry.....	26 50	
		33 50
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To expense of Alms House.....	\$ 517 23	\$1,543 87
“ “ “ Poor out of Alms House.....	1,543 87	
		<hr/> \$2,061 10

## SALARIES.

To salary of City Physician.....	\$100 00	
H. M. Farrington, service as Overseer....	24 00	
A. Y. Bolton, “ “ ....	24 00	
W. H. Gardner, “ “ ....	28 00	
		<hr/> \$176 00
Expense of Poor Department.....		\$2,237 10

As the cost of the insane poor properly comes under this department, we recommend that a separate appropriation equal to the cost of their maintenance be made.

Special attention has been paid to *farm* work the past year, and the farm is now in fine condition.

That one hundred dollars worth of farm and dairy produce was sold last season, speaks well for the efficient work, and skillful management of the Superintendent and his wife.

The cost of the poor for the municipal year is quite large, yet smaller than many of the towns and cities about us, in proportion to the population.

Outside of the Alms House the cost for the past year has been altogether out of proportion to that within, and we urge, in the interest of true economy, that additional room be provided the present year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. FARRINGTON,	} Overseers of Poor.
A. Y. BOLTON,	
W. H. GARDNER.	

Feb. 28, 1895.

## REPORT OF SEWER COMMITTEE.

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### *To the City Council:*

The Committee on Drains and Sewers herewith submit the following report:

There has been constructed by order of the council two cesspools and two chimneys or ventilators.

It was necessary to construct the one on Chamberlain street at the end of Washington street sewer (so called) of very large proportions as it not only takes the water from the street but must take in the brook also, as the end of said sewer was sealed up to prevent the gas from escaping; the inlet to cesspool is of greater proportions, and outlet is of same proportions as the sewer itself.

The other cesspool that was constructed is located on corner of Jordan and Center streets. This also is of large proportions as it is required not only to take the water from Jordan and Center streets but a large amount from the railroad also.

One of the chimneys or ventilators is located at end of sewer on Main street near Church; this provides a way to flush out the sewer and also the ventilator.

The other chimney or ventilator is located at end of sewer on Union street; this was very much needed as the sewer was about one third filled up and needed flushing very badly.

We have topped out several cesspools to make them conform to grade of street, and all cesspools have been cleaned out, and all dead ends of sewers flushed out where it was possible to reach them.

The drain on E. Summer street near the residence of Elisha Higgins was clogged and upon digging down we found there is no grade from E. Summer street to sewer which it enters; in fact, in some places the grade is up hill. This drain is and always has been a source of trouble, and in our opinion will be until some other way is provided for the residences to drain.

Appropriation.....	\$200 00	
Received sewer assessments.....	675 30	
		\$875 30

CONTRA.

Whole cost of cesspools, chimneys, flushing sewers, surveying, cleaning out cesspools for the year is.....	\$329 51	
T. W. Baldwin's bill, plan book 1893.....	45 50	
Unexpended balance sewer fund for the year.	500 29	
		\$875 30

H. T. SPARKS, } Committee  
 S. E. STONE, } on  
 CHAS. SARGENT. } Drains and Sewers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY.

BREWER, Feb. 28, 1895.

To the City Council:

The committee on City Property submit this, their annual report:

The following is schedule of property belonging to city:

City Hall, lot, furniture and fixtures.....	\$12,000 00
City farm and buildings.....	1,700 00
Two hearses and hearse houses.....	900 00
Four gravel lots.....	7,175 00

SCHOOL HOUSES AND LOTS.

The City owns twelve houses and eleven lots valued at \$31,200 00  
 For schedule of property belonging to street, fire and sewer department, see report of committees; also report of overseers of poor.

The City has received for rent of City Hall the present year..... \$369 00

C. H. FRENCH, } Committee.  
 S. E. STONE, }



## REPORT OF SCHOOL AGENT.

BREWER, Feb. 27, 1895.

*To the Mayor and City Council :*

In looking over the work in this department the past year I find that on account of limited means there has been but a small amount of repairing done. Taking out the supervisor's salary of three hundred dollars from the amount that I have to expend, it leaves but four hundred for all emergencies, and that is not sufficient for the real needed repairs. Many of the school rooms need new floors and desks. The ceiling in the Primary room of the High School building will have to be sheathed to insure safety to the scholars. The plastering which proves to be a heavy coat and rather heavily sanded, has commenced to fall off. I was obliged last summer to tack loose places with large tin headed tacks to prevent accidents, and I consider it unsafe as it now is and should be remedied as soon as possible. I would again speak of the old brick building, Mill Dam, so called, as being really unfit for occupancy, and it does seem as if the inhabitants in that part of the city are entitled to a more comfortable building. There being so many needed repairs there should be a new building at Mill Dam. I think it would be advisable to make a special appropriation of about fifteen hundred dollars, to be laid out by your school committee.

The amount expended last year is about as follows :

Repairs, including new desks and black boards.....	\$296 67
Supervisor's salary.....	300 00
Agent's labor, 30 days, 6 hrs., at \$2 per day.....	61 20
Woodbury & Co., bill for repairing boiler.....	25 61
Two school settees.....	7 60
Total .....	<u>\$691 08</u>

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. HALL,

*School Agent.*

# SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

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*To the Mayor and Aldermen :*

GENTLEMEN:—The whole number of children, in the city, of school age, taken last April, was found to be 1288. Taking the last fall term as a basis, the whole number attending school was 840; average attendance, 717; a gain of 81 in the whole number and 67 in the average. Thus it will be seen that our schools are rapidly filling up, and as is the ratio of increase so is the augmented expense to meet their needs.

## School Houses.

The majority of our school buildings may reasonably be a source of pride to our citizens; yet there are much needed improvements that ought to be made in some of them. It is possible that a postponement might be made for a while in part of them without serious injury to school welfare, but in my opinion it would be decidedly wrong to neglect the rest, more particularly the building occupied by the Brimmer Intermediate and Grammar schools. Details need not be given here. I hope that the early attention and action of the next council will be the means of securing such improvements as will be of great benefit to teachers and pupils.

## High School.

This school is in a flourishing and highly prosperous condition, and is worthy of the fullest confidence of every Brewer citizen. There is no better school of this grade within the limits of my knowledge. One young lady and several young men are taking the full college course and will graduate next June.

## Common Schools.

There have been two terms of ten weeks each and one of thirteen, in all thirty-three, during the past year.

Few changes have been made in teachers, believing it to be the much better policy to retain teachers in their work as long as possible, providing it is satisfactory. Our teachers are all happy in their several positions, are untiring, progressive and conscientious. Their year's work can be summed up by saying "Well done, good and faithful servants." I make this statement without fear of being accused of fulsome flattery. The amount of work accomplished during the year just closed has been large, and the results, grand. Parents need have no fear for the intellectual welfare of their children. The foundations are being well laid.

The school problem is growing more and more complicated every year. The labor of keeping everything pertaining thereto in satisfactory operation with the least possible friction is a task of no insignificant magnitude. If any one disposed to indulge in unfriendly criticism were to understand the actual condition of things, and would look at matters from the standpoint of those who have the work to do, I am sure that unkind words would never be spoken.

As Supervisor, I have endeavored to keep in touch with the ideas of the best educators. I have made frequent suggestions to teachers in the line of improved methods and have endeavored to encourage all in every effort to keep abreast with the times. I have great hopes for the future of Brewer schools.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

of the standing of the School Department for the municipal year ending Feb. 28, 1895.

### High School.

#### RECEIPTS.

Appropriation .....	\$1,300 00	
Received from State.....	250 00	
Tuition.....	34 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,584 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers.....	\$1,215 28	
Due teachers.....	201 39	
Fuel and janitor .....	149 98	
Graduating expenses.....	13 56	
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		\$1,580 21
Unexpended balance .....		<hr/>
		\$3 79

## Common Schools.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation .....	\$3,760 00	
Mill tax from State.....	3,213 26	
Interest on school fund.....	58 16	
Tuition .....	42 45	
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		\$7,073 87

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers .....	\$4,790 00	
Due teachers.....	837 50	
Fuel and janitors .....	1,151 85	
Due janitors.....	105 50	
Water service .....	150 00	
Supplies .....	23 50	
Conveyances .....	3 90	
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		\$7,062 25
Unexpended balance .....		<hr/>
		\$11 62

## Free Text Books.

## EXPENDITURES.

Books for High school.....	\$145 19	
Books for Common schools.....	386 95	
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		\$532 14

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation.....	\$500 00	
Books sold.....	3 16	
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		503 16
Overdrawn.....		<hr/>
		\$28 98

Respectfully submitted,  
 GEORGE CURTIS, *Supervisor.*

## TABULAR VIEW

Of the Schools and Teachers; also number of Pupils Registered,  
Average Attendance, Wages of Teachers, etc., 1894-95.

Location.	Names of Teachers.	Numbes of Pupils.	Average Attendance	Wages.
	<b>HIGH SCHOOL.</b>			
	SPRING TERM—12 WEEKS.			
	F. W. Freeman, Principal.....	47	43	\$1000 00 per yr.
	Fannie E. Lord, Assistant.....			450 00 "
	FALL TERM—14 WEEKS.			
	F. W. Freeman, Principal.....	60	56	\$1000 00 "
	Fannie E. Lord, Assistant.....			450 00 "
	WINTER TERM—10 WEEKS.			
	F. W. Freeman, Principal.....	53	45	\$1000 00 "
	Fannie E. Lord, Assistant.....			450 00 "
	<b>GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.</b>			
	SPRING TERM—10 WEEKS.			
Excelsior ...	Annie M. Ervine, Principal.....	57	53	\$12 00 per week
	Grace B. Woodbury, Assistant....			7 00 "
Brimmer ....	Annie L. Dooley, Principal .....	37	32	12 00 "
	Daisy M. Currier, Assistant .....			7 00 "
So. Brewer..	Maude W. Brewer, Principal.....	28	27	12 00 "
	Mary E. Neal, Assistant.....			7 00 "
	FALL TERM—13 WEEKS.			
Excelsior ....	Annie M. Ervine, Principal.....	56	54	12 00 "
	Grace B. Woodbury, Assistant....			7 00 "
Brimmer ....	Annie L. Dooley, Principal.....	49	45	12 00 "
	Daisy M. Currier, Assistant .....			7 00 "
	Eva R. Mutty, Principal.....	24	22	12 00 "
	Hattie C. Nickerson, Assistant, one-half each day .....			3 50 "

## TABULAR VIEW—Continued.

Location.	Name of Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Wages.
WINTER TERM—10 WEEKS.				
Excelsior ....	Annie M. Ervine, Principal.....	54	50	\$12 00 per week
	Grace B. Woodbury, Assistant....			7 00 "
Brimmer ....	Annie L. Dooley, Principal .....	38	36	12 00 "
	Daisy M. Currier, Assistant.....			7 00 "
	Eva R. Muttly, Principal.....	25	24	12 00 "
	Hattie C. Nickerson, Assistant, one-half each day .....			3 50 "
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.				
SPRING TERM—10 WEEKS.				
Page.....	Annie E. Mayhew, Principal.....	73	67	9 00 "
	Lilla E. Curtis, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ each day..			3 50 "
Brimmer ....	Eva R. Muttly.....	38	35	8 00 "
So. Brewer.	Mabel B. Reed.....	27	23	8 00 "
FALL TERM—13 WEEKS.				
Page .....	Annie E. Mayhew, Principal.....	67	62	9 00 "
	Lilla E. Curtis, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ each day..			3 50 "
Brimmer ....	Mary E. Neal, Principal.....	66	42	8 00 "
	Carolyn A. Stone, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ ea. day			3 50 "
So. Brewer.	Mabel B. Reed.....	49	42	8 00 "
WINTER TERM—10 WEEKS.				
Page .....	Annie E. Mayhew, Principal.....	65	58	9 00 "
	Lilla E. Curtis, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ each day..			3 50 "
Brimmer ....	Mary E. Neal, Principal.....	54	47	8 00 "
	Carolyn A. Stone, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ ea. day			3 50 "
So. Brewer.	Mabel B. Reed.....	44	39	8 00 "
PRIMARY SCHOOLS.				
SPRING TERM—10 WEEKS.				
Excelsior. ....	Ella H. Bolton, Principal .....	76	71	7 50 "
	Grace E. Sargent, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ ea. day			3 00 "
Page.....	Mary G. Barker, Principal.....	88	74	7 50 "
	Laura A. Tefft, Ass't $\frac{1}{2}$ each day..			3 00 "
Brimmer ....	Alice W. Gilman, Principal.....	92	80	7 50 "
	Alice M. Hodgkins, Assistant....			5 50 "
	Francis F. Sargent, No. 1.....	55	44	7 00 "
So. Brewer.	Edith E. Billington, No. 2.....	53	41	7 00 "
	Josephine Hook, No.3.....	45	35	7 00 "

## TABULAR VIEW—Continued.

Location.	Names of Teachers.	Number of Pupils	Average Attendance	Wages.
FALL TERM—13 WEEKS.				
Excelsior ....	Ella H. Bolton, Principal.....	62	56	\$7 50 per week
	Grace E. Sargent, Ass't $\frac{2}{3}$ ea. day			4 00 "
Page.....	Mary G. Barker, Principal.....	68	58	7 50 "
	Laura A. Tefft, Ass't $\frac{2}{3}$ ea. day....			4 00 "
Brimmer ....	Alice W. Gilman, Principal.....	73	63	7 50 "
	Josephine Holyoke, Assistant.....			5 50 "
	Francis F. Sargent, No. 1.....	53	42	7 00 "
So. Brewer.	Edith E. Billington, No. 2.....	56	54	7 00 "
	Josephine Hook, No. 3.....	48	36	7 00 "
WINTER TERM—10 WEEKS.				
Excelsior. ...	Ella H. Bolton, Principal.....	56	49	7 50 "
	Grace E. Sargent, Ass't $\frac{2}{3}$ ea. day			4 00 "
Page .....	Mary G. Barker, Principal.....	68	51	7 50 "
	Laura A. Tefft, Ass't $\frac{2}{3}$ ea. day....			4 00 "
Brimmer r....	Alice W. Gilman, Principal.....	72	62	7 50 "
	Alice M. Hodgkins, Assistant.....			5 50 "
	Francis F. Sargent, No. 1.....	46	40	7 00 "
So. Brewer.	Edith E. Billington, No. 2.....	45	40	7 00 "
	Josephine Hook, No. 3.....	53	49	7 00 "
UNGRADED SCHOOLS.				
SPRING TERM—10 WEEKS.				
No. Brewer.	Annie M. Roberts.....	38	31	7 00 "
Mill Dam....	Jennie L. Farrington.....	24	20	6 00 "
Lambert ....	Blanche Burton.....	7	7	5 00 "
Whiting Hill	Alice M. Washburn.....	19	13	6 00 "
Kingsbury.	Annie M. White.....	31	20	6 00 "
FALL TERM.				
No. Brewer.	Annie M. Roberts,.....	30	26	7 00 "
Mill Dam....	Jennie L. Farrington.....	23	18	6 00 "
Lambert....	Blanche Burton.....	7	6	5 00 "
Whiting Hill	Alice M. Washburn.....	18	13	6 00 "
Kingsbury..	Annie M. White.....	25	21	6 00 "
WINTER TERM—10 WEEKS.				
No. Brewer	Annie M. Roberts.....	25	23	7 00 "
Mill Dam....	Jennie L. Farrington.....	22	19	6 00 "
Whiting Hill	Winnie V. French.....	19	17	6 00 "
Kingsbury..	Annie M. White .....	27	23	6 00 "

## Common School Books.

Date of Contract. Introduction.		Time of expiration of Contract.
1884?	Barnes' Readers, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,	Expired.
1891	Barnes' Elementary Geography,	No contract.
1894	Warren's Brief Course in Geography,	Jan. 1899.
1885	Blaisdell's Our Bodies and How We Live,	Readopted '90.
1890	Blaisdell's How to Keep Well,	May 27, 1895.
1892	Greenleaf's Arithmetic, First Lessons, Brief Course, Complete,	Sept. 15, 1897.
1890	New Franklin Readers, 1, 2, 3, 4,	No contract.
1890	Metcalf's Spelling and Language Book,	May 27, 1895.
1890	Hyde's Language Lessons, three books,	June, 11, 1895.
1890	Eggleton's School History,	Sept. 5, 1895.
1889	Meservey's Single Entry Book-keeping,	No contract.

## High School Books.

1883?	Steele's Zoology (Revised),	No contract.
1884?	Greenleaf's Algebra,	"
1889	Collar & Daniel's Latin Book,	June 10, 1894.
"	Lockwood's English Lessons,	"
"	Allen & Greenough's Latin Grammar,	"
"	Montgomery's English History,	"
"	Montgomery's French History,	"
"	Goodwin's Greek Grammar,	"
"	White's Greek Lessons,	"
"	Cooley's New Chemistry,	No contract.
"	Gray's School and Field Botany (Revised),	"
"	Shaw's English Literature (Revised),	"
1890	Gage's Elements of Physics,	July 14, 1895.
"	Wentworth's Plain and Solid Geometry,	"
"	Allen & Greenough's Cæsar,	"
"	Young's Government Class Book,	No contract.
"	Edgren's French Grammar,	"
"	Worman's First French Book,	"
"	Sheldon's Greek and Roman History,	Oct. 10, 1895.
1891	Barnes' Roman History,	Sept. 1896.
1892	Myer's Greek History,	" 1897.
"	Allen & Greenough's Cicero,	" "
1894	Bowen's Astronomy,	" 1899.
"	Collar's Latin Prose Composition,	" "
"	Woodruff's Greek Prose Composition,	" "
1895	Warren's Physical Geography,	Jan. 1900.



## High School Course.

## FIRST YEAR.

FALL.	{ College,	{ English Composition, Latin, Algebra.
	{ Literary,	{ " " " "
	{ Scientific,	{ " " " "
WINT.	{ College,	{ Latin, Algebra, Greek History,
	{ Literary,	{ " " " "
	{ Scientific,	{ Zoology, " " "
SPRING.	{ College,	{ Latin (Cæsar), Algebra, Roman History.
	{ Literary,	{ " " " "
	{ Scientific,	{ Bôtany, " "

## SECOND YEAR.

FALL.	{ College,	{ Latin (Cæsar), Geometry, Greek Grammar and Lessons.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin " English History.
	{ Scientific,	{ Astronomy, " " "
WINT.	{ College,	{ Latin (Cæsar), Geometry, Greek Grammar and Lessons.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin " Eng. History.
	{ Scientific,	{ Astronomy, " " "
SPRING.	{ College,	{ Latin (Cicero), Geometry, Greek Grammar and Lessons.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin " French History.
	{ Scientific,	{ Physical Geography, Geometry, French History.

## THIRD YEAR.

FALL.	{ College,	{ Latin (Cicero), Xenophon, Rhetoric and Eng. Selections.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin French Rhetoric.
	{ Scientific,	{ Chemistry, French and Rhetoric.
WINT.	{ College,	{ Latin, (Cicero,) Xenophon, Rhetoric and Eng. Selections,
	{ Literary,	{ Latin French, Rhetoric.
	{ Scientific,	{ Chemistry French, Rhetoric.
SPRING.	{ College,	{ Latin (Review), Xenophon, Review, Arithmetic.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin, French, Civil Government, and Eng Selections.
	{ Scientific,	{ Arithmetic, French, <del>Civil Government.</del> <i>Geology.</i>

## FOURTH YEAR.

FALL.	{ College,	{ Latin (Virgil), Illiad, English Literature.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin, French, English Literature.
	{ Scientific,	{ Physics, French, " "
WINT.	{ College,	{ Latin, (Virgil), Illiad, English Literature.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin French, " "
	{ Scientific,	{ Physics, French, English Literature.
SPRING.	{ College,	{ General Reviews in Latin, Greek, Algebra, etc.
	{ Literary,	{ Latin (Virgil), French, English Literature.
	{ Scientific,	{ Physics, French, English Literature.

**Primary.****BEGINNERS.**

*Reading.*—New Franklin, First Reader.

*Spelling.*—Easy words, giving careful attention to vowel sounds.

*Writing.*—Tracing words, and forming letters on black-board; also on paper with pencil.

*Number.*—Teach combinations of numbers from 1 to 10. Use numeral frame and number cards.

*Language.*—Familiar talks upon lesson subjects, requiring answers in complete sentences.

Teachers are expected to make use of as many Kindergarten methods, during this year, as are practicable.

**FIRST GRADE.**

*Reading.*—Second Reader, New Franklin.

*Spelling.*—From reading lessons.

*Writing.*—Daily exercises in writing words and sentences on black-board; also with paper and pencil.

*Arithmetic.*—Greenleaf's First Lessons. Drill in addition and subtraction. Roman notation to 100.

*Language.*—Use of capital letters, punctuation marks, lesson stories.

**SECOND GRADE.**

*Reading.*—Third Reader, New Franklin.

*Spelling.*—From reading lessons.

*Writing.*—Ginn's copy book, with pencil, twice a week.

*Arithmetic.* Drill in addition and subtraction with thorough learning of multiplication table. Roman notation to 100,000.

*Language.*—Lesson stories, letter writing, stories from pictures.

**THIRD GRADE.**

*Reading.*—Third Reader and Æsop's Fables.

*Spelling.*—From reading books, requiring written tests once a week. Use diacritical marks.

*Writing.*—Ginn's copy book, with pencil, twice a week.

*Arithmetic.*—Finish Greenleaf's First Lessons, with thorough drill in long division. Teach simple fractions with diagrams.

*Language.*—Reproduction of stories. Letter writing.

*Geography.*—Barnes' Elementary.

### Intermediate.

#### FOURTH GRADE.

*Reading.*—Barnes' Fourth Reader. Thorough drill in sounds of vowels and diacritical marks.

*Spelling.*—Written Lessons from spelling books and oral from reader.

*Writing.*—Written lessons in language work. Once a week spend an hour in writing in copy book, teaching correct position, easy movements and proper construction of letters.

*Arithmetic.*—Review the four fundamental processes; careful analysis of problems; United States money, and simple work in denominate numbers.

*Geography.*—Review work done in Primary school and continue to Europe. Map drawing. Impart and encourage the seeking for information regarding the countries and the people about which pupils are studying.

*Language.*—Principle kinds of sentences, punctuation, arrangement of words, etc. Lessons from Language Chart and Metcalf's Speller. Stories, oral or written, original or reproduced, and letter writing.

#### FIFTH GRADE.

*Reading.*—Barnes' Fourth Reader. Review vowel sounds and practice consonant sounds. Learn the meaning of accent marks, and practice inflection.

*Spelling.*—Continue as in Fourth Grade.

*Writing.*—Continuation of work as in preceding year.

*Arithmetic.*—Review U. S. money, bills and accounts, factors, divisors, multiples and cancellation, easy work in common fractions, analysis of oral and written problems.

*Geography.*—Complete Barnes' Elementary and review if not already done, commencing Warren's Brief Course the second

term. Third term review and advance as far as United States. Map drawing.

*Language*.—Lessons from Hyde's Language book, dictation exercises, stories, letter writing, etc.

## SIXTH GRADE.

*Reading*.—New Franklin Fourth Reader and Swiss Family Robinson.

*Writing*.—In copy book.

*Arithmetic*.—Take Complete Arithmetic, review factoring, greatest common divisor, multiples and cancellation. Take common and decimal fractions.

*Geography*.—Continue work in Warren's Brief Course to South America.

*Language*.—Remaining lessons in Hyde's Language Book I, and continue work as in fifth grade.

*Physiology*.—Blaisdell's How to Keep Well.

## Grammar.

## SEVENTH GRADE.

*Reading*.—Barnes' Fifth Reader.

*Geography*.—Warren's Brief Course, from British America to Africa.

*Arithmetic*.—From denominate numbers to percentage, including compound numbers and measurements.

*Language*.—Lessons in Hyde's Language Book II, as far as the supplement, with additional work given by the teacher.

*Spelling*.—A daily lesson, oral or written at the discretion of the teacher.

## EIGHTH GRADE.

*Reading*.—Barnes' Fifth Reader.

*Geography*. Finish and review the text book, with such additional work as reference books provided will permit.

*Language*.—Finish and review text book with outside exercises.

*History.*—U. S. History to Monroe's Administration.

*Arithmetic.*—Percentage and its applications, interest, including annual and compound and partial payments, to bank discount.

*Spelling.*—As in Seventh Grade.

#### NINTH GRADE.

*Reading.*—Stories of the Civil War and Lady of the Lake.

*Arithmetic.*—Finish and review text book.

*Book-keeping.*—Meservey's Single Entry, second and third terms.

*History.*—Complete and review text book in Fall term.

*Physiology.*—Blaisdell's Our Bodies, Winter and Spring terms.

*Grammar.*—Hyde's Advanced Lessons.

*Spelling.*—As in Grade Seven.